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- How does student mobility contribute to the University's internationalization efforts?
- What programs of the University are aimed at student mobility?
- What are the challenges posed by the pandemic to student mobility?
- What are the strategies of the University to address these challenges?



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RA 9500 An Act to Strengthen UP as the National University

Section 3 Purpose of the University – Letter G:

Serve as a regional and global university in cooperation with international and scientific unions, networks of universities, scholarly and professional associations in the Asia Pacific region and around the world



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Jane Knight, Ontario Institute of Studies in Education: Globalization vs Internationalization

Globalization - 'process that focuses on the worldwide flow of ideas, resources, people, economy, values, culture, knowledge, goods, services, and technology' (Jane Night, Ontario Institute of Studies in Education)

Internationalization 'the relationship between and among nations, people, cultures, institutions, systems'

Jibeen (2015): Internationalization in education 'include(s) diversifying and enhancing the learning environment for the benefit of domestic students, the University, and the nation. Further, it has the potential to change the lives of international students as it helps in producing graduates who are internationally knowledgeable and crossculturally sensitive. The student mobility allows them to transfer to a different environment, where they can understand the connections between the local environment in which they live, and the global environment' (p. 197).

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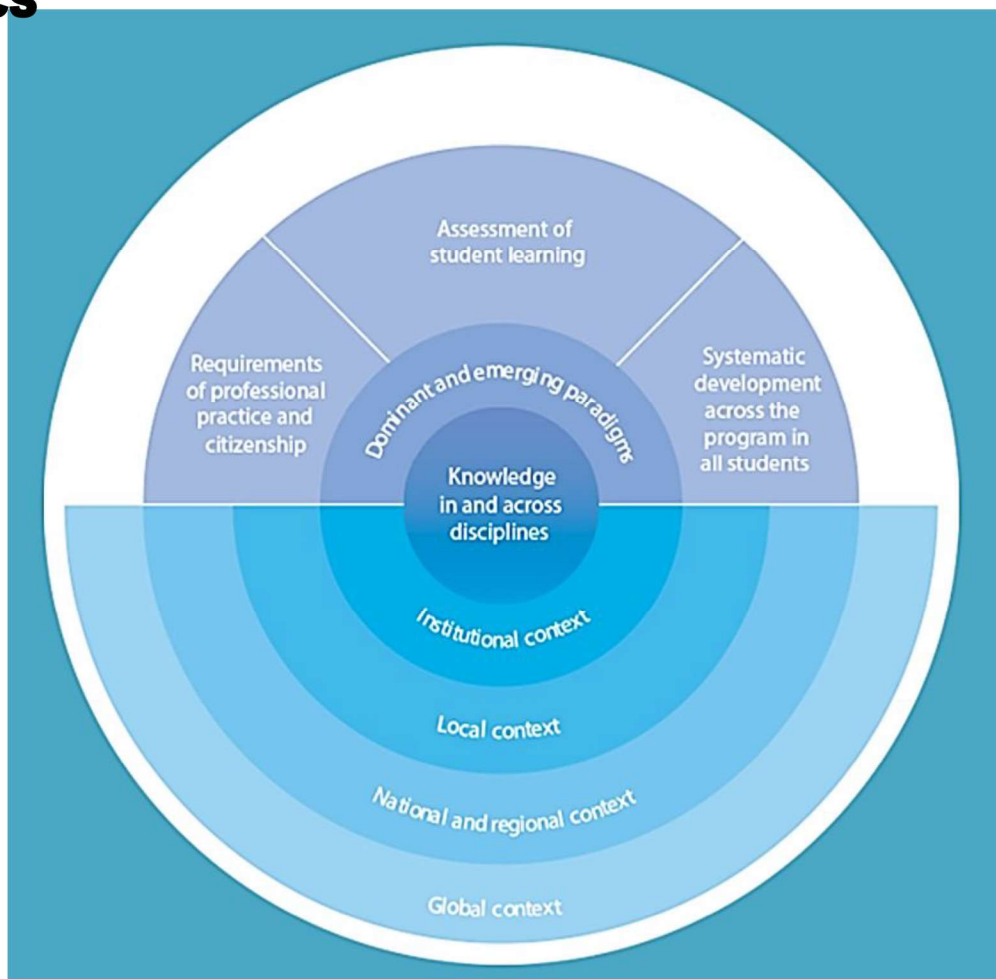


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Student mobility

‘Students move across their national boundaries to another educational institution to study for a limited time. This is regardless of their study purpose to obtain a full degree or to participate in a short-term exchange program.’ (IGI Global)

Student Mobility Programs in UP

- Mobility for Vigor and Excellence – University of the Philippines (MOVE UP) – provides financial support to students based on scholastic records
- Continuous Operational and Outcomes-Based Partnership for Excellence in Research and Academic Training Enhancement (COOPERATE) – develops research and creative resources of the university through partnership with international institutions, aims to increase number of master's and doctoral graduates of the university
- UP Diliman Student Mobility –
 - International Student Exchange Program (ISEP) for undergraduate students
 - Exchange programs for graduate students – 1 to 2 semesters
 - Short-term programs





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- ‘immobility turn’ during the pandemic
- Decline in number of applicants to the internationalization programs during the pandemic
- Gradual lifting of restrictions in recent months

Cairns & Franca (2022): Emphasis on ‘the task of ensuring that mobile transitions can continue, even at a time when the internationalized learning experience is somewhat compromised by the collapse in conviviality during the periods of lockdown.’

Strategies for student mobility

- Virtual mobility
 - Coursera – massive online course provider
- Forging more partnerships
- Involvement in more networks



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Concluding Points

- Readiness for emergency situations
- Bolstering student mobility
- Emphasis on internationalization
- Emphasis on inclusivity



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