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Collaborating for Sustainable Impact: A 2-year College's Call to Internationalization

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Collaborating for Sustainable Impact:

A 2-year College's Call to Internationalize

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Presentation Overview



Introduction



Framework



Approach & Outcomes



Concluding Thoughts

Georgia State University

- Research 1 Public University
- 50,000 students from 150 countries
- No. 1 among public universities for undergraduate teaching
- Associate to Doctoral degrees



Perimeter College

✓ 15,000+ students

✓ 5 campuses throughout Atlanta-metro area

✓ 30+ A.S. pathways
27 are fully-online



Framework

Community Colleges – Critical Pathway

- 44% of all undergraduate students study at a community college
- 47% who graduated with 4-year degree had attended a community college
- Traditional 18-24 year olds, working adults, part-time students, etc.

Perimeter College – Signature Experiences

- Honors College
- Study Abroad
- Virtual Exchange
- Research for Undergraduates



Challenges

- Cost
- Lack of Experience
- Language barriers
- Cultural differences



- Homesickness
- Work/Family Duties
- Re-integration

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Our Approach

As a two-year college that's part of a Research I institution, we have a unique opportunity and a mission to affect change.

- Free Passport Initiative
- Creative Offerings (goal: all continents in '25)
- Provide Study Abroad Scholarships
 - Int'l Education Fee (\$1,000)
 - Int'l Access Scholarship (up to \$2,500)
 - ATLAS Scholarship (\$1,000)
- Count SA as In-State Tuition Eligible
- Recruit Students of Color (AAMI/IDEAS Grant)
- Study Abroad Ambassadors
- Offer Alternatives (VE and VSA)



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Highlights



751 students studied abroad in **38** different countries

87.21% of students who studied abroad did so on a GSU faculty-led program.



53.96% of study abroad participants were students of color



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Institutional Scholarships Awarded by Study Abroad Programs in 2022-2023

- International Education Fee Scholarship (IEF) Recipients
 - 253 undergraduate students
 - 97 graduate students
- International Access Scholarship (IAS) Recipients:
 - 353 undergraduate students
 - 58 graduate students
- Atlas Scholarship Recipients:
 - 24 undergraduate students
 - 12 graduate students
- Free Passport Program: 181 free passports awarded!
- **Total Amount of GSU Study Abroad Scholarships Awarded: 1,450,487.00**

National Scholarships

Number of Gilman Scholarship recipients for 2022-2023:

