

THE INTERNATIONALIZATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION: PERSPECTIVES FROM LATIN AMERICA

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- Regional Access 2006: 20 million (17%)
- 2015/20: 40 million
- Five countries concentrate 80% of the graduate students
- During the last ten years: extreme commercialization
- New trends in horizontal cooperation and integration

Phases of internationalization

- From bilateralism to multilateralism
- NAFTA and Mercosur
- Higher Education Regional and World Conference of UNESCO (1996/1998)
- New networks and associations at a national, subregional and regional level: focusing in pertinence and quality, social responsibility and autonomy.

New Trends

- Construction and consolidation of networks and associations at a national, sub-regional and regional level
- Examples: AUGM (Mercosur), UNICA (Caribbean), CSUCA (Central America), UDUAL (regional), Convenio Andrés Bello (sub-regional), UNAMAZ (sub-regional), Atlantea (Caribbean), Macrouniversities Net (regional), etc.

The Latin America and Caribbean Macrouniversities NeT

- Created formally during 2002/2003 in two rector's meetings: in UCV and UNAM
- Programs: student mobility (more than 200 al graduate level), cooperative research (in ten fundamental scientific areas), cultural and natural heritage, and academic and cultural interchange.
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Macrouniversities:

- Universidad de Buenos Aires (316,000),
Universidad Nacional de Córdoba (117,000),
Universidad Nacional de La Plata (94,200)
(Argentina).
- Universidad Mayor de San Andrés (112,000)
(Bolivia)
- Universidad de Sao Paulo (70,300); Universidad
de Rio de Janeiro (5,400)(Brasil)
- Universidad de Santiago; Universidad de Chile
(Chile)

Macrouniversities...

- Universidad Nacional de Colombia (84,000) (Colombia)
- Universidad de Costa Rica (41,000);
Universidad Nacional (20,000) (Costa Rica)
- Universidad de La Habana (51,500)(Cuba)
- Universidad Central del Ecuador
(42,200)(Ecuador)
- Universidad de El Salvador (30,000)(El Salvador)

Macrouniversities...

- Universidad de San Carlos (110,300)(Guatemala)
- Universidad Autónoma de Honduras (79,300)(Honduras)
- UNAM (270,000), Benemérita Universidad Autónoma de Puebla (36,400); Universidad Autónoma de Sinaloa (41,200); Universidad de Guadalajara (68,100) (México)
- Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Nicaragua (24,700)(Nicaragua)

Macrouniversities

- Universidad de Panamá (71,300)(Panamá)
- Universidad Nacional de Asunción (26,800)(Paraguay)
- Universidad Mayor de San Marcos (32,700)(Perú)
- Universidad de Puerto Rico (71,000)(Puerto Rico)
- Universidad Autónoma de Santo Domingo (161,200) (Republica Dominicana)

Macrouniversities

- Universidad de la República
(87,400)(Uruguay)
- Universidad Central de Venezuela
(58,500); Universidad de Los Andes
(44,800); Universidad de Zulia ((51,500)
(Venezuela)
- As partner: IESALC-UNESCO