Our Mission
International Affairs advances the global vision of Texas Tech University by promoting international leadership, awareness, education, scholarship, and outreach for the university and the greater community.

Our Vision
International Affairs will broaden the global reputation of the university by integrating international education, scholarship, and engagement with global issues, and by strengthening intercultural understanding for students, faculty, staff, and the greater community.

Center for Global Communication (CGC)
The Center for Global Communication (CGC) develops and advances educational programming and resources that enhance communication as well as multicultural skills for students to effectively converse in a global context. CGC provides resources for students interested in learning more about global challenges, speaker programs for faculty to raise awareness of global issues, and global challenge teaching modules for faculty.

Fulbright
TTU-Fulbright Scholar Liaisons at International Affairs are available to provide faculty and staff/admin with detailed information about the different Fulbright programs, application process and guidelines. TTU-Fulbright Liaisons can help you develop an application plan, provide guidance on the development of the proposal and identify a potential TTU-Fulbright Alumni mentor who can support you through the application process among other services.

International Center for Arid and Semi-Arid Land Studies (ICASALS)
ICASALS promotes the University’s special mission of the interdisciplinary study of arid and semiarid environments and the human relationship to these environments from an international perspective. The purpose of ICASALS is to stimulate, coordinate and implement teaching, research, and public service activities concerning all aspects of the world’s arid and semiarid regions, their people and their problems.

International Grants Administration and Partnerships (IGAP)
IGAP works with faculty to identify and disseminate international research and development grant opportunities and to help develop and submit multidisciplinary proposals to funding agencies. Additionally, they work with faculty to develop partnerships with international institutions to further enhance the international reputation of Texas Tech University.

International Relations (IR)
Comprised of International Alumni Relations, International Arts and Culture (art exhibits, speakers, etc.), International Scholars Engagement, and International Fundraising, IR engages and connects TTU alumni, scholars, and donors and brings cultural programming to the multiple and diverse South Plains and TTU communities.

International Student Life (ISL)
International Student Life plans activities for international students and coordinates with other offices on campus to provide services and programmatic support to all international students. From airport pick-up to advising the International Student Advisory Board, this office is the go-to place for international students.

International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS)
ISSS operates the university’s international student and exchange visitor immigration programs and provides employment-based immigration services to the university. It also oversees the office of International Student Life. Counselors advise and assist international students and scholars concerning immigration rules, financial concerns, and cross-cultural issues.

K-12 Global Education Outreach (K-12 GEO)
The award winning K-12 GEO unit serves as a liaison for the university to provide cultural enrichment opportunities by offering cultural programming to K-12 students from public, private, and home schools throughout the South Plains.

Passport Office
International Affairs operates a passport office and can take your passport photos and process your passport application.

Study Abroad (SA)
SA coordinates all study abroad programs for Texas Tech University students, including international internships, service-learning, and research. The Texas Tech Center in Sevilla, Spain, offers students the opportunity to take Texas Tech catalog classes. Students may participate in an intensive Spanish language program (equivalent to four semesters), or take engineering, architecture, or pre-health courses. Students live with host families and are immersed in the language and culture through excursions and day-to-day experiences.
Points of Pride

**FROM HERE, IT’S POSSIBLE.™**

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**International Seed Funding**

Each year, International Affairs has various seed funding programs available. The Study Abroad Program Development Initiative supports faculty interested in developing a faculty-led study abroad program. Global Exchange Research Seed grants are available for faculty interested in developing international research collaborations as well as the TTU-CATIE (Costa Rica) Research Exchange Program for the exchange of faculty. Other seed funding includes conference travel grants.

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**International Research Network**

The International Research Network (IRN) seeks to promote, assist, and encourage participation in developing the international research presence and efforts at TTU. The IRN is a platform built to engage a community of scholars interested in international research in all areas of scholarly research within the university.

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**Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders**

Texas Tech University was selected to host its fifth Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders. The cohort of 24 Mandela Fellows participates in a variety of classroom sessions, site visits, and community service projects over a six-week leadership institute empowering them with skills they can utilize upon their return to their communities in Africa.

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**Global Connections Magazine**

International Affairs established the Global Connections magazine highlighting many of the current programs, accolades, and initiatives made possible through the unwavering support and global vision of the Texas Tech community, international students, faculty, staff, and the dedicated efforts of our International Affairs team.

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**University Named 2023 HSI Leader by Fulbright Program, and Top Producer of Fulbright U.S. Scholars**

Texas Tech University has been named a Fulbright Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) Leader for a third consecutive year by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA). In addition, ECA also recognized Texas Tech as one of the nation’s top Fulbright Scholar producing institutions for 2023-2024.

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**International Week**

In 2023, International Affairs at Texas Tech University was excited to organize numerous events in honor of International Week including Open House, Study Abroad Fair, the Annual Fulbright Alumni Reception, Study Abroad Alumni Medal Ceremony, a Tropical Dance Class hosted by TTU Costa Rica, and our much anticipated Culture Fest finale.