

GOT TO GO GLOBAL

International Opportunities for Students

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Rutgers' Centers for Global Advancement and International Affairs (GAIA Centers) create borderless connections between people, ideas, and resources. Since 2011, the centers have worked to internationalize the campus through study abroad and service learning abroad programs, scholarships, social events, globally themed workshops, exclusive United Nations seminars and trips, and more.

The GAIA Centers support more than 200 joint research and education partnerships between Rutgers faculty and experts on six continents. The centers' advising services, cross-cultural social events, and immigration processing have streamlined the arrival and cultural adjustment of nearly 7,000 talented international students and scholars. Currently, the centers offer over 140 study abroad opportunities and host frequent events and field trips that explore United Nations (UN) relations and global health issues.

The winner of the 2014 Senator Paul Simon Award for Comprehensive Internationalization, the GAIA Centers cultivate a global awareness and enhance the global experience for all of Rutgers. The centers recently published a five-year strategic plan that aims to internationalize the campus experience, facilitate international research opportunities for faculty, attract talented international faculty, create a welcoming environment for international visitors, and promote the university's globalization efforts to the Rutgers population and surrounding communities throughout New Jersey.



Biennial Theme

Every two years, the GAIA Centers select a biennial theme that analyzes critical global issues. The current theme for 2015–2017, *Global Urbanism!*, explores the causes, dynamics, meanings, performances and experiences of global interconnections in an urbanizing world. Faculty and student groups can apply to receive small awards to host events, workshops, or other activities under the biennial theme. Contact Stephanie Perez at sperez@gaiacenters.rutgers.edu for more information.

Immigration and Advising Services

The Center for Global Services at the GAIA Centers coordinates cultural programs and immigration-related services for international students and their dependents and serves the campus community in an administrative and advisory capacity. Contact globalservices@gaiacenters.rutgers.edu or visit globalservices.rutgers.edu for more information.

International Friendship Program (IFP)

There are nearly 6,500 international students on campus from 120 countries—take advantage of this free opportunity to learn about other cultures and make new friends. The International Friendship Program (IFP) joins Rutgers international students with domestic students and local community members in a comfortable environment. Weekly group meetings and holiday dinner programs are offered. Contact Carissa McCarthy at carissam@gaiacenters.rutgers.edu for more information.

Global Ambassadors

Have you studied abroad? Join the volunteer global ambassadors and help inspire other Rutgers students to take the leap. As a global ambassador, you'll share your experiences with

prospective study abroad students through classroom presentations, developing blog content, and helping to plan study abroad events on campus. For more information, contact RU_Abroad@gaiacenters.rutgers.edu.

Service-Learning Abroad

Expand your global engagement through Rutgers service-learning abroad programs. These intensive, credit-bearing experiences allow you to take part in service projects related to your field of study and contribute to community-driven solutions to real world challenges. Visit globaleducation.rutgers.edu for available programs.

Study Abroad

Get out of your element with a semester, summer, or yearlong study abroad program. There are currently over 140 opportunities in 50 countries, including Brazil, China, and Italy. Scholarships and financial assistance are available. Browse our brochure at globaleducation.rutgers.edu or contact RU_Abroad@gaiacenters.rutgers.edu.

United Nations Activities

Since 2009, Rutgers has been affiliated with the United Nations Department of Public Information (DPI). This affiliation gives Rutgers faculty, students, and staff access to the United Nations and its many resources through briefings, information sessions, panels, internships, volunteer opportunities, and more. Contact Maryella Hannum at mhannum@gaiacenters.rutgers.edu for more information.

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6,480 international students

Over 140 study abroad programs

Over 10 service-learning programs

Over 100 free globally related events