

Internationalization at National Taiwan University

Plans and Benchmarks

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ABSTRACT

University internationalization is one of the main goals National Taiwan University and making its great effort to pursuit the academic excellence. Since National Taiwan University is a comprehensive university with 11 colleges, 54 departments, and 96 graduate institutes, the task becomes daunting. It involves the integration of different concepts and best practices in research, teaching, and university governance across units and disciplines. The Center for International Academic Exchange works closely with the President and major university administrators as well as the Ministry of Education to develop a comprehensive scheme and a set of benchmarks to assist all university departments and administrative branches to assess their internationalization efforts. NTU's Internationalization Plan covers these 7 major areas:

1. International Enrollment
2. University-wide International Awareness
3. International Faculty Recruitment
4. University Exchange Programs
5. International Initiatives
6. An International Curriculum
7. Administrative Support

NTU has established these internationalization benchmarks to provide clear goal of reference for individual departments and administrative sectors. NTU operates an annual check of these benchmarks to make sure that compliance has met and non-compliance identified. These benchmarks are created with valuable input from our faculty and administrators and are both friendly and reasonable so NTU does not put unnecessary burden to our colleagues. The ultimate goal is to ensure NTU's cutting edge position in higher education



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History

The oldest university in Taiwan

- ❖ 1928~1945
Taihoku (Taipei) Imperial University
- ❖ 1945~
National Taiwan University



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Basic Statistics

- ❖ 11 Colleges
- ❖ 54 Departments
- ❖ 96 Graduate Institutes
- ❖ 25 Research Centers
- ❖ 30,000+ total enrollment
- ❖ 17,000 undergraduates
- ❖ 13,000 graduates
- ❖ 1,807 full-time teachers
- ❖ 870 supporting staffs



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Internationalization Plan 1

- ❖ A comprehensive set of benchmarks that measures 49 tasks in 7 major areas to assist departments and other university units to implement international programs and services.

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Internationalization Plan 2

7 Major Areas

- ❖ International Enrollment
- ❖ University-wide International Awareness
- ❖ International Faculty Recruitment
- ❖ University Exchange Programs
- ❖ International Initiatives
- ❖ An International Curriculum
- ❖ Administrative Support

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International Enrollment 1



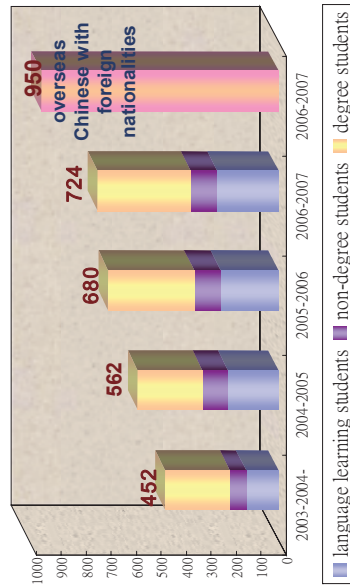
- ❖ International Students:
 - ❑ degree students
 - ❑ exchange students
 - ❑ dual-degree candidates
 - ❑ language learning students
- ❖ Departments and institutes provide the following:
 - ❑ academic counseling
 - ❑ administrative support

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International Enrollment 2



Number of International Students (2003-2007)



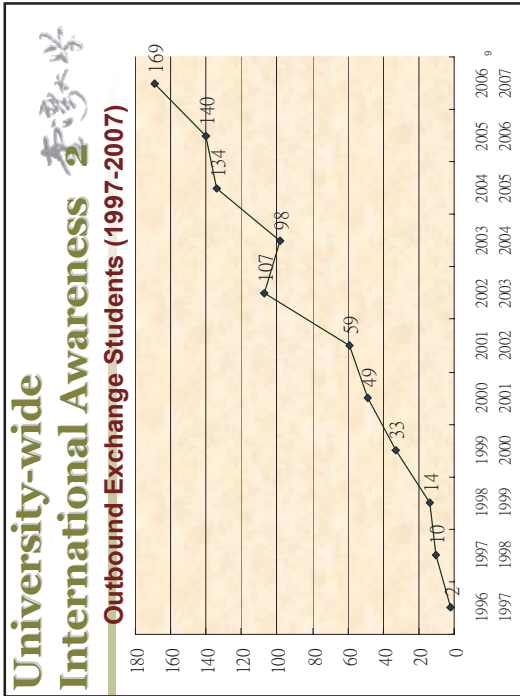
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University-wide International Awareness 1

