Advancing Internationalization at HBCUs: Issues and Opportunities

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Happening Today
Classes Resume at Lincoln University
Reality, Response, and Resilience
Internationalization at Lincoln University

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Reality, Response, and Resilience: 
Internationalization at Lincoln University (Pennsylvania)
Lincoln University Reality
Campus context

• Brief description of LU
• Liberal arts; HBCU; public
• Rural campus
• Student enrollment
• International students
Lincoln University COVID Response

- Returned students from abroad
- Suspended study abroad
- Extended stay and support for international students
- Increased outreach in admissions process

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Lincoln University COVID Reality

• Restricted campus access
• Regular testing; protocols
• Reduced campus density
• Shortened campus time (fall and spring)
• Remote learning
Lincoln University Refocus

• Global skills graduates need
• Engage prospective international students
• Internationalization opportunities for faculty
• Connection with local community
Lincoln University Resilience

CURRENT STUDENTS

• IDEAS Grant – Study Abroad Fellow
• Study Abroad Student Ambassadors
• Virtual internships

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Lincoln University
Resilience

PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

- Remote learning despite embassies closed
- Virtual webinars
- Visa shenanigans
Lincoln University
Resilience

FACULTY

• FLITE: Faculty-Led International Travel for Education
• Study Abroad Committee
• Fulbright
Lincoln University
Resilience

COMMUNITY

• International student support
• Host families
• Oratory contest
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Global HBCU Morgan Internationalization Initiatives and Priorities

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Morgan Current News

Morgan's Spring 2021 Semester Reopening Plan
November 30, 2020
Planning for the Best: 2020 semester was transpired last spring

Morgan State University Students Study Abroad in Guatemala
February 13, 2020

Morgan State University Receives Historic Gift of $40M from Philanthropist MacKenzie Scott
December 15, 2020

Morgan State University President Receives Authorization to Pursue Affiliate Agreement to Add New College of Osteopathic Medicine
January 9, 2020

Morgan State University to Offer Three Degree Programs in Ghana Following Board Approval
February 10, 2020

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Morgan Global Highlights

• 10-Year Strategies Plan (2021–2031)
• Internationalization Task Force
• International Students and Scholars
• Fulbright and Study Abroad Programs
• Morgan Virtual Exchange
• Global Engagements
• Joint Research Projects
• Virtual Symposia
Morgan 10-Year Strategic Plan

- Campus Internationalization
- Internationalization of Education Task Force
- Bears Beyond Border
- Expansion of Programs
- Scholarship and Awards
Virtual Exchange and Symposia

- Collaborative Online Intl Learning (COIL) with Kansai University/American Council on Education
- Two-Day Campus Internationalization Global Symposium (675 attendees; 5 HBCUs)
- Soliya Connect Global Programs—Virtual Exchange for Four Courses
- VE Spain: Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha
How do international faculty and international students help in the process of internationalization at home? (and How with COVID-19?)

Panel Discussion
Bears Beyond Border

- Internationalization of Education Task Force
- Bears Beyond Border
- Scholarship and Awards

Morgan State University Tops Fulbright Program’s ‘HBCU Institutional Leaders’

- January 13, 2020
First HBCU Branch Campus

- Branch campus in Accra, Ghana in collaboration with African University College of Communications (Fall 2021 start date)
- Programs includes Journalism, Business Administration
### International Student Enrollment
(As of Fall 2019)

#### Top Countries of Origin

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7.0% of Grand Total = 540

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Global Representation

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MSU’s National Rankings*

Fulbright Scholars — 1st among all HBCUs

Fulbright-related grants to Morgan students: 149 for study in 44 countries
Fulbright-related grants to Morgan professors or administrators: 75 for study in 41 countries
International Students and Scholars

- New 20 to 50 international doctoral students & postdoctoral fellows per year (sponsored by Tertiary Education Trust Fund)
- New virtual exchange programs and recruitment initiatives

Morgan State University Students Study Abroad in Guatemala

Occurred: February 13, 2020
Internationalization at Tennessee State University

• Founded in 1912, it is the largest and only state-funded historically black university in Tennessee. It is a member-school of the Thurgood Marshall College Fund. Tennessee State University is a comprehensive urban institution offering 38 bachelor's degrees, 24 master's degrees, and seven doctoral degrees.

• Office of International Affairs, formerly Office of Diversity and International Affairs, est. 2012

• 2012 - 69 International students; 34 studying abroad; 4 total staff
• 2016 - 851 international students; 120 studying abroad; 8 total staff
• 2021 - 250 international students; 180 studying abroad virtually; 12 total staff

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Comprehensive Internationalization

ACE Model for Comprehensive Internationalization
High Impact Practices

- Integrative research experiences/study abroad
- Living/learning communities
- Service-learning projects
Mitigating Barriers to Student Participation

➢ Study abroad workshops
➢ Passport Acceptance Facility
➢ Heritage Program
➢ Ancestry Testing
➢ Listening/Sharing Campus Tour
➢ Faculty/Staff training
Cultural Appreciation Week

- Held each Spring in March or April
- Largest cultural program on campus each year
- The week consists of an international education open house, food festival and cultural celebration
- We collaborate the city’s public school system each year
- We host approximately 150 middle school students.
Ms. Collegiate International Scholarship Pageant

Graduation Reception

- Receptions are held twice a year in prior to May and December Commencement
- Graduates, their families and friends are invited
- Reception consists of a short program, presentation of sashes and refreshments.
- Between 75 & 100 international students graduate at each commencement
WHY TSU INTENSIVE ENGLISH CENTER?

First HBCU to have an accredited ESL Program

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Other Initiatives

- Global Faculty Fellows

- QEP submission - Beyond Borders: Developing Global Leaders and Cultural Competency

- Faculty recruitment initiative

- Pathways to Prosperity

- IEC Pathways program
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