MISSION, VISION, & GOALS

MISSION
The mission of the International Programs Office is to promote the importance of collaborative international scholarly activity of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences for the enhanced economic, environmental and social well-being of people in North Carolina and beyond.

VISION
Through the leadership of its International Programs Office, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences is among the nation’s foremost land-grant colleges in actively integrating dynamic international scholarly activity as an essential component of research, teaching and extension programs.

GOALS
- Encourage and facilitate interactive learning across borders, cultures and disciplines to prepare students and faculty to contribute positively in a global economy and society. (This includes the facilitation of training for foreign students in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences as well as study abroad experiences for domestic students)
- Develop and promote mutually beneficial research, teaching and outreach partnerships of the college’s faculty and students with private industry and educational and governmental institutions abroad. Such partnerships should be aimed at discovering, teaching and applying knowledge and technology for improving the global competitiveness of North Carolina’s private sector and for enhancing the agricultural, economic, environmental and social well-being of people in North Carolina and beyond.
- Coordinate the college’s international activities with those of the university, the University of North Carolina system and other agencies and institutions.
- Inform faculty, staff and students of opportunities and resources available for international academic study, research and outreach.
- Recruit adequate private funds to supplement the CALS-appropriated International Programs budget, with the ultimate objective of establishing an International Programs Travel and Study Endowment. Such funds are needed to accomplish other goals, especially to enable the participation of more students and faculty.

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