

## GLOBAL LEARNING

Washington's universities and colleges are placing global learning at the heart of their educational missions, demonstrate considerable creativity, and offer an impressive array of programs that span the globe. Assessing Washington's institutions of higher education is a critical first step towards developing benchmarks and evaluating progress in our capacity to grow a global citizenry that can benefit themselves, the state and the world. Our findings suggest that Washington's universities and colleges are rising to the challenge of preparing their students with the global competencies needed to thrive in the 21st century.

### GLOBAL LEARNING & HIGHER EDUCATION: INSTITUTIONS INCLUDED

- 2 research universities: University of Washington and Washington State University
- 4 comprehensive universities: Central Washington University, Eastern Washington University, Western Washington University and the Evergreen State College
- 1 federally funded college: Northwest Indian College
- 34 public community and technical colleges
- 12 independent liberal arts institutions: City University of Seattle, Gonzaga University, Heritage University, Northwest University, Pacific Lutheran University, Saint Martin's University, Seattle Pacific University, Seattle University, Trinity Lutheran College, University of Puget Sound, Whitman College, Whitworth College

### GLOBAL PRESENCE AND PARTNERSHIPS

Several Washington institutions have invested in developing a formal presence around the world. This network of global ties offers a rich opportunity for student learning and a resource for all of Washington's citizens.

- Study abroad, collaborative research and/or campuses in 95 countries
- University partnerships in 45 countries

### INTERNATIONAL CURRICULA, OUTREACH AND RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS<sup>1</sup>

College campuses across the state are offering more and more students opportunities to make global connections and foster inter-cultural understandings through learning and discovery. Schools' mission statements and international learning goals underline the importance of training global citizens. These goals and missions are implemented through internationally-focused curricula, outreach and research

#### Curricula

- 200 international degree programs & majors
- 50 study abroad programs delivered by Washington institutions
- 26 programs exclusively for incoming international students

#### Outreach

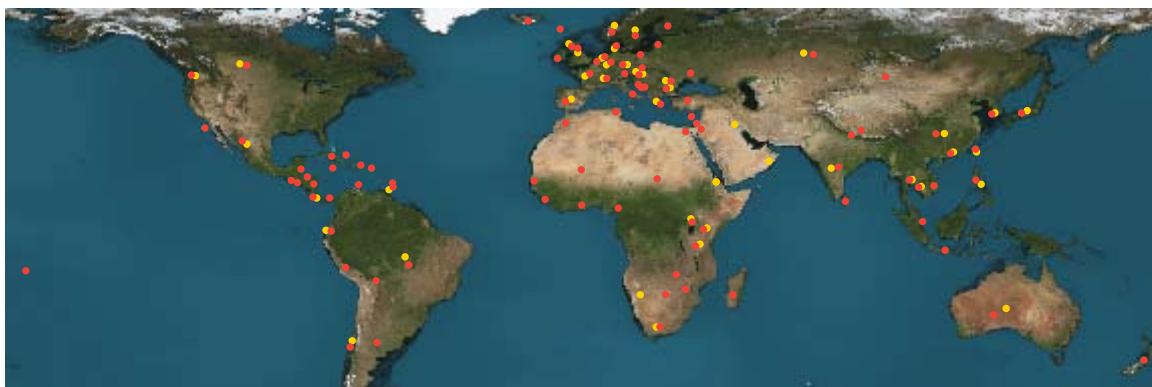
- 18 international service learning programs
- 29 international resource centers
- 20 international outreach programs

#### Research

- 44 international research institutes

<sup>1</sup>The numbers presented here are absolute minimums. Not all schools were able to contribute directly to this report through interviews and feedback.

### Washington's Global Learning Presence



● Study Abroad/Research/Campuses ● University Partners

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Global learning in Washington takes a variety of forms: from highly institutionalized international campuses and field studies, to less institutionalized faculty-led study abroad programs and partnerships with universities around the world. Some Washington campuses have set ambitious goals to have 50% of their students go abroad; others have established degree programs that require international language acquisition, courses, study

abroad, or service learning. In all cases, Washington's higher education programs consider global learning to be more than educational tourism. Emblematic programs offer students opportunities to learn about the global forces that affect everyday lives, experiences that allow them to make global interconnections in local settings different from those of their own communities, and develop the competencies needed to engage productively both locally and globally.

