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Introduction to Stellenbosch University International

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Support for internationalisation at SU



- June 1993 Office for International Relations (OIR)
- May 1996 International Office (IO)
- January 2010 Postgraduate and International Office (PGIO)
- October 2016 Stellenbosch University International (SU International)

Internationalisation support landscape at SU



- Stellenbosch University International on institutional level
- Tygerberg International Office – Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences
- USB International Relations – US Business School, Bellvillepark campus
- Vice-Deans at some faculties tasked with internationalisation
- Postgraduate Office for international postgraduate students and joint degrees
- Research Development for international research collaboration and funding

The purpose of SU International



STRATEGY

To initiate, develop and implement policy and strategy for the internationalisation of SU and the core activities: research, learning and teaching and social impact;

PARTNERS

To develop sustainable significant bilateral and multi-lateral alliances, partnerships and collaboration in support of the academic project;

SERVICES

To create a dedicated support service platform to promote SU's global engagement activities on campus, in the local community, within the region, in Africa and beyond

SCHOLARSHIP

To facilitate the development of scholarship in Africa.



Our approach

- Contributing to achieving institutional strategic objectives with regard to positioning SU as new Africa University
- Supporting all the faculties where internationalisation related activities are primarily seated
- Operating within a network of all support service divisions:
 - creating integration and coordination
 - adding an international and intercultural dimension
- Integrating and aligning campus international support structures to ensure consistent comprehensive internationalisation across SU

Structure of SU International



CENTRE FOR
COLLABORATION
IN AFRICA

AFRICA CENTRE
FOR
SCHOLARSHIP

GLOBAL
EDUCATION
CENTRE

CENTRE FOR
PARTNERSHIPS &
INTERNATIONALISATION

CONFUCIUS
INSTITUTE

SU INTERNATIONAL SERVICES CENTRE

Overview of international partnerships at SU



- 112 institutional bilateral partnerships in 44 countries
- Further 135 faculty and departmental partnerships
- Facilitate key activities such as student and staff mobility, research collaboration
- Historically the cooperation has been predominately with Western Europe and the USA
- Strong focus on Africa



Specific partnerships in the Faculty of Engineering

Institution	Country	Level of Agreement
Polytechnique Montreal	Canada	Faculty
Bahir Dar University	Ethiopia	Faculty
INP Grenoble	France	Department of Industrial Engineering
Bauhaus-Universität Weimar	Germany	Faculty
Reutlingen University	Germany	Faculty
Technische Hochschule Ingolstadt	Germany	Faculty
National University of Singapore	Singapore	Faculty
University of Žilina	Slovakia	Faculty
Jönköping University	Sweden	Faculty
TU Delft	The Netherlands	Department of Civil Engineering

Overview of international partnerships at SU



- Participation in international consortium
 - AC21, AUF, AAU, ARUA, BRICS, PeriPeri U, AIMS, PANGeA and NEPAD
- Participation in EU programmes
 - Erasmus+
 - IntraACP programmes (TreccAfrica, SHARE, AFIMEGQ, PAFROID)
 - FP7 and Horizon 2020
- Joint programmes
 - Master's and PhD

Support for international students and staff



- Students
 - Degree seeking students (undergraduate and postgraduate)
 - Non-degree seeking students (exchange students from partner universities and Affiliate students (research only))
- Full spectrum of support services
 - Academic administration (application, credential evaluation, registration)
 - Immigration
 - Logistical arrangements (airport pickup, accommodation, campus orientation, local integration)

Support for international students and staff



- Staff
 - Employment
 - Visiting Staff (staff exchange)
- Service delivery
 - Logistical arrangements (airport pickup; accommodation)
 - Immigration
 - *SPICE* group

Support for SU staff and students



- Student mobility
 - Bilateral exchange programmes
 - Summer schools (at partner universities)
 - Erasmus+ programmes
- Staff mobility
 - Exchange of staff with partner universities
 - Exchange of staff through Erasmus+

Grants offered by SU International



- **Africa Collaborations Grants (ACG)**

- Facilitated by Centre for Collaboration in Africa (CCA)
- The Africa Collaboration Grant (ACG) provide seed funding for fulltime SU staff to establish or strengthen academic collaboration with one or more partners based at institutions elsewhere on the continent, and is funded from the budget of the of the Vice-Rector for Research, Innovation and Postgraduate Studies.
- Since its inception in 2010, the ACG has funded over 100 projects across faculties to the value of more than R3,9 million.
- As of 2016, the grant specifically funds projects with SU's bilateral partners in Africa
- 2 calls annually
- For more information, contact Nico Elema (nicoelema@sun.ac.za) or Yolanda Johnson (yjohnson@sun.ac.za)

Africa Collaborations Grants (ACG)



– 5 categories: of the ACG

Fund name	Description
Africa Collaborations Grant	To support permanent staff in collaborating with bi-lateral partners in hosting workshops and staff exchanges
ACG Bilaterals	Ad-hoc support for permanent staff to collaborating with bilateral partners based on bilateral agreements
ACG Postgrad Conference grant	To support 10 postgraduate students in attending conferences on the African continent
ACG Post-Doc	To support 10 Post-Doc researchers in developing collaborations with African universities and research institutions
ACG ARUA	Seed-funding for hosting of ARUA CoE, funding for partnering with ARUA CoE and funding for VC and DVC support to establish partnership with ARUA partners

Grants offered by SU International



- **BRICS Collaboration Grant (BCG)**

- Facilitated by the Centre for Partnerships and Internationalisation (CPI)
- Provides funding for SU academic staff to establish or strengthen academic collaboration with counterparts based at one or more institutions in the BRICS countries (Brazil, Russia, India and China)
- Preference will be given to activities with members of the BRICS Network University and existing bilateral partners , but all applications are considered
- For more information, please contact Lidia du Plessis (lidia@sun.ac.za)

BRICS Collaboration Grant (BCG)



- 3 categories of the BCG:

Category	Description
Category 1: Exploratory visit	This category is for staff who wish to establish a new contact i.e. there is no existing collaboration between you/your academic environment and the institution you intend to visit.
Category 2: Research visit to one or more institutions in BRICS countries	This category is for staff who have existing collaboration with an academic environment at the institution you intend to visit.
Category 3: Host research visitor(s) from one or more institutions in BRICS countries	This category is for staff who wish to host visitors from an institution with whom we have an existing collaboration.

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