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Wisconsin and the World

The boundaries of our campus extend to all the many places around the world where the University of Wisconsin–Madison is making a difference.

Research universities of UW–Madison’s quality are among the world’s greatest contributors to understanding and addressing issues of global significance and local relevance. And we have a strong tradition of preparing our students to lead in an increasingly international sphere.

Today, more than ever, we value our partnerships with alumni, researchers, businesses, and peer institutions around the world as we address the issues that accompany this phase of globalization: environmental sustainability, economic interdependence, national security, migration, and human rights.

This is the role and responsibility of a great global public research university that is serving the people of Wisconsin, the nation, and the world.

Carolyn “Biddy” Martin
Chancellor, University of Wisconsin–Madison



Robert Barker

Since 2004, the Shanghai Jiao Tong University academic ranking has placed UW–Madison in the top 20 research universities worldwide.

In 2008, U.S. News & World Report listed study abroad and international learning communities as two “programs to look for” at UW–Madison.

Global Citizens: Education and Training

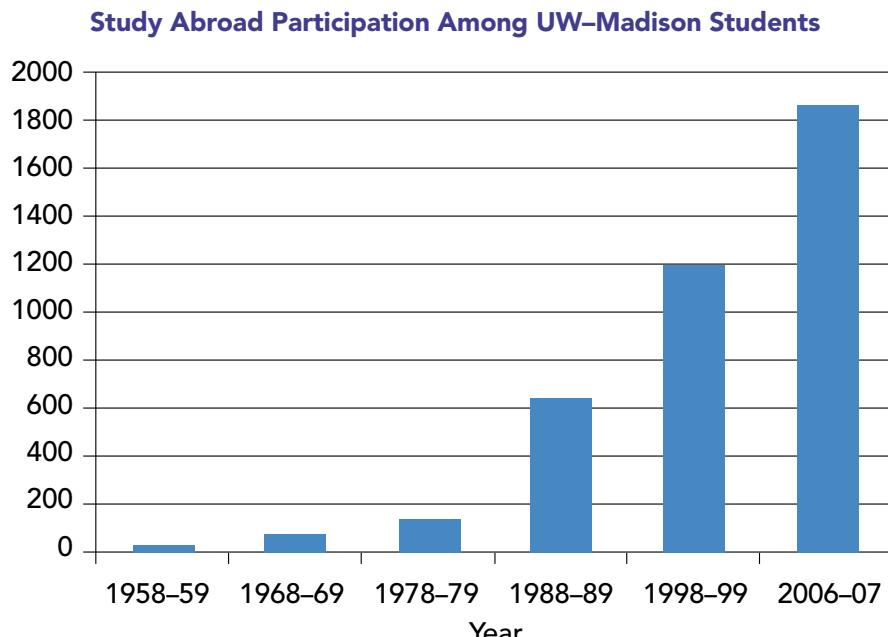
The Wisconsin Experience does not just take place on the UW–Madison campus.

Every day, hundreds of UW–Madison faculty and students engage in scholarship and service in dozens of countries around the world.

Through international learning opportunities—from language courses on campus to academic internships in Thailand—UW–Madison ensures that all of our students, whatever their majors, graduate with the skills, attitudes, and knowledge to navigate in our increasingly interconnected world.

We know that global citizens make global leaders.

More than 20,000 UW–Madison students have studied abroad since the university offered its first study abroad program in 1959.



*In 2006–2007, UW–Madison ranked 10th among U.S. research universities for **study abroad participation**—1,900 UW–Madison students of all majors participated in one of the 223 study abroad programs offered by the university in 51 countries. The participation increased 14 percent from the previous year.*



Critical language instruction

UW–Madison offers instruction in the languages identified as “critical” in the U.S. Department of Education’s 2006 National Security Language Initiative, including Hindi, Persian, Russian, Arabic, and Chinese.