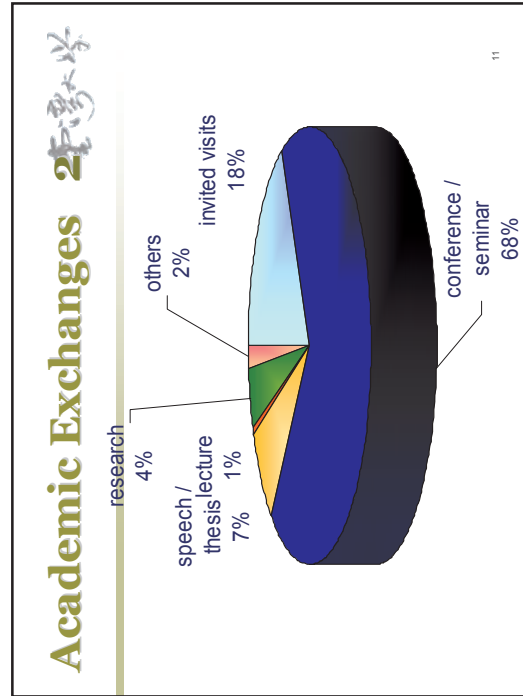


- ❖ *Global Sense* - Intercultural Competence and Communication Skills
- ❖ International Opportunities:
 - ❑ outbound exchange programs
 - ❑ language requirements for graduating students
 - ❑ international research programs (for Ph.D. and postdoctoral students)
 - ❑ international and intercultural activities

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- ### Academic Exchanges 1
- ❖ A strong emphasis on the benefits of the exchange experience
 - ❖ Accomplishments:
 - ❑ Scholarly articles published in refereed international journals
 - ❑ Participation in international seminars and conferences
 - ❑ Lecturing in foreign universities
 - ❑ Joint research



Academic Exchanges 3

Academic Performance Indexes	2005	2006	growth %
SCI - SSCI - A&HCI	3,468	3,953	13.99%
Number of Citations	8,182	9,205	12.5%
HiCi	117	142	21.37%
Editors of International Journals	178	213	19.7%

International Faculty Recruitment



- ❖ Tenured Positions: Professors
Researchers and Experts
- ❖ Short-Term Positions: Visiting Scholars
Visiting Experts
- ❖ Joint Appointments

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International Initiatives 1



- ❖ International Programs:
 - ❑ Student Exchange Program
 - ❑ Faculty Exchange Program
 - ❑ Dual degree Program
 - ❑ International Research Agreements
- ❖ Participation in International Organizations

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International Initiatives 2

International Academic Programs

Number of Countries				41
Number of Sister Institutions				203
Number of Agreements	University Level	168		248
	Faculty Level	62		
	Department Level	18		
Number of Student Exchange Programs	University Level	77		91
	Faculty Level	12		
	Department Level	2		
Number of Faculty Exchange Programs				6
Number of Double Major Programs				11
Number of Summer Programs				6

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International Curriculum



- ❖ 400 courses taught in English
- ❖ Professional English-taught Programs (EMBA)
- ❖ Language Programs for International Students
- ❖ Culture Courses and Seminars
- ❖ Distance-learning Programs

Administrative Support 1

- ❖ Administrative Support is the backbone of a successful internationalization drive
- ❖ An NTU International Student Administrator
 - ❑ is trained to handle international student affairs
 - ❑ has a vision of an international campus
 - ❑ can communicate in English or in other foreign languages
- ❖ NTU Departments and Institutions
 - ❑ help create an international learning environment
 - ❑ launch bilingual websites showing all key information

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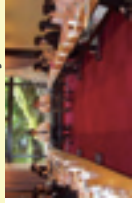
Administrative Support 2

- ❖ Training for International Program Administrators:
 - ❑ Language and Developmental Programs for Senior Department Secretaries
 - ❑ Orientation Program for Int'l Admission Staffs
 - ❑ International Guests Reception Training Courses

Staff Visiting Korea University



Workshop at Tokyo University



Orientation Program for Int'l Admission Staffs



Purpose of Internationalization

Benchmarks

- ❖ To establish a University Policy on internationalization and provide guidelines for Departments and administrative branches
- ❖ To ensure compliance by all units and employees via incentive programs and annual reviews
- ❖ To secure NTU's position at the cutting edge of higher education worldwide

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