

Fundamentals of Effective Student Orientations for both Preparing and Welcoming Students

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• Total number of graduates since INSA was created (1957)	34 000
• Total number of students in engineering	5 400
• Graduates in 2012	958
• PhD students	640
• Permanent staff (among which 550 professors)	1 230
• % foreign students (85 nationalities)	30 %
• % female students	34 %
• Foreign partner universities	200

University of Wisconsin–Madison

- 42,820 total students (Fall 2012)
 - 29,167 undergraduate students
 - 9,201 graduate students
- 2,022 faculty members
- 236,901: Population of Madison, WI



University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

- 39,868 total students (Spring 2013)
 - 30,459 undergraduate students
 - 6,451 engineering undergrads
 - 9,409 graduate students
 - 2,591 engineering grads
- 2,975 faculty members
 - 400+ engineering faculty

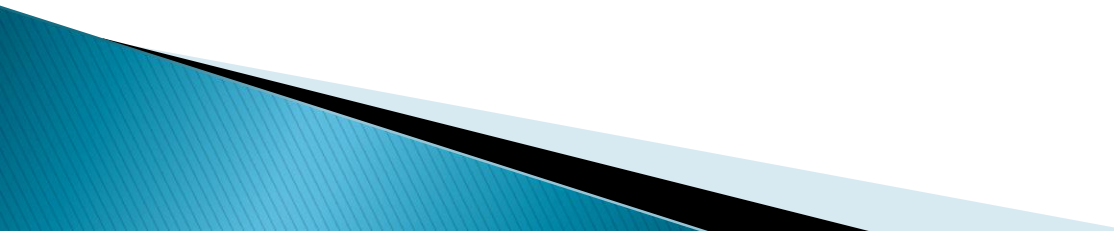
Inbound students



Preparing Inbound Students

- Incoming
 - Pre-arrival information
 - On-site
 - Ice Breakers
 - Campus/University Overview
 - Health/Safety
 - Host Student Overview-Campus Life
 - Student panel at main orient
 - Student life orient
 - Interacting with host-school students


Inbound Students (cont'd)...

- Educational Systems
 - Tours
 - Social Events
 - Post-orientation survey
 - Handbook
 - Residence permit
 - Exams
 - Evaluation system
 - Registration & Courses
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Outbound students

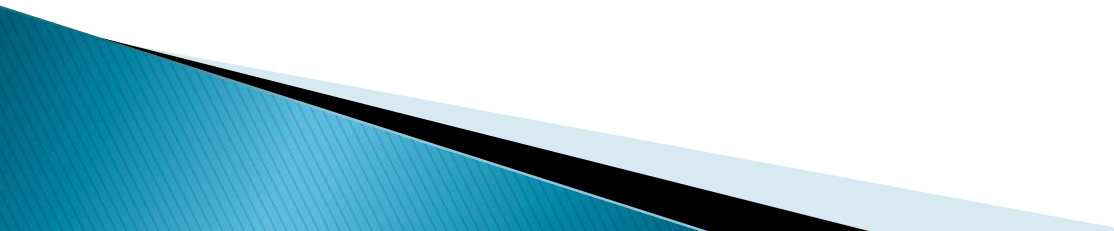


Preparing Students to Go...

- Pre-Departure Handbook
 - Detailed Resource to give students/parents
 - Orientation
 - Paying for Study Abroad
 - Cultural Preparedness
 - Course Approval Processes
 - Insurance
 - Visas
 - Behavioral Expectations
 - Ambassadors /withdrawal policies
 - Pre-departure meetings
 - Peer session
 - Contact information
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Interactive Discussion Topics:

Other Processes

- Importance of Learning Agreements – how do you use
 - Student Expectations
 - Other Ways to Communicate Information to students
 - Facebook, Twitter, etc.
 - What other information do you wish your students knew before their departure to or after arrival to their study abroad destination?
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Students must be proactive

