

## **Internationalization of Education: POSTECH Experience**

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### **ABSTRACT**

POSTECH was established in 1986 as Korea's first research-oriented science and technology university. Implementing the founding philosophy of educating a small number of bright students in a research-oriented environment, POSTECH has in its short 20-year history, become the top university in Korea and one of the leading science and technology universities in Asia.

In recent years, the idea of internationalization of education has been the subject of much discourse for universities world-wide. Universities are continuously seeking ways to internationalize their campus and curriculum to provide students with a global frame of mind to answer growing demand for talented, globalized individuals.

POSTECH, in its effort, has pursued providing students' opportunities to participate in outbound programs, recruitment of international students and other international activities on campus to enhance their university experience.

With POSTECH's aim to become one of the world's top 20 research-oriented universities by the year 2020, internationalization is a key strategic policy which the university will aggressively pursue.

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### POSTECH Overview

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- Founded in 1986
- First research-oriented university in Korea
- 1,638,135 m<sup>2</sup> Land area
- 325,362 m<sup>2</sup> Building area
- Faculty: 229  
Researcher: 698  
Staff: 206  
Student: 2,822 (Graduate 1,505)
- PAL<sup>(1)</sup>  
Student Dorms &  
Married Students' Apt.  
International  
Complex<sup>(2)</sup>  
Main Campus  
Biotech Center  
RIST<sup>(3)</sup>

(1) PAL: Pohang Accelerator Laboratory  
(2) RIST: Research Institute of Industrial Science and Technology  
(3) Expected to open in July 2007.

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  - Interdisciplinary cooperation
  - Globalization
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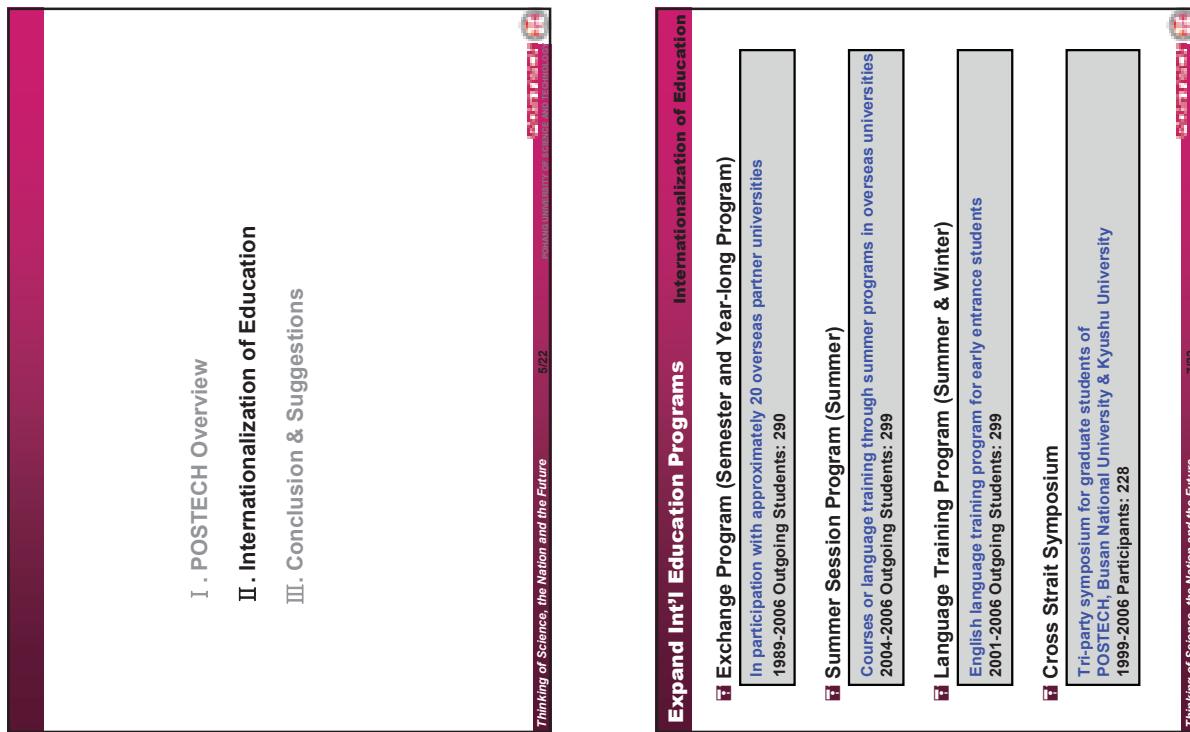
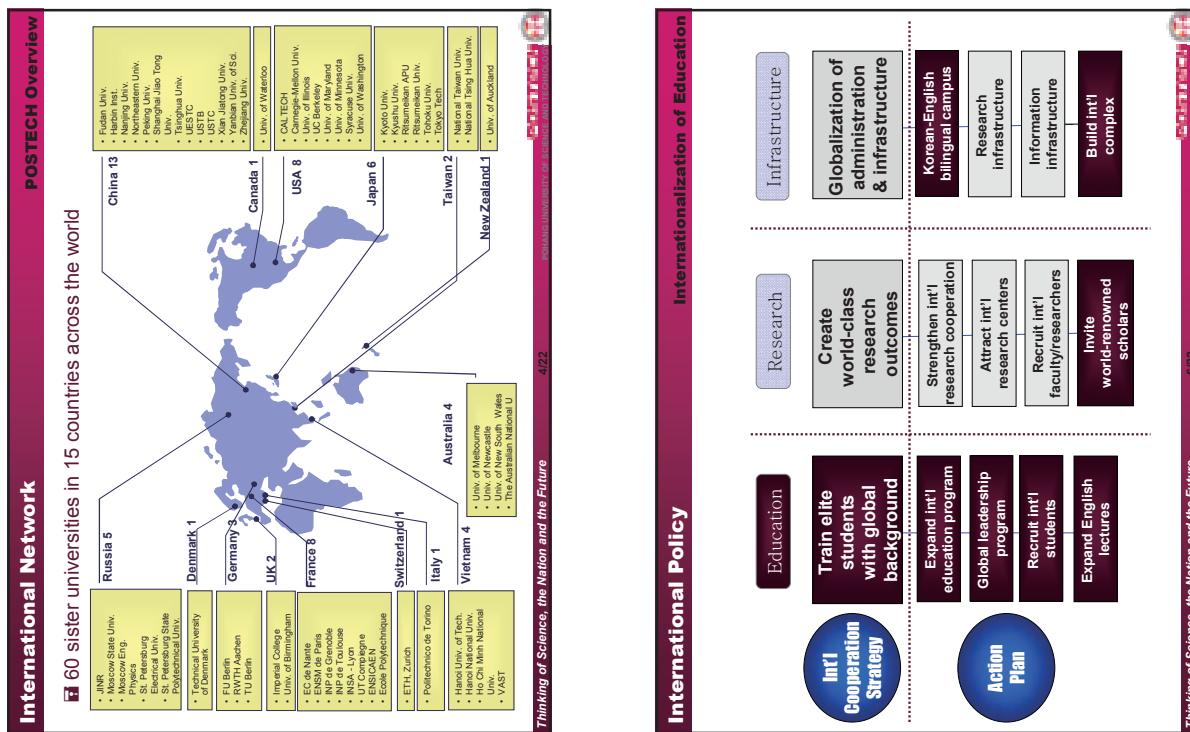
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### Founding Principles