### Global Learning Highlights

- [Biodiversity and Conservation Field School in China](#) prepares students with environmental expertise – [CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY](#)
- [Campuses in Canada, Europe, China and Latin America](#) train students in international stewardship and bring American style education to adult learners throughout the world – [CITY UNIVERSITY OF SEATTLE](#)
- [International Field Studies Program](#) links global experiences to complementary coursework, enhancing global perspectives – [EASTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY](#)
- [Fundación CIMAS del Ecuador](#) is a collaborative effort committed to the study of Ecuador's environment, economic development and health issues – [EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE](#)
- [Study abroad course to Zambia](#) allows students to study child psychology and chimpanzees – [GONZAGA UNIVERSITY](#)
- [Students in Free Enterprise](#) have developed microenterprise efforts in Mexico and savings programs among local middle-schoolers – [HERITAGE UNIVERSITY](#)
- [The National Indian Center for Marine Environmental Research and Education](#) a partnership across and outside the native community, offers students first-class research opportunities – [NORTHWEST INDIAN COLLEGE](#)
- [International Service Learning Program](#) gives students a month-long opportunity for faculty-led global study – [PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY](#)
- [Seattle Pacific Reachout International Outreach Program](#) offers global cross-cultural education and service trips for faculty, staff students and alumni with the goal of transforming their lives for life-long, globally-minded service – [SEATTLE PACIFIC UNIVERSITY](#)
- [International Development Internship Program](#) instills a deep understanding and lifelong commitment to global service and the promotion of social justice – [SEATTLE UNIVERSITY](#)
- [The Intercultural Studies Program](#) trains students to "think globally," doing intercultural and global work in ways that allow students to respond to their own contexts and diverse communities – [TRINITY LUTHERAN COLLEGE](#)
- [The Pacific Rim/Asia Study Program](#) ties together work on campus with an academic program abroad and an independent research project around the Pacific Rim and Asia – [UNIVERSITY OF PUGET SOUND](#)
- [The UW Tri-Campus Human Rights Minor](#) is an interdisciplinary approach to human rights study that combines philosophy, politics, economics, culture and the law – [UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON](#)
- [The UW Tacoma Global Honors Program](#) gives students in all majors the opportunity to learn about global issues and how the needs of the Pacific Northwest integrate with the needs of the world – [UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON](#)
- [The Department of Global Health](#) is dedicated to the goal of establishing sustainable improvements in global health – [UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON](#)
- [The Center for Sustainable Agriculture & Natural Resources](#) fosters approaches to agriculture & natural resource stewardship that are economically viable, environmentally sound, and socially responsive. – [WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY](#)
- [The Global Studies Minor](#) gives students unique opportunities to incorporate cross-disciplinary global training into their selected majors – [WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY](#)
- [The Kefalonia Program in Sustainable Community Development](#) is a multi-disciplinary applied studies curriculum with experiential, project-based learning taking place on the island of Kefalonia in Greece – [WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY](#)
- [The Whitman Summer Studies in China Program](#) is a six-week program taught jointly by Whitman and Yunnan University in Kunming. It combines language with cultural study, travel, and home-stays – [WHITMAN COLLEGE](#)
- [The School of Global Commerce and Management](#) has more than a dozen relationships with overseas institutions, brings many international students to campus, and integrates internships, mentorship and service learning programs – [WHITWORTH COLLEGE](#)
- [The Aviation Maintenance Technology Program](#) is a technical skills program tailored specifically for Vietnam's airlines – [SOUTH SEATTLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE](#)
- [Study abroad grant program](#) helps develop faculty-led study abroad – [SHORELINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE](#)
- [International Business Professional Certificates](#) offer training tailored for Japanese, South Korean, Turkish and Egyptian students – [BELLEVUE COMMUNITY COLLEGE](#)