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The Global Summer Program (GSP):
 then, now and in the future

Right, the chronology:

2006 Inaugural Presidents' Meeting proposes a model for summer programs:

- a. Students travel to a host member university and undertake a summer school program with students from the host university – could last for between six and twelve weeks. This could involve anywhere between two and ten member universities
- b. A corporation or government agency provides internships for a cohort of students from all member universities – perhaps two from each for a total of twenty.

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May 2007: ANU-NUS-Yale conference call, to create a process for a credit-bearing Global Summer College in 2008.

- IARU members could choose to participate, choose to subsidize the \$2000-3000 tuition fees, but would follow agreed-on processes for managing enrollment processes
- The language of instruction would be English, and courses would be 5 weeks in duration
- Courses would run between June 16 and August 15

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Aims, Description and Principles

In 2008 and 2009, representatives of all IARU member institutions met to put forward specific proposals and to agree on principles and pragmatics.

IARU Global Summer Program Aims

Prepared by the GSP Working Committee at its meeting in Oxford, 14-15 September 2009 - we meet each year in September.

The IARU Global Summer Program aims to:

1. Enable students to develop a global perspective
2. Provide students with an intensive summer learning experience
3. Strengthen the ties between the member institutions of the International Alliance of Research Universities.

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Description

What is the IARU Global Summer Program?

The Global Summer Program is an educational initiative undertaken as part of the collaboration among a group of leading research universities (IARU). IARU members are committed to the internationalization of their campuses and the preparation of their students to be global leaders. Faculty on each campus teach intensive summer courses designed for students drawn from member institutions. Learning together in the classroom, these students form an international community of young scholars who also learn from and about each other.

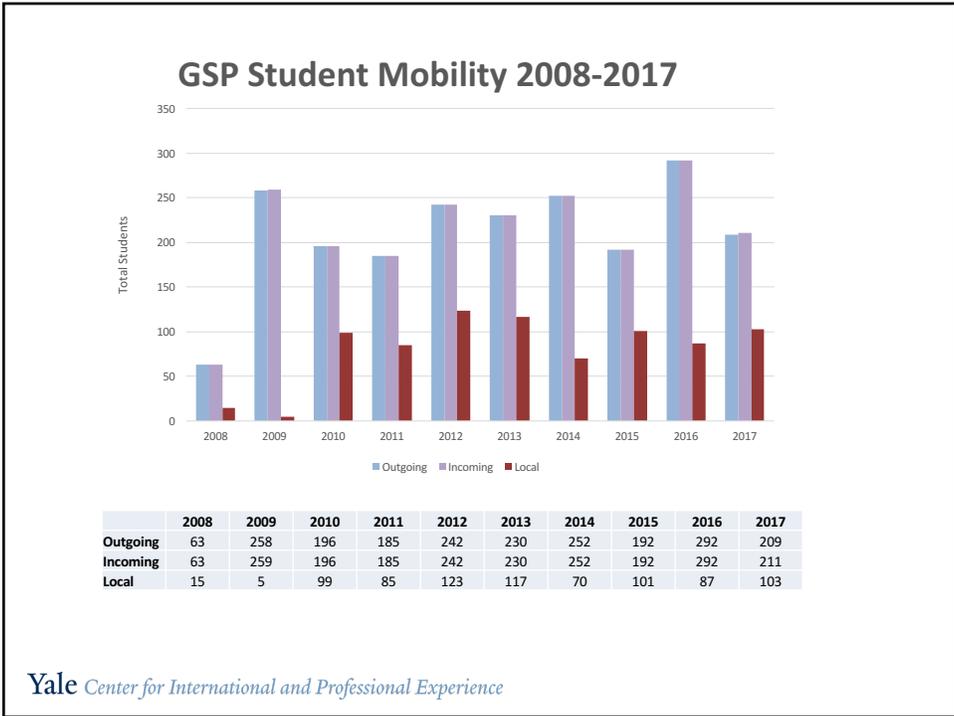
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The GSP unique experience

Students will:

- Address critical issues in global perspective.
- Work with outstanding peers from around the globe.
- Learn intensively at a foreign university.
- Learn from top researchers.

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Over the intervening years

Three major areas of negotiation

- Calendar
- Money
- Credit

AND

Institutional agendas: complicated
and sometimes conflicted

AND

Communications: both within and among
member universities, this can be a challenge

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GSP at a Crossroads

Opportunities and Challenges: 2018 and Beyond

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Opportunities:

- Build on the current GSP infrastructure to create bilateral as well as multilateral programs. These programs will be:
 - *Interdisciplinary*
 - *Field-based*
 - *Collaboratively designed and taught*
 - *Pedagogically innovative*

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Example: Global Transformation (GT)

- Collaboration between the University of California at Berkeley and the University of Copenhagen for 2018, with local faculty support from Thammasat University.
 - *Location: Thailand*
 - *Focus: The research process, including the epistemologies and ethics involved in conducting research in the field. Approach will allow students to immerse themselves in both critical theory and critical engagement with the developing world.*

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Future Global Transformation (GT) Programs

- *Topic Area: Cultural Preservation*
 - *Location: TBD*
 - *Possible Partners: Yale, the National University of Singapore, Australian National University, Peking University, University of Oxford*
- *Topic Area: Sustainability and Resource Allocation*
 - *Location: Singapore*
 - *Possible Partners: Yale, the National University of Singapore, ETH Zurich, Berkeley*

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Opportunities

- Build multi-level research opportunities for faculty, graduate, and undergraduate students that combine theoretical study with "hands-on" experience.
- Examples:
 - *"Mountain Forests and Risk Management"* ETH Zurich (2017)
 - *"Sustainable Water Management"* University of Cape Town (2018)

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Expanding the Footprint of the GSP: Benefits to IARU Partners

- GSP programs build infrastructure for future faculty and institutional collaborations.
- GSP programs are "laboratories" for developing pedagogical innovations that can be used across the home institution.
- GSP programs allow each partner to develop curriculum and research that address institutional priorities.

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Challenges

Program development will require additional institutional support in the form of:

- *Student funding*
- *Support for marketing and increasing visibility*
- *Faculty incentives for collaborative program development*
- *Program “seed” money*
- *Support for research on student outcomes*

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Marketing

The GSP needs to create a new narrative of competitive advantage to differentiate it from other summer options:

- *Re-position the program as an “honors” program*
- *Participants named “IARU Scholars”*
- *Merit-based funding*
- *Highlight the international student cohort and focus on pressing 21st century problems (e.g. sustainability, global health, urbanism)*

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Multi-pronged Marketing

- IARU/GSP website and overall messaging must be the responsibility of the Alliance (and Secretariat)
- Each partner must reinforce the marketing messages created by the Alliance on its website and internal marketing

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Next Steps

- Campus-based discussions between Senior Officers and those managing the Global Summer Program
- Communication within IARU about the level of priority to assign to the GSP
- Commitment of appropriate resources on campuses and within the Secretariat

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Thank you for your attention.



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