INTERNATIONAL STUDENT INFORMATION & GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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INFORMATION AND UPDATES ON INTERNATIONAL STUDENT POLICIES
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT INFORMATION (ISS)

- Reduced Course Load
- Online Registration
- STEM Update
- CPT Registration Requirements
- Engaging with Departments
OGIO Objectives

- **Support departments’ international recruitment efforts**

- **Leverage existing resources for international student recruitment, support, and engagement across campus**

- **Promote international engagement and other opportunities for current students**
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT UF

• Fall 2015 – 3,907 Active International Graduate Students
  • 1,738 Doctoral Students
  • 2,222 Master’s Students

• Graduate Students from 114 Countries

• 12,000-13,000 International Graduate Applicants for the Last 5 Years
Top 20 Countries in Applications, Fall 2016

- China
- India
- Korea
- Iran
- Saudi Arabia
- Taiwan
- Turkey
- Bangladesh
- Nigeria
- Kuwait
- Canada
- Puerto Rico
- Brazil
- Nepal
- Colombia
- Pakistan
- Vietnam
- Ghana
- Chile
- Indonesia
SUPPORT DEPARTMENTS’ INTERNATIONAL RECRUITMENT EFFORTS

- ADMISSIONS COORDINATION FOR SPONSORED AND OTHER TARGETED APPLICANTS
  - Fulbright – workshop on admitting Fulbrighters; tentative date: February 16, 2017 in UFIC large conference room, 10:00-11:00 AM

- ASSIST WITH IDENTIFICATION OF STUDENT FUNDING SOURCES
UF Stakeholders in Admissions Process
**Sponsored Students at UF**

- 233 sponsored graduate students in 2015. Sponsors include:
  - Foreign governments (SENESCYT in Ecuador)
  - Foreign universities (King Saud University)
  - US government (Fulbright/USAID)
  - US or foreign private sponsor (national or international corporation/employer)

- Sponsoring countries include:
  - All of South America
  - The Middle East (Saudi Arabia, Kuwait)
Support Departments’ International Recruitment Efforts

- Development of International Recruitment tools
- Engagement in collaborative recruitment travel
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SUPPORT DEPARTMENTS’ INTERNATIONAL RECRUITMENT EFFORTS

COLLABORATIVE RECRUITMENT TRAVEL WITH ADMISSIONS, COLLEGES, & ELI

- **Face to face**: Recruitment fairs and University visits in Africa, Asia & South America
- **Internet**: Webinars, SKYPE
FACTORS IMPACTING RECRUITMENT TRAVEL

FOR EXISTING MARKETS

• Evidence of ability to find qualified applicants (percentage of applicants admitted)
• Evidence of fit for students at UF (percentage of admits enrolled)

FOR NEW MARKETS

• Countries providing competitive fellowships
• Growing college-age populations, with a need for improved faculty, or with strong institutions interested in collaboration
• Countries where UF has a small, committed expertise
LEVERAGE EXISTING RESOURCES FOR INTERNATIONAL RECRUITMENT

• SUPPORT FOR COLLABORATIVE DEGREE PROGRAMS

• SUPPORT CROSS-CAMPUS NETWORKING FOR GRADUATE STUDENT RECRUITMENT
LEVERAGE EXISTING RESOURCES FOR INTERNATIONAL RECRUITMENT

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH ADVISORY COUNCIL (IOAC)
• First meeting in spring 2014; comprised of faculty and staff interested in recruitment of international students
• Venue for networking/sharing outreach & recruitment initiatives/opportunities
• Fall meeting: (Tentative date) Nov. 9

INTERNATIONAL RECRUITMENT WORKING GROUP (IRWG)
• Meets to coordinate recruitment efforts between active units on campus who travel to foreign recruitment fairs or visits to foreign institutions
LEVERAGE EXISTING RESOURCES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT AND ENGAGEMENT

- **UF INTERNATIONAL INITIATIVES TEAM (UFIIT)**
  - interdisciplinary group; over 15 departments/units
  - (CWC, UFIC, CRC, Housing and Graduate Education, Graduate School, UFPD, Student Legal Services)
  - collaborating together to support international students & UF globalization efforts

- **INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD (IGSAB)**
  - another voice for international graduate students
  - opportunity for development of leadership skills
  - Initiative of UFIIT partners
DOCTORAL STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

• Three Minute Thesis Competition (3MT)
  - Next competition scheduled for Fall 2017
DOCTORAL STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

• Teaching & Research at International Summer School – Univ. de La Sabana, Colombia (Int’l School of Economic and Administrative Sciences) – all expenses paid; 2 weeks in June

• Other institutions in Chile, Colombia and Ecuador

• Other opportunities: GROW, etc.

• Challenges: funding; timing; Advisor involvement
INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Fulbright

- Workshop for US Student Fulbright Programs, November 17th, 3:00 PM, UFIC large conference room
STUDENT ENGAGEMENT THROUGH OGRE
OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH OGRE

- Research Abroad for Graduate Students (RAGS)
  - Open to doctoral candidates in STEM
  - Funds dissertation research travel
  - Information session on September 23rd at 3:30pm in UFIC large conference room

- Global Fellows Program (Faculty support)
  - Information sessions on September 28th at 4:00 p.m. & September 29th at 10:00 a.m. in UFIC large conference room
THANK YOU!!

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