

MEMORANDUM

To: University Community

From: Kenneth G. Furton, Ph.D., Provost and Executive Vice President

Date: January 25, 2016

Re: FIU Receives IIE Andrew Heiskell Award for Innovation in International Education

I am delighted to share with you that FIU has been awarded the [2016 Andrew Heiskell Award](#) for Innovation in International Education by the Institute of International Education (IIE). The award distinguishes our *Global Learning for Global Citizenship* initiative as a best practice for successful campus internationalization. Having been given to only 17 institutions to date, this award recognizes the individual and collective efforts of our faculty, staff, and students who have developed and continue to expand the many ways we provide global learning to all.

Since 2010, [Global Learning for Global Citizenship](#) has engaged every undergraduate in multiple global learning experiences inside and outside the classroom, enabling our diverse student body to work together to analyze and address complex global problems. The Faculty Senate has conferred global learning designation to 160 courses across 71 academic departments and more than 550 faculty and staff have participated in global learning professional development. Over 142,000 students have completed global learning courses thus far, and careful assessment studies demonstrate that these have significantly increased our students' global awareness, perspective, and engagement.

*Global Learning for Global Citizenship* began as our institution's Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) for re-affirmation of accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges & Schools (SACS). The fifth year interim report that will be submitted to SACS in March 2016 will document the successful implementation of our initiative, which has become the backbone of the "I" in FIU. The Heiskell Award underlines that *Global Learning for Global Citizenship* has not only been fully embraced by our institution, but serves as a model for others.

I would like to thank and congratulate the many members of the university community who have enabled FIU to provide high-quality global learning to all of our students. In particular, I would like to recognize the efforts of Dr. Hilary Landorf, Director of the Office of Global Learning Initiatives, and her team. Together, we are fulfilling our founding mission to contribute to international understanding by educating every FIU

student for responsible and engaged global citizenship.