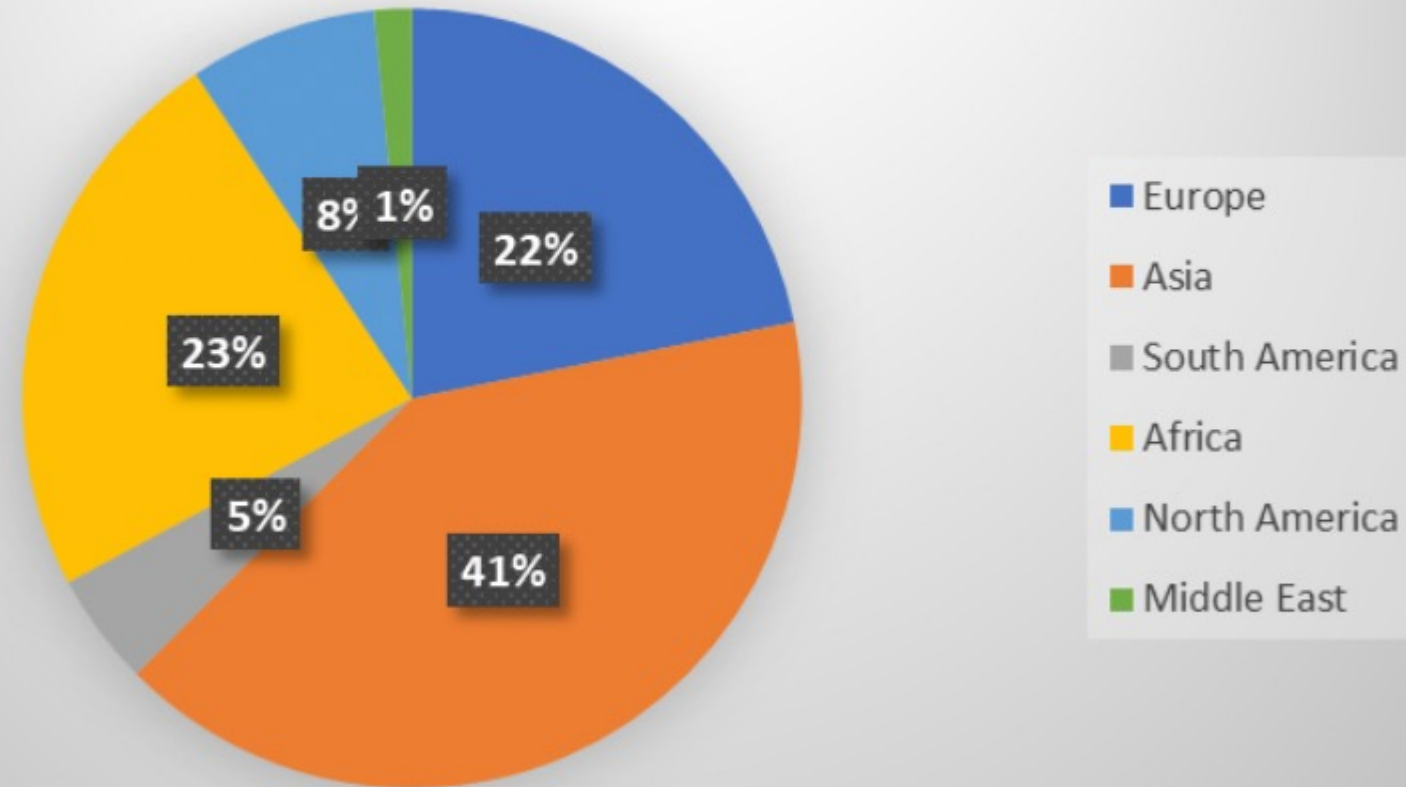
- Gilman recipients: 37
- Total amount awarded for 2022 - 2023: \$127,500



Virtual Exchange Engagement

College/School	Number of Students							Spring 2023	Fall 2023	
	Fall 2019	Spring 2020	Fall 2020	Spring 2021	Fall 2021	Spring 2022	Fall 2022			
Andrew Young School of Policy Studies	0	0	0	11	0	0	75	0	0	
Byrdine F. Lewis College of Nursing and Health Professions	0	0	0	149	0	0	0	167	37	
College of Arts and Sciences	10	89	287	178	332	140	399	198	230	
College of the Arts	0	10	0	0	0	0	23	0	0	
College of Education & Human Development	95	30	0	45	136	92	234	144	94	
College of Law	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	
Honors College	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
J. Mack Robinson College of Business	0	18	0	119	305	432	482	228	489	
Perimeter College	0	76	50	130	70	0	85	57	216	
School of Public Health	0	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	105	274	337	647	843	664	1298	794	1065	
Grand Total (Till Spring 2023)	6,028									

Partners by Continent



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Overcoming Challenges for Great Outcomes

Increased # of Students with Passports

In 2021, we had excess funds since SAPs were not running, so we launched a new program to fund first-time passport ownership, the Free Passport Program.

- Awarded over 1,000 Free Passports in the first year and have continued offering them.
- Have a Passport Office on Campus
- New partnership with Delta Airlines to continue



Increased Engagement in Int'l Education

We've steadily worked to increase VE participation. In the past two years, we've had a 31% increase in participation, with 216 students engaged in VE in Fall 2023.



Increased #s of Students Becoming Global Scholars

We designed a recognition/certificate program that allows students to earn a badge for successfully completing coursework in a series of classes that have a "global" component. Since launch in Fall 2022, over 300 students have earned the badge.





Congratulations to the 2022 IIE Heiskell Awardees!

Widening Access for International Education

Georgia State University's Free Passport Initiative



Georgia State University Wins Prestigious 2023 Senator Paul Simon Award for Outstanding Campus Internationalization

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