Expand Int'l Education Programs – Planned		Internationalization of Education
I Study Abroad Program (Semester and Year-long Program)		Internationalization of Education
<p>To expand outgoing students for semester &amp; year-long program (students' need) Solve the imbalance problem of exchange student numbers Student Limit: 10 (annually) Cost: Pay tuition fees (negotiable) Credit Transfer: Same as exchange program Partner University: U of Minnesota, UC Berkeley, U of Columbia and etc</p>		Thinking of Science, the Nation and the Future 8/22 Internationalization of Education
I Internship Program (Summer and Winter)		Internationalization of Education
<p>Internship or Research Program at overseas universities Exchange students among member countries through IAESTE* Student Limit: 20 (annually) Cost: Living Expenses &amp; stipend (negotiable) Credit Transfer: N/A Partners: University, Company, Research Institution</p>		Thinking of Science, the Nation and the Future 8/22 Internationalization of Education
<p>*IAESTE: The International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience</p>		

Global Leadership Programs		Internationalization of Education
I Global Leadership Programs for POSTECH Students		Internationalization of Education
<p>Annual Student Camp by 17 AEAFU member universities 1997-2006 Outgoing Students: 64</p>		Thinking of Science, the Nation and the Future 9/22 Internationalization of Education
<p>Bang Doshie Global Expedition Funded with an endowment from Mrs. BANG Doshie 2000-2005 Outgoing Students: 46</p>		Thinking of Science, the Nation and the Future 9/22 Internationalization of Education
<p>Study Tour for Student Leaders Visit several universities and research institution abroad 2004-2005 Outgoing Students: 28</p>		Thinking of Science, the Nation and the Future 9/22 Internationalization of Education
Recruit International Students		Internationalization of Education
I POSTECH-Partner Universities Networking Convention 2005		Internationalization of Education
<p><b>Purpose</b> Invite partner universities' administrators Introduce POSTECH campus, education environment and degree program Exchange ideas and future cooperation</p>		
