

BACKGROUND

For more than 50 years, Indiana University has been building its reputation as an international university, a legacy begun under its visionary president and chancellor, the late Herman B Wells. His postwar leadership roles involved him in higher education projects that took him from Germany, to Thailand, and to Afghanistan, with an interlude at the United Nations. Wells's global vision helped build the infrastructure that today supports the intellectual core of IU's expertise in international knowledge.

Wells's commitment to internationalization, along with that of subsequent presidents, notably John W. Ryan, has become woven into the very fabric of the IU system. International perspectives and global patterns flourish on all campuses and at every level: international curricula for undergraduate and graduate degrees, minors, certificates, and professional concentrations; a breadth of programs for study abroad; a world mosaic of language departments, area studies centers, and research institutes; a renowned faculty recruited from around the world; a diverse international population of students, faculty, staff, and visiting scholars; world-class library, archival, and museum collections; a global network of student and faculty exchanges and institutional linkages; and innovative support and outreach programs that promote intercultural understanding well beyond the campus.

In 1976, IU created the **Office of International Programs (OIP)** as a systemwide office under the dean for international programs to enhance its goals of international education. In 2007, the dean was made vice president for international affairs; the position maintains its reporting line directly to the president. An advisory body on international studies and projects for the IU system is the President's Council on International Programs (PCIP). Each year, its members are appointed by the president and include all directors of area and international studies centers and the professional schools, and senior staff representing all IU campuses. PCIP members are active on various systemwide committees that are drawn up each year to conduct the annual business of the various offices under its umbrella.

Indiana University comprises eight campuses, including the residential campus at Bloomington, the urban campus at Indianapolis, and six regional campuses located in communities throughout the state. They are denoted throughout this *Fact Book* as follows:

- IU Bloomington (IUB)
 - Indiana University—Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI)
 - IU East (Richmond; IUE)
 - Indiana—Purdue Fort Wayne (IPFW)
 - IU Kokomo (IUK)
 - IU Northwest (Gary; IUN)
 - IU South Bend (IUSB)
 - IU Southeast (New Albany; IUS)
- College of Arts and Sciences (COAS)
 - Kelley School of Business (BUS)
 - School of Education (EDUC)
 - School of Journalism (JOUR)
 - School of Public and Environmental Affairs (SPEA)
 - School of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation (HPER)
 - School of Law (LAW)
 - University Division (UDIV)
 - University Graduate School (GRAD)
 - Jacobs School of Music (MUS)
 - School of Optometry (OPT)
 - School of Continuing Studies (SCS)
 - School of Informatics (INFO)
 - School of Library and Information Science (SLIS)
 - Central Eurasian Studies (CEUS)

“We must maintain a concern for the development and needs of the world beyond our borders... Great universities such as Indiana University offer the most promising possibility for putting this concern into action.”

—Herman B Wells, 1985

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
MISSION STATEMENT

The OVPIA's mission is to serve all eight campuses of the university, provide leadership and advocacy for their international programs, projects, and activities, and coordinate the resources necessary to sustain their development and growth. Its services and programs offer many avenues that enable students, faculty, and staff to pursue their quest for international knowledge and experience. To implement its mission, the office:

- provides systemwide support and immigration services for international students, faculty, and visiting scholars
- develops and administers study abroad programs
- increases the university's capacity to provide institution-building abroad through externally funded technical and development assistance projects
- develops and administers systemwide exchange programs for faculty and students
- offers grant opportunities for research, collaboration, and travel by faculty, librarians, and students
- supports efforts to internationalize the faculty and curricula on all campuses
- disseminates news and information on international scholarship and activities through the IU system
- advises the president's office on official protocol for visits of international dignitaries to the university
- facilitates the university's outreach activities to local, state, and regional schools and organizations that request information on international topics
- works with the Indiana University Alumni Association and the IU Office of Admissions to encourage the recruitment of qualified international students