BCCIE: Canada’s National Secretariat for UMAP

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The Canadian landscape
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• BCCIE is a key partner in advancing international education in British Columbia.

• We position British Columbia as an education destination of choice for global learners and promote internationalization in BC’s education system.
BCCIE’s Partnerships and Networks

**British Columbia**
- 25 post-secondary institutions: universities, colleges, and institutes
- 60 public K-12 school districts and more than 300 independent/private schools
- More than 350 language schools and private post secondary colleges
- British Columbia Council on Admissions & Transfer (BCCAT)
- BC Colleges Association (BCC)
- British Columbia Association of Institutes and Universities (BCAIU)
- Research University Council of BC (RUCBC)

**Canada**
- Canadian Bureau for International Education (CBIE)
- Colleges and Institutes Canada (CICAN)
- Universities Canada (UC)
- Global Affairs Canada
Our history with UMAP

• **2018** – appointed Canada’s national secretariat

• BCCIE starts to market UMAP membership to Canadian colleges and universities

• Begin outreach to smaller and rural schools

• The role allows us to further position BC as a hub for international education in the Americas and with Asia and the Pacific
Our work as Canada’s secretariat

• In the last 18 months, BCCIE has expanded UMAP membership in Canada by 11 post-secondary institutions

• Currently there are 15 member institutions in five provinces/territories across Canada from both the private and public post-secondary sector
Ongoing efforts

• Outreach to higher-ed associations
• Webinars and presentations
• Collaborate with Global Affairs Canada to leverage two scholarships (SEED & ELAP) for member institutions
• Provide continued support to member institutions in terms of promotion and development of UMAP Exchange Programs
Next steps

• We anticipate at least another **10 institutions** signed up by September of 2020, and many other partnerships are already in discussion

• We are working with our provincial national associations

• Accessing Canada’s International Education Strategy funding for scholarships
Thank you

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