<p><b>Participants</b> 12 from 10 universities in China and Taiwan Fudan U, HIT, Nanjing U, NTU, SJTU, Peking U, Tsinghua U, USTB, USSTC, Zhejiang U</p>		
<p><b>Main Program</b> Campus tour, degree program introduction and department visit Meeting with President and home university alumni Networking and discuss future cooperation</p>		
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Int'l Student Enrollment / Department (2002~2006)						
Department	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	Total
Mathematics	1	1	1	1	1	2
Physics	2	2	1	3	10	2
Chemistry	1	2	1	2	3	3
Life Science	4	1	2	1	7	14
MSE	1	1	1	1	1	4
ME	1	1	1	1	1	3
IME	2	3	2	3	10	26
EEE	2	1	1	1	4	17
CSE	2	1	1	1	4	11
Chemical Eng	2	1	1	1	4	140
SEE	3	2	2	5	12	47
GSIT	1	3	3	1	8	11
GIFT	9	6	13	15	47	119
Total	28	19	25	30	17	140

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Increase English Lectures (2002~2006)						
Year	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2010
Undergraduate	14.3%	17%	17.6%	16.8%	30%	100%
Graduate	29.6%	28.3%	26%	33.5%	50%	100%
Total	22%	22.7%	21.8%	25.2%	40%	100%

● University Development Key Indicators for POSTECH Vision 2020

#### Policy to Increase English Lectures

- Korean Government promotes English lectures
  - BK21 Program, IT Scholarship
- Recruit international faculty and students
  - New faculty are supposed to teach ALL lectures in English
  - Provide additional stipend to faculty who gives English lectures
  - Promote English seminars and group meetings

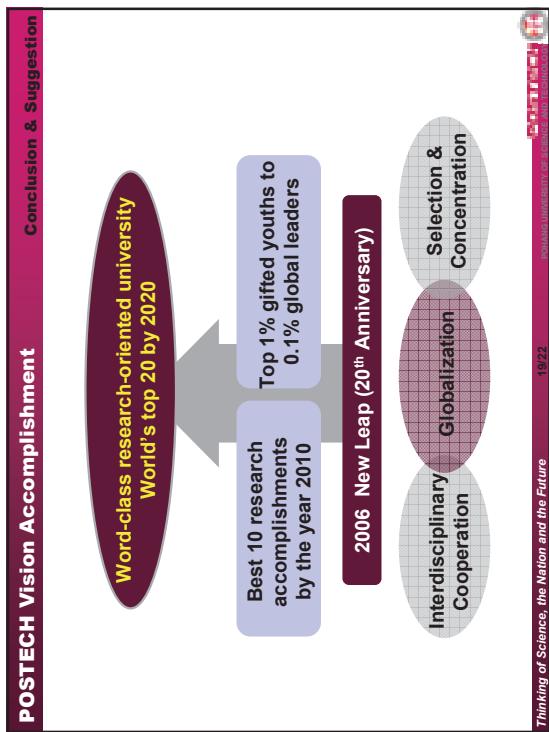
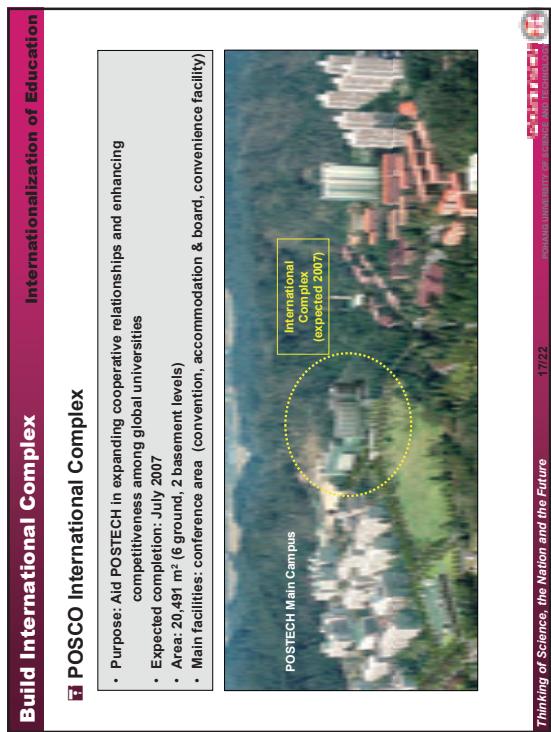
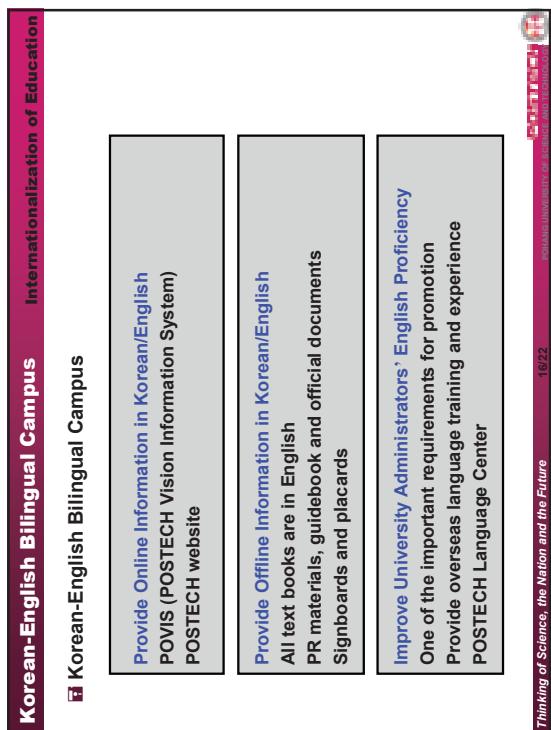
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Recruit International Students							Internationalization of Education	
Incoming Exchange Program				Incoming Students Number (1998-2006)				
General / Exchange Program								
• Take courses	• Semester or year-long program	• Participate in research projects	• Several months or year-long program	Country	Number	Country	Number	
Research Program		Combined Program	• Combination of the two programs above	USA	25	UK	4	
				Canada	12	Australia	14	
				Germany	22	Denmark	1	
				France	26	Japan	2	
				China	17	Taiwan	4	
				Russia	2	Others	11	
				Total	140			

