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- Identify South Korean partner institution
- Research identified Japanese institutions further, videoconference, visit, and sign MOU with best match in terms of diversity of programs, location, cost, mutual interest
- Finalize selection of an appropriate Taiwanese institution
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Japan
UC has active student exchange agreements with both Nagoya and Chiba universities. Our new French partner, University of Bordeaux, has a long-standing partnership with Tsukuba University. A small delegation from the Asia Strategy Group will visit both Tsukuba and Chiba in mid-May to pursue expanding the Chiba relationship or possibly entering into a more comprehensive relationship with Tsukuba.

Challenges in identifying an optimal partner in Japan are:
- Finding an institution with significant instruction in English to allow for student exchange of a term
- Overcoming UC’s safety perception in Japan
- UC students’ declining interest study in Japan
- Finding an institution where the academic calendar most closely matches the UC academic calendar

Taiwan
As of this writing, members are visiting three Taiwanese institutions having emailed, phoned, and videoconferenced. We have every expectation that we will confirm our Taiwanese partner(s) following this visit.

Asia University
Location: Taichung
Enrollment: 12,000
Degree Programs: Medical & health sciences, management, humanities, social sciences, creative design, biotechnology, nursing, and engineering.

National Taiwan University
Location: Taipei
Enrollment: 33,000
Faculty: 4,000+
Degree Programs: NTU has 11 colleges and 54 departments ranging from liberal arts, science, social sciences, medicine, engineering, and law to management public health computer science, and life science.

Republic of Korea
The Asia Group delegation will also visit two universities in mid-May having been identified for further investigation through videoconferencing and a personal visit to UC by Sogang. We hope these visits will determine sincere interest in partnering and similar academic goals and objectives.

Pusan National University
Location: Busan
Enrollment: 26,500
Degree Programs: From baccalaureate through doctoral; 18 colleges and schools across disciplines such as humanities, social science, natural science, education, engineering, business, pharmacy, arts, law, medicine. Ranked by ARWU* in top 500.

China Medical University
Location: Taichung
Enrollment: 7,000
Degree Programs: Medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, public health, occupational safety and health, physical therapy, lab science and biotechnology, radiological science, sports medicine nutrition, etc.

Sogang University
Location: Seoul
Enrollment: 15,000
Faculty: 1,400
Degree Programs: Range from bachelor’s through doctoral programs in disciplines ranging from humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, engineering to business, law, education, information technology.

*Academic Ranking of World Universities