

# 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

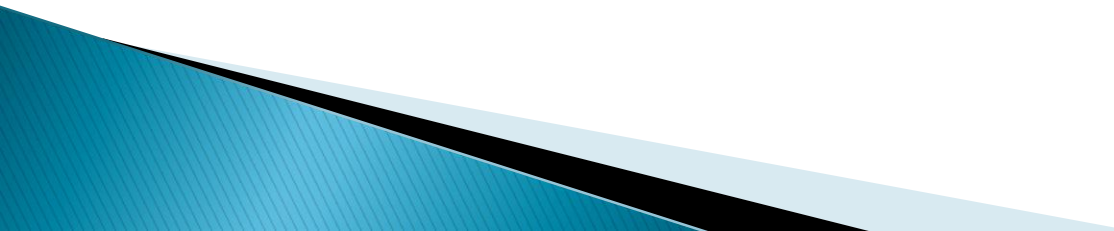
# Inbound students



# 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

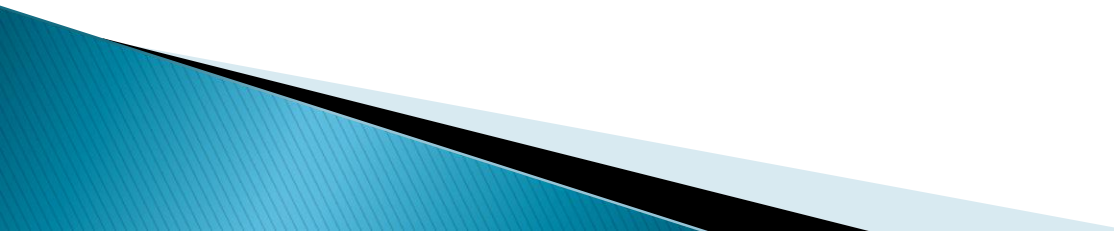


# Preparing Students to Go...

- 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

