Higher education partnerships between the U.S. and India have grown in recent years. At the same time, Indian institutions are interested to be more international through a range of approaches including student and faculty exchanges, research collaborations, and “internationalization at home.” But what does “internationalization” mean in this context?

The University of Denver and Rajika Bhandari Advisors have a five-pronged approach to help university administrators and faculty involved in international partnerships:

- Robust online course
- Digital guide on internationalization
- Capstone projects
- Virtual knowledge exchange
- Selective in-person U.S. study tour
The sheer diversity in types of institutions and independence to enter agreements are two main barriers. Improved collaboration can happen if U.S. and Indian institutions have:

- Shared understanding of base regulations
- Successful models to follow
- Standardized terminology and timelines
- Shared data
- Consistent standards and practices widely shared

By registering and taking an online course both U.S. and Indian institutions can move forward in establishing functioning, long term partnerships.

Sample Course Modules

- Internationalization 101
- India’s National Education Policy (NEP)
- Technology enhanced internationalization
- Inter-cultural competence
- Introduction to U.S. higher education systems
- Vocational and skill development in the Indian context
- U.S.–India educational ties
- Partnership models and frameworks for internationalization
- International student recruitment and pathways
- International collaborations (research, mobility, curriculum)

Project Team

Rajika Bhandari, Ph.D.
Principal
Rajika Bhandari Advisors

Uttiyo Raychaudhuri, Ph.D.
Vice Provost for Internationalization
University of Denver

Melquin Ramos
Grant Research Coordinator
University of Denver

Contact us:

University of Denver
Office of Internationalization

du.edu/intz
melquin.ramos@du.edu

This is a program of the Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs, U.S. Department of State.