A Global University

The Ohio State University is committed to becoming a preeminent global university—one which prepares its students and faculty to actively participate in knowledge-based collaborations around the world.

As one of America’s finest public universities, ranked in the top 20 best public research universities in the U.S. by U.S. News & World Report, we strive to build a foundation that will integrate international dimensions with every facet of the institution, to pursue international partnerships, as well as collaborate on the solution of local and global issues based on Ohio State’s expertise.

To solidify Ohio State’s commitment to enhancing its global interactions, the university has developed the following international strategies: increase the percentage of international faculty and students, promote scholarship on the major global issues, create international dual degree programs, promote collaboration with Ohio’s international business ventures, develop an international physical presence and increase the international experience for undergraduate, graduate and professional students.

Global Gateways

As universities across the nation prepare their students to excel in the global marketplace, Ohio State is implementing a strategy that will integrate international dimensions into its teaching, research and engagement mission. As part of that strategy, Ohio State opened a Gateway office in the downtown business district of Shanghai, China (February 2010), in the central business district of Mumbai, India (March 2012) and in the Moema business district of São Paulo, Brazil (September 2014). Ohio State continues to examine additional opportunities in Turkey, sub-Saharan Africa and Europe.

India Gateway

The India Gateway, located in Mumbai, is in an area of the world that capitalizes on the strengths of Ohio State’s growing global connections and advances the university’s teaching, research and engagement mission. When fully operational, the Gateway will be a multi-faceted center that capitalizes on the strengths of the university’s growing connections around the world, providing Ohio State with a:

- Base of operations for faculty research, teaching and international partnerships with Indian educational institutions
- Center to help the university explore partnerships with international corporations
- Portal for study abroad opportunities
- Location for international student recruitment
- Point of contact to strengthen connections between Ohio State students, faculty, alumni and friends of the university in Ohio and India

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Leadership

Gifty Ako-Adounvo is assistant vice-provost for global strategies and international affairs at Ohio State. Her work at the university is dedicated to fully integrating international and multicultural experiences to the academic units within the university and expanding and enhancing our global reach.

Ratnesh Bhattacharya, a 2011 graduate of the Moritz College of Law at The Ohio State University, serves as Director of the Ohio State India Gateway. Based in Mumbai, Bhattacharya focuses on developing a global network of Ohio State alumni, facilitating academic and institutional partnerships, and implementing the International Corporate Partnership Program, designed to connect the resources and talent housed at Ohio State with corporations in India and beyond.

International Corporate Sponsorship Program

Ohio State has been collaborating with respected universities in India since 1958, focusing on advancements in educational training and agricultural research. Now, Ohio State’s presence in Mumbai helps the university explore partnerships with international corporations to increase collaboration on a global level, connecting students and faculty with foreign corporations in India as well as Ohio-based businesses.

The International Corporate Partnership Program provides workforce training and education, customizable to the needs of our corporate partners, and career placement to share emerging talent with international workforces. The program also offers consultation services, designed to reach innovative solutions and introduce new global partners to Ohio State’s tradition of excellence in research, well as Ohio-based businesses.

About Ohio State

The Ohio State University is recognized as one of America’s largest and most comprehensive institutions of higher education with a top-rated academic medical center and a premier cancer hospital and research center. On the campus in Columbus, Ohio, more than 58,000 students select from 200 undergraduate majors and 250 master’s, doctoral and professional degree programs. More than 6,000 of the students attending the Columbus campus come from outside the United States.

The university’s total research expenditures in 2014 reached $983 million. Ohio State ranks third among all U.S. universities in industry-sponsored research, according to the National Science Foundation.

The university’s annual operating budget is close to $5 billion, and its research prowess attains world-class status in critical areas such as global climate change, cancer, infectious disease, advanced materials and ag-bio products.

Founded as a federal land-grant institution in 1870, the university has awarded 712,512 degrees since 1878 (through August 2015). Its legacy extends to more than 500,000 living alumni.

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