

**Kern Community College
District Administrative Procedure
Chapter 4 – Academic Affairs**

AP 4026 Philosophy and Criteria for International Education

References:

Education Code Section 66015.7

Note: This procedure is legally advised.

International Education should encourage programs that support learning about other cultures, global issues, and the exchange of Californians and international students and scholars such as:

- Develop courses of study in as many fields as possible to increase students' understanding of global issues and cultural differences;
- Offer courses in languages other than English to train students to communicate effectively in other cultures and to enhance their understanding of other nations' values;
- Provide opportunities for students in all majors to participate in Study Abroad programs to enrich their academic training, perspectives, and personal development;
- Provide opportunities for domestic and international students to interact effectively and routinely share their views, perceptions, and experiences in educational settings; and
- Develop innovative public educational forums and venues to explore global issues and showcase world cultures.

For international students and scholars,

- Encourage the presence of qualified students from other countries with sufficient geographic diversity to inspire an appreciation for differences among cultures and a deeper understanding of the values and perspectives of other people;
- Facilitate faculty exchange and collaborative partnership programs with institutions in other countries;
- Initiate collaborative research undertakings to address issues of global significance; and
- Recruit and retain the world's best and brightest faculty to educate California's students as globally competent citizens.