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## Global Programs

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, provides numerous opportunities for the campus community to incorporate international perspectives and experiences. Global Programs works closely with campuses, schools, and units in an effort to encourage and support faculty research and scholarship. Its aim is to develop and facilitate activities that engage faculty, staff, and students around topics of pressing global concern. Many programs, such as the Biennial Theme and the university's affiliation with the United Nations (UN), are infused with international content and aid in developing global perspectives.

The Biennial Theme is a series of events that create a framework to discuss and address today's critical global topics. Each theme is supported by our faculty's extensive knowledge on relevant topics such as climate change, linguistic and cultural diversity, and human rights. Activists, artists, policymakers, and scholars bring their expertise and talent through the unifying theme. These events not only provide knowledge and draw attention to global issues, but also create a variety of forums for faculty to engage their students.

In 2009, Rutgers became one of a select few universities to form an affiliation with the United Nations Department of Public Information. UN briefings, as well as class visits, internships, and networking opportunities, give students and faculty valuable insights to a world of diplomacy and relevant work toward global solutions. The affiliation provides opportunities for Rutgers to bring the UN to campus and for Rutgers students to visit the UN as well. This relationship, along with other crosscutting global programs, transforms students into future leaders of today's global society.

Rutgers is rich with educational opportunities that internationalize our campus and surrounding communities. By developing and facilitating programs that foster teaching, learning, and research, global engagement is encouraged and supported for the Rutgers community. Both within and outside of the classroom, Global Programs encourage Rutgers faculty, staff, and students to be citizens of the world.