

University Leadership and the Rise of Global Cities: The Brookings/JPMorgan Chase *Global Cities Initiative* 

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### Overview

- Columbus, Ohio 15<sup>th</sup> largest city in the U.S.
- The Ohio State University
  - One of the most comprehensive research universities in the world
  - A leader in internationalization and community/university partnerships

### Internationalization at Ohio State

- Office of International Affairs pursues internationalization by:
  - Pursuing strategic partnerships
  - Recruiting and advising international students
    - ► 68,100 students; 6,739 international students (9.9%); 117 countries
    - ► India: 588 total; 135 undergraduate (22%); 453 graduate students (77%).
    - ➤ Top majors: UG/ computer engineering, finance, mechanical and electrical engineering; Graduate/ computer engineering, mechanical and electrical engineering, chemistry
  - Developing <u>education abroad opportunities</u>
  - Implementing <u>curriculum internationalization</u>
  - Supporting <u>faculty research on international topics</u>
  - Establishing Global Gateway Offices: Shanghai (2010); Mumbai (2012); Sao Paulo (2014)



### U.S. higher education is guided by internationalization definitions:

- Globalization: The Context for Internationalization
  - Globalization is the movement of people, ideas, goods, capital, services, pollution, and diseases across borders
- Internationalization
  - Higher education's engagement with that reality
- Internationalization Definition
  - "Comprehensive internationalization is a strategic, coordinated process that seeks to align and integrate policies, programs, and initiatives to position colleges and universities as more globally oriented and internationally connected institutions" (*American Council on Education*)

### Presentation overview

- Analyzes the priority of <u>university/ local community engagement</u> in 21<sup>st</sup> Century internationalization strategies
- Case study: Brookings/ JPMorgan Chase Global Cities Initiative
  - An example of partnership between universities and non-Higher Education Institutions (HIEs)

### The GCI Exchange grows metro economies by:

- Strengthening global awareness and economic competitiveness
- Producing <u>data/ analysis for decision making</u>
- Fostering <u>practice and policy innovations</u>
- Integrating public, private, civic sector partnerships into a peer learning network
- In the <u>U.S.</u>, <u>32 cities</u>, including Columbus, Ohio, participate; <u>many included university collaboration</u>

Participating cities, such as Columbus, Ohio, conducted a market analysis on the metro region in terms of:

- Global trade issues
- Metro region's standing on critical global economic measures
- Identification of best policy and practice innovations



# The 2014 Columbus Global Connect Global Trade and Investment Plan contains five strategies:

- Reorient business retention and expansion activity
- Strengthen and diversify geographic markets
- Activate existing global networks
- Cultivate the next generation of global companies
- Create a more global business environment



# Creating a more global business environment combines global identity and connectivity to attract talent from around the world

<u>University/ Community</u> principles and tactics:

- Global talent ready for global competition
  - Develop <u>global learning curricula</u> that prepares graduates, regardless of discipline, to operate and excel in a globalized world
  - Prioritize complementary <u>faculty research themes</u>
- Global mindset, global destination
  - Recognize/ capitalize on the <u>unique global presence of the region's</u> <u>colleges/universities</u> (reinforce globally oriented domestic/ international students)
  - Promote a global metro Columbus brand

# Implications – Global forces reshape U.S. and non-U.S. metropolitan areas

- Greater global integration:
  - International trade has tripled as a share of global output since 1950
- Rapid urbanization
  - In 2012, the top <u>300 metropolitan areas accounted for</u> 19% of the world's population, but <u>nearly one-half (48%) of global GDP</u>
- Rapid expansion of a global middle class
  - 70% of global GDP growth between now and 2025 will occur in emerging markets, such as India and China (perhaps Brazil)
  - Less than 4% U.S. firms sell product/services outside our borders



# Implications – Global forces reshape U.S. and non-U.S. metropolitan areas:

- Resulting:
  - Swift global integration
  - Rapid expansion of a global consumer class
  - Rise of urban areas as engines of global economic growth
- Creates need for:
  - City/regional <u>leaders to envision global engagement</u>
  - Higher education with new responsibilities for preparing graduates to engage in an increasingly interconnected world
    - With ...skill, wisdom, and accountability...

### Strategies:

- Institute global learning for all, regardless of major
  - Connect learning experiences to professional practice/community development
- Create public awareness/ <u>understanding of global forces reshaping</u> <u>urban and rural communities</u>
- Key international <u>academic programs</u> to <u>local communities</u>
  - Supporting local internationally oriented businesses
- Reach out to growing <u>immigrant communities</u> in our regions
- Develop projects on global issues and community <u>conversations on</u> <u>global citizenship and responsibility</u>

### **Employers Say Graduates Need Expanded Knowledge and Skills to Succeed in the Global Economy**

(College Learning: New Global Century, 2007; Employer Priorities College Learning Outcomes, 2015)

Essential Skills	% Business Leaders Affirmative Response
<ul> <li>Intercultural Knowledge &amp; Global Issues</li> <li>(Intercultural Skills &amp; Understanding of Societies &amp; Cultures Outside U.S.)</li> </ul>	72 (78)
Roles of U.S. in the World	60
Cultural Values and Traditions (U.S. and global)	53
Intercultural Competence (including ability to work on diverse teams)	76

### Summary:

- Institutionalize global learning broadly across all disciplines
- Connect directly to the international interests of local organizations and businesses
- Pursue goals through partnerships, local and global
- Understand and construct international efforts to have local impact and meaning
- Create sustained structure for dialogue and planning activities