

Question Time

There have been a number of recent developments on the Purdue Fort Wayne campus that have contributed to a general undermining of international services and programs. Among these developments are:

- The elimination in 2016 of 2/3 international language majors on campus;
- A reduction in study abroad scholarships and programs as a result of split from IU;
- Reduced funding for international faculty research as a result of the split from IU;
- Recent imposition of a \$375/semester fee on all degree-seeking international students;
- A complete absence in our new Brand Book of any reference to the contribution this campus makes to global/international education in Northeast Indiana.

While some of these developments are clearly the result of the recent IU/PU split, and therefore are not directly attributable to the Purdue FW administration, it would nonetheless appear that the goals of internationalization on this campus, as articulated in the Strategic Plan 2020, are in the process of being abandoned. What is the administration's commitment to internationalization on this campus in light of the above? (And by "internationalization," I mean not just the recruitment of international students, but also the promotion of international academic programs on our campus, study abroad programs and international research by faculty). What *specific* steps is the administration taking, or planning to take, to advance/promote/support the internationalization goals stated in the Strategic Plan 2020?

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