“Developing your skills in an international setting is essential. The world is only getting smaller, faster, and better connected. We are meeting people and going places that no one even thought possible 50 years ago... Imagine 50 years from now—it doesn’t leave any room for error. International experience is essential.”

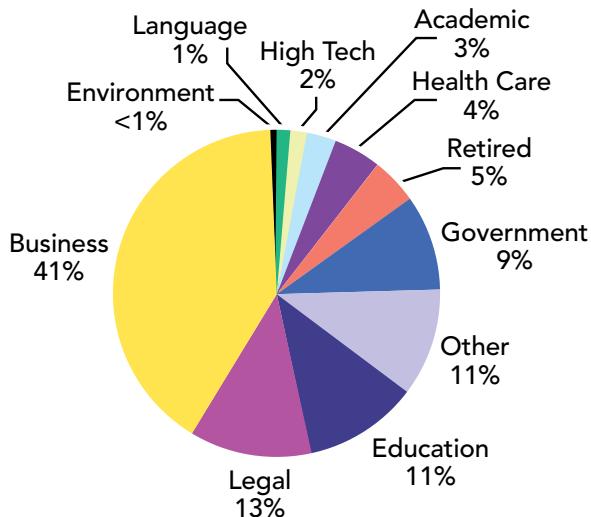
—Ben Hesprich, UW–Madison undergraduate majoring in management and human resources

Ben studied in Varnasi, India and interned at the Wisconsin-based Promega Corporation’s office in Madrid, Spain.

For more of Ben’s story and information about other students who have studied and trained abroad visit:
badgersabroad.wisc.edu/blog

Close to 500 undergraduates are majoring in International Studies, and 17 percent of undergraduates earn some of their credits abroad.

What Career Areas Do Graduates With International Majors Pursue?



From a 2003 survey of UW alumni with an international major

Students can earn one or more of the **18 international certificates** offered in schools and colleges across campus, including certificates in Global Health, Middle East Studies, Celtic Studies, and International Engineering.

UW–Madison offers instruction in **more than 85 languages**.

Of the area and international programs that comprise the **International Institute**, eight (marked with an asterisk) are U.S. Department of Education Title VI National Resource Centers, a record number nationwide.

Global Studies*
African Studies Program*
Center for East Asian Studies*
Center for European Studies*
Center for German and European Studies
Center for Interdisciplinary French Studies
Center for Russia, East Europe and Central Asia*
Center for South Asia*
Center for South East Asian Studies*
European Union Center of Excellence
Latin American, Caribbean and Iberian Studies Program*
Middle East Studies Program
Center for World Affairs and Global Economy (WAGE)
Global Cultures Program
International Studies Major
International Academic Programs

Each year UW–Madison hosts a Diplomat-in-Residence and a Distinguished International Visitor who share their international service experience with faculty and students.



Our current Distinguished International Visitor, Florence Chenoweth, earned an M.S. and a Ph.D. from UW–Madison and served as executive director of the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization liaison office in New York. In Madison, Chenoweth is managing director of UW–Madison’s Human Rights Initiative.

Students in one of our six **International Learning Communities** live on residential housing floors with designated languages including Arabic, Italian, German, Japanese, Spanish, and the Nordic languages.



Bryce Richter/University Communications



Rebecca Gilsdorf, a junior majoring in civil engineering, participated in a 2008 service-learning course building water tanks in rural Ugandan villages.

The summer after her sophomore year, Rebecca spent a month in Rabat, Morocco teaching English.

For more of Rebecca's story, visit:
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In 2008, UW–Madison ranked ninth among U.S. research universities in the number of Fulbright Fellowships awarded to graduate students.

UW–Madison hosts nearly 4,000 international students from more than 100 countries each year, putting us in the top 20 of research universities nationwide.

Badgers Abroad!
Of the more than 360,000 living UW–Madison alumni, 15,000 currently live outside of the United States.

