Internationalization of Harper College

International Studies and Programs
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Where in the world have you traveled?
What is “internationalization”?
The “internationalization” of a college campus is the process of integrating an international and intercultural dimension into the educational experience of all students.

This process involves a variety of activities, including
• Infusion of international content in the curricula
• International movement of students and faculty
• Establishment of international partnerships
Why is “international education” important?

• Increases individuals' skills and employability
• Contributes to workforce development
• Transforms students into better informed, productive, creative, and culturally competent citizens
• Facilitates multilateral research
• Promotes diplomatic ties and mutual understanding
International Students
Two Types of Study Abroad Programs:

• Full-Semester abroad (four courses)
• Short-term (individual courses)
Illinois Consortium for International Studies & Programs (ICISP):
• Salzburg, Austria
• Canterbury, England
• Sevilla, Spain
• Carlow, Ireland
• Xi’an, PR China
• Summer Programs:
  • San Jose, Costa Rica
  • Sienna, Italy
  • Kyoto, Japan

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Students currently studying abroad
Examples of Individual Study Abroad Courses:

• HUM 115: From Paris to Madrid (2012)
  Professors Stephany Rimland & Karen Patterson

• SOC 205: Social Problems (London, 2013)
  Professor James Gramlich

• BIO 150: Field Studies class (Costa Rica, 2012 and 2013)
  Professor Craig Stettner
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BIO 150 Costa Rica

Craig Stettner, Associate Professor-Biology
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  • DePaul University, Economics Major
  • Harper College Study Abroad Alumnus
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Thank You!

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