

# OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

# **International Partnerships**

#### **OVERVIEW**

The Office of International Affairs facilitates the advancement of a wide variety of institutional collaborations across the globe. These partnerships often result in formal international agreements that partner Ohio State colleges, departments, institutes and units with universities, governmental and non-profit organizations and corporations abroad to advance scholarship, student mobility and innovative research.

Ohio State manages close to 200 active international agreements in 48 countries across six continents. All 15 colleges are actively engaged in international collaboration.

#### INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

International agreements include a wide array of activities that range from the exchange of materials and literature to research engagements to faculty and scholar exchange to hosting joint workshops and symposia, as well as the exploration of potential education abroad opportunities.

In fostering the development of international agreements across the university, the Office of International Affairs liaises with the offices of Legal Affairs, Business and Finance, Export Control, Technology and Digital Innovation and Economic Development to ensure compliance with university policies, and state, local and federal laws.

# Types of agreements

- Memorandum of Understanding
- Memorandum of Agreement
- Faculty and Student Exchange Agreements
- Service Agreements
- Hosting Agreements
- Research Collaborations







### **SERVICES**

To facilitate international agreements, the Office of International Affairs' Global Gateways and International Partnerships units work together to advance successful collaborations. The Global Gateways are Ohio State's liaison offices in Shanghai, Mumbai and São Paulo, and provide a strong network for university partnerships.

# Services include

- Connect international institutions, NGOs, corporations and other entities with Ohio State faculty working on similar research or corporate (executive education, training programs) ventures
- Inform Ohio State researchers about opportunities to conduct their work internationally
- Provide guidance on local and regional collaborators abroad
- Oversee the drafting and implementation of academic agreements with international partners
- Maintain a database of all active and expired international agreements
- Report on the projects and achievements resulting from international agreements

# **GLOBAL NETWORK**

In addition to the Global Gateway offices, the Office of International Affairs has increased its reach across Europe through additional Erasmus+ projects and has recently joined the research consortium, SGroup - Universities in Europe.

SGroup is a non-profit organization spanning 23 European countries and six countries outside of Europe. Its mission is to support education and research of the highest quality and to facilitate researcher mobility within its network. Ohio State is its first North American partner.

#### SIGNIFICANT PARTNERSHIPS

A few notable partnerships that involve multiple colleges and international agreements include Tata Management and Training Center (India), Tampere University (Finland), University of São Paulo (Brazil), Wuhan University (China), and the University of Tsukuba (Japan). These partnerships highlight the significant engagement Ohio State has and demonstrates broad academic and co-curricular involvement across the university.

#### INTERNATIONAL VISITORS

Ohio State welcomes international delegations to campus for short-term visits in order to develop mutually beneficial partnerships, explore research and educational collaborations and share knowledge and expertise with institutions of higher education and government entities around the globe.

# **CONNECT**



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