At UW–Madison students can choose from more than 100 **international student-run organizations**, including Wisconsin International Students Association, Students Against Malnutrition, Polish Student Association, and an Engineers Without Borders chapter.



Established in 2005 by UW–Madison students, the Village Health Project promotes health and nutrition in Uganda through the construction of rainwater collection tanks and water filters.

Global Action: Research and Public Service

Globalization will alter all of our lives. An increasingly interdependent world offers us great opportunities, but also many challenges. Most crucial among them is the quest to protect and secure stable, safe, and just lives for every human on earth.

From flu strains to stem cells, discoveries of global significance give UW–Madison its name in research and education and make international collaboration essential to faculty success. Partnerships and outreach worldwide also allow our scholars and researchers to connect our growing understanding of the world to public policy and practice.

UW–Madison has one of the strongest and longest traditions of activism, involvement, and service in alleviating suffering around the globe.

"There is a need for a Wisconsin Idea for the whole world... As we all know, the United States is permanently involved in world affairs. So is the University of Wisconsin, in line with its tradition of state and national service. And thus we have, for now and the future, a new dimension of the Wisconsin Idea."

—UW President, Fred Harvey Harrington, September 6, 1960



The Worldwide Universities Network (WUN) is a consortium of 17 leading public research universities from around the world. A founding member of WUN, UW–Madison works with other WUN members to strengthen international partnerships and advance knowledge and understanding on issues of global concern.

For more on WUN activities at UW–Madison, visit:
intlstudies.wisc.edu/wun

Research by UW–Madison faculty touches people around the world.



Michael Forster-Rathbun



Holding joint appointments at UW–Madison and the University of Tokyo, Professor Yoshihiro Kawaoka engineered a method to generate entire viruses from genetic sequences, a technology that's now used to make flu vaccines.

In the School of Veterinary Medicine, Associate Professor Bill Goodger is creating systems for marketing milk from small families as a cooperative in Bangladesh.

A medical anthropologist, Assistant Professor Claire Wendland examines the effects of globalization on biomedicine, particularly in Africa. Her newest research looks at the high maternal mortality rates in southeast Africa and how the explanations for it reflect a rapidly changing society, economy, and biomedical practice.

“Having spent some time working and living in Ecuador, Guatemala, and Botswana, I could not ignore the disparities in quality of life and resources between my life in Canada and the lives of the people I met and saw during my travels and time abroad. Now as a graduate student in educational policy studies, I am focusing my research on global education … to teach our children about global injustices and to provide them with transformative curriculum and pedagogy that moves them to take action as responsible, conscientious global citizens.”

—Kate O’Conner, UW–Madison graduate student in educational policy studies

For more of Kate’s story, visit:
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In 2008, UW–Madison ranked sixth in the nation and second in the total number of graduates who have volunteered in the **Peace Corps** since 1961. In 2007, 99 graduates volunteered; in 2008, 81 graduates volunteered.

China Agriculture University in Beijing and UW–Madison in 2004 formed the **Sino-U.S. Dairy Center** to promote research, development, and trade in both countries. At least one seminar takes place per year, attracting hundreds of dairy professionals from the U.S. and China.

Campus 2020: An International Vision

By building partnerships across disciplines and oceans, the Division of International Studies helps our students, faculty, and community grow with global changes. In the next decade, we will establish activities on campus to support environmental sustainability, understand emerging global powers, and address health concerns that affect us all. We will instill in our students the “global talent” they will need, whether they work halfway around the world or in a Wisconsin-based business with an international reach. Our goal is to send 50 percent of our undergraduates abroad by the year 2020.



In 2007–2008, UW–Madison provided more than \$500,000 in **study abroad scholarships** to 310 students.

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Gilles Bousquet
*Dean, Division of International Studies
Director, International Institute*

A 2002 UW–Madison graduate in international relations, Nick Holt now serves at the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, where he coordinates political reporting on Iraq's southern provinces.



For more of Nick's story, visit
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