



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA  
**BOARD OF REGENTS POLICY**

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**INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION,  
RESEARCH, AND OUTREACH**

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**SECTION I. SCOPE.**

This policy governs international education, research, and outreach activities of the students, faculty, and staff of the University of Minnesota (University).

**SECTION II. GUIDING PRINCIPLES.**

This policy affirms the commitment of the Board of Regents (Board) to foster international education, research, and outreach throughout the University community. The following principles shall guide international education, research, and outreach at the University:

- (a) In an interdependent world, the welfare of the state and the well-being of its citizens are linked to the welfare of all humankind.
- (b) Through international education, research, or outreach the University builds and extends its scholarly standing, its potential for research, its contributions to economies, and the education and skills of students and citizens of the state, the nation, and the world.
- (c) The University has a responsibility to incorporate into its community and curriculum international opportunities that provide students, faculty, and staff the understanding, skills, and knowledge necessary to be globally competent citizens of the state, the nation, and the world.
- (d) The University has a responsibility to ensure to the extent possible, respectful and ethical engagement with people, places, and ideas around the globe.

**SECTION III. IMPLEMENTATION.**

The president or delegate shall administer policies that, in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations, effectively promote and encourage a comprehensive approach to international education, research, and outreach that includes the following elements:

- (a) **International Experience for Students.** The University will encourage the participation of University students in international educational, research, and outreach experiences and provide opportunities that afford participating students the guidance and assistance necessary to integrate these experiences into University degree curricula.
- (b) **Enrollment and Inclusion of International Students.** The University will recruit and enroll students from other countries in its undergraduate, professional, and graduate programs in such numbers and with such geographic origins as to meet the guiding principles stated in this policy.
- (c) **Faculty and Staff Teaching, Research, and Outreach.** The University will encourage international education and engagement in the teaching, research, and outreach of its faculty and staff through the interaction of people and ideas.



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- (d) **Collaboration with International Institutions.** The University will build strategic international partnerships with universities, institutions, and organizations worldwide; expand international scholarly engagement; and internationalize the University community and curriculum.