INDIA REGIONAL STRATEGY GROUP REPORT

Year 1

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Related Local Institutions

Indo U.S. Business Network
CCHMC Global Health Center

Activities of Focus for Next Few Years

- Pilot scholarships for Indian students to participate in UC-led programs in India
- Develop short-term internships and co-op opportunities
- Recruitment of additional students from India
- Joint research projects
- Faculty exchange; conducting short-term workshops
Indian Regions & Institutions Identified for Potential Strategic Alliance

Because institutions of higher education in Indian are more discipline specific, the India Strategy Group focused their efforts on identifying cities that would provide opportunities to engage with multiple institutions. The Group identified three geographic regions to focus upon. Their choices were based upon group members personal visits and experiences, a review of present and past relationships, areas of opportunity, and curricular similarities.

Northern India
Focus Cities

Chandigarh and Dehradun
The committee felt that we should not focus all of our activities in the top tier metro areas because the best institutions in these areas may be over-saturated with international relationships.

Chandigarh was identified as a desirable location for activities in northern India and a locale which would be appealing to U.S. students. Panjab University is one of the oldest universities in India and is comprehensive with 65 departments.

Dehradun is a location that houses some of the finest high schools in India. Because undergraduate student recruitment is an identified activity, this is a plus for selecting this region.

Both cities are accessible by bus, rail and air to New Delhi.

Western India
Focus City

Mumbai
Mumbai is a major metro area with many institutions of higher education. It is home to many international corporations making it an excellent location for potential international co-op experiences.

India’s premier engineering and technology schools are located here: the Indian Institute of Technology, University Institute of Chemical Technology and Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute. The University of Mumbai is a comprehensive institution with 23 colleges, many of which parallel UC’s.

Southern India
Focus Cities

Bangalore/Mysore/Vellore
These three cities provide excellent opportunities for multiple discipline collaborations. Bangalore is home to two Bangalore University campuses and many nationally renowned professional institutes in areas such as science, management, design, law, and information technology to name a few.

The medical college in Vellore is one of the largest medical centres in India and is ranked second in the nation.

Cincinnati’s Sister City, Mysore, is home to the University of Mysore which has 122 affiliated colleges and 5 constituent colleges. Also located in Mysore are the International School of Information Management and the National Institute of Engineering.