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Invite World-Renowned Scholars							Internationalization of Education	
Guest Lecture Program				Position / Prize				
- Invite Fields/Nobel laureates or world-renowned scholars				- Funds for development of science and technology				
				Year	Area	Lecturer	Position / Prize	
1991	Physics	Norman F. Ramsey	Harvard Univ. / '89 Nobel Prize (Physics)					
1992	Chemistry	Derek Barton	Texas A&M Univ. / '69 Nobel Prize (Chemistry)					
1994	Life Science	Bert Sakmann	Heidelberg Univ. / '91 Nobel Prize (Medical Science)					
1995	Mathematics	John Milnor	New York State Univ. / '62 Fields Medal					
1997	Physics	Ilya Prigogine	Prague Center / '77 Nobel Prize (Chemistry)					
1999	Chemistry	Jean-Marie Lehn	Univ. of Louis Pasteur / '87 Nobel Prize (Chemistry)					
2001	Mathematics	Efim I. Zelmanov	Yale Univ. / '94 Fields Medal					
2001	Political Science	Robert A. Scalapino	UC Berkeley					
2002	Life Science	Paul Greengard	The Rockefeller Univ. / 2000 Nobel Prize (Physiology)					
2004	Physics	Robert B. Laughlin	Stanford Univ. / '98 Nobel Prize (Physics)					
2006	Mathematics	Jean-Christophe Yoccoz	-POSTECH Chair-Professor					
	Chemistry	Roderick Mackinnon	College of France / '94 Fields Medal					
			The Rockefeller Univ. / 2003 Nobel Prize (Chemistry)					

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Suggestions	Conclusion & Suggestion
<p><b>I AEARU Exchange Programs</b></p> <p><b>Asian community programs among AEARU members</b></p>	<p><b>Main Activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student &amp; teacher exchanges</li> <li>Joint development of study program</li> <li>International intensive program</li> <li>Thematic networks between departments &amp; faculties</li> <li>Languages courses</li> <li>AEARU credit transfer system</li> </ul>

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<p><b>I AEARU Exchange Program</b></p> <p><b>Association of East Asian Research Universities, AEARU</b> 17 Universities in East Asia from China, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea and Taiwan Activities: 10 science &amp; technology workshops and 2 student camps annually</p>	<p>Thinking of Science, the Nation and the Future 20/22</p>

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