

## Supporting SEAS International Programs

International study, once regarded primarily as a means of personal enrichment, is becoming an essential component of the 21<sup>st</sup> century engineer. Through generous donors' support, the Engineering School's International Programs can meet the needs of students pursuing academic, professional and engineering service opportunities abroad.

The School aims to advance this international emphasis by establishing sustained partnerships (U.Va. centers) in a geographically and culturally diverse portfolio of underserved communities worldwide, offering international study scholarships to more students and enhancing various international programs already in place. By the year 2020, the School hopes to engage 70 percent of its students in an international experience by the time they graduate.

Donations to the International Programs Fund will help the School establish an International Engineering minor that begins in classrooms on Grounds and culminates in a unique international study or internship experience. In addition to discipline-specific engineering courses, students will be able to complete language acquisition and cultural preparation courses at U.Va. before traveling to foreign destinations.

**Giving to the International Programs Fund ensures that SEAS students will receive a rich educational experience — one that is essential to their becoming competitively engaged in the global engineering enterprise of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.**

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### Donations to the International Programs Fund will support:

- *Scholarships for academic study abroad in engineering*
- *Faculty support to develop new international programs*
- *Travel grants and stipends to support international internships*
- *Global engineering development project grants*
- *Creation and support of global health partnerships operated in collaboration with other University of Virginia schools (i.e., Medicine, Nursing, Commerce, etc.)*