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**PHILOSOPHY AND CRITERIA FOR
INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION**

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International education in the District encourages programs that support learning about other cultures and global issues and fosters the exchange of Californians and international students and scholars. This may be achieved through:

- Development of courses of study in as many fields as possible to increase students' understanding of global issues and cultural differences.
- The offering of courses in languages other than English to educate students to communicate effectively in other cultures and to enhance their understanding of other nations' values.
- Opportunities for students in all majors to participate in study abroad programs to enrich their academic experience, perspectives, and personal development.
- Opportunities for domestic and international students to interact effectively and routinely share their views, perceptions, and experiences in educational settings.
- Development of innovative public educational forums and venues to explore global issues and showcase world cultures.

Further, the District:

- Encourages the presence of qualified students from other countries with sufficient geographic diversity to inspire an appreciation for differences among cultures and a deeper understanding of the values and perspectives of other people.
- Facilitates faculty exchange and collaborative partnership programs with institutions in other countries.
- Initiates collaborative research undertakings to address issues of global significance.
- Recruits and retains the best faculty to educate California's students as globally competent citizens.

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