



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
BOARD OF REGENTS POLICY

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**INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION AND
ENGAGEMENT**

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SECTION I. SCOPE.

This policy governs all international activities of the students, faculty, staff, and programs 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 and engagement throughout the University community. The following principles shall guide international education and engagement 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 and engagement, a great university builds and extends its scholarly standing, its potential for research, and its contributions to the education of students and citizens of the state, the nation, and the world.
- (c) The University has a responsibility to incorporate into its educational programs international opportunities that provide students the understanding, skills, and knowledge necessary to be creative and useful citizens of the state, the nation, and the world.

SECTION III. ADMINISTRATION.

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

- (a) **International Experience for Students.** The University will encourage the participation of University students in international educational experiences and provide opportunities that afford participating students the guidance and assistance necessary to integrate these experiences into University degree curricula.
- (b) **Enrollment of International Students.** The University will enroll students from abroad in its undergraduate, professional, and graduate colleges in such numbers and with such geographic origins as to advance the University's educational goals.
- (c) **Faculty Teaching and Research.** The University will encourage international education and engagement in the teaching, research, and service of its faculty through the exchange of persons, ideas, and materials with other countries.



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