TO CHANGE THE WORLD, WE MUST FIRST SEEK TO UNDERSTAND IT.

The newly launched School of Global and International Studies (SGIS) at Indiana University has a dual focus that sets it apart from other schools. First, it seeks to research and teach the languages, literatures, histories, and cultures of strategically important regions of the world. At the same time, it examines crucial contemporary issues that transcend national and regional borders—security, trade and development, and human rights. One of the guiding principles of the SGIS is the belief that governments, businesses, and nongovernmental organizations cannot effectively respond to regional and global challenges without understanding how these issues impact individuals and their communities.

IU has long been celebrated for its excellence in teaching languages and cultures, and the School of Global and International Studies builds on that storied tradition. In tandem, the SGIS is rapidly developing expertise in providing pragmatic, nonpartisan solutions to some of the world’s greatest challenges. Perhaps no one better exemplifies the visionary problem-solving skills that the SGIS hopes to instill in its students than two of our celebrated faculty members and internationally respected statesmen, retired senator Richard Lugar and retired congressman Lee Hamilton.

At a time when other schools are cutting back their funding of area studies, IU has chosen to make a significant investment in this new School. In October 2015, Secretary of State John Kerry helped dedicate the beautiful, state-of-the-art Global and International Studies Building at the center of campus. To ensure the highest quality teaching and research, the school is in the process of hiring 25 new faculty members.

With the launch of For All: The Indiana University Bicentennial Campaign, we seek the critical private support to further develop this elite new school and to position it for success for decades to come.
GOAL #1: ATTRACT AND RETAIN THE MOST TALENTED STUDENTS

The School of Global and International Studies strives to attract smart, hardworking, intellectually curious students from a wide variety of backgrounds, regardless of means. We prepare these students for opportunities in any international field they choose, whether they plan to work in the public, private, or nonprofit sector.

To attract the kinds of students who can make the most of this experience and who can shape SGIS for the next generation of students, we already offer a number of scholarships. Nonetheless, supply pales next to demand. We seek your help in significantly expanding the number of scholarships we can offer to undergraduate and graduate students.

We also seek your support for scholarships for overseas study and for international internships—both critical elements of an SGIS education. Currently over 60 percent of our students study abroad and nearly half complete an international internship. At the same time, financial constraints prevent many other students from pursuing these pivotal experiences.

“After 9/11, I knew I wanted to work for the government and help fight my generation’s war, the war against al-Qaida. And my training at IU has helped me in my job at the CIA and today as I deal with the press.”

—Marie Harf ’03

Senior Advisor for Strategic Communications to U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry
GOAL #2: BUILD AN UNPARALLELED FACULTY

To achieve the dual focus that will define and distinguish the School of Global and International Studies, we are building a larger, more multidimensional faculty than other such schools. Toward that end, we believe it is imperative that we have leading experts in the languages, cultures, and histories of strategically important areas as well as in the most pressing global issues of the day.

Your support enables us to continue growing the faculty and to attract the very best in the field—the kind of scholars and teachers who enhance our national and international reputation and make us the institution of choice for new generations of faculty and students. Faculty support provides seed funding for research projects, underwrites travel for research and conferences, encourages collaborations with scholars around the world, and sustains interdisciplinary centers that bring together experts from multiple fields to explore the challenges in our world.

“For all who shape the student experience”

“The tradition of IU as a global university goes back more than 70 years, when IU provided a home to refugees from around the world to pursue their scholarship and teach the next generation of leaders, businesspeople, and well-educated citizens.”

—Lee Feinstein
Dean, School of Global and International Studies
GOAL #3: PREPARE STUDENTS FOR SUCCESS IN A GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT

The School of Global and International Studies offers its students high-quality classes with amazing faculty. At the same time, we seek to create equally powerful programming for students beyond the classroom. Your support will enable us to bring prominent alumni to campus; create in-residence programs with noted experts in the field; provide travel support for student networking trips to Washington, D.C., New York, and San Francisco; and develop short, noncredit-bearing forums in which students will sharpen their skills in career management and the job search.

Also benefitting our students are over 20 centers that enrich the student experience through programming, outreach, research, and teaching. Some of these centers focus on specific areas of the world, others focus on language and culture, and others examine critical issues, like terrorism and security, that transcend regions and national boundaries. While almost all these centers receive grants from government and/or nongovernment organizations, we seek additional private support to expand the impact of these centers and to increase the opportunities for students to work with these scholars and practitioners.
“My success at IU isn’t about my talent, but about other people investing in me. Hard work and opportunity have paid off in a lot of ways, but I’m the result of a lot of other people’s hard work, too.”

— Blake Lemmons ’15
BA Near Eastern Languages and Cultures

LIFE-CHANGING OPPORTUNITIES

When he entered IU as a freshman in 2011, Blake Lemmons knew he wanted college experiences that would sharpen his language skills and strengthen his ability to work and contribute in an international setting. He became a cadet in the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps and added intensive language training in Farsi and Dari. Then he spent a summer in the Republic of Georgia in Eastern Europe with the Army’s Cultural Understanding and Language Proficiency program, where he taught English to children in Batumi, a port city on the Black Sea. He then spent nine weeks in Tajikistan where he spoke Persian almost exclusively.

Lemmons graduated in May 2015 with a BA in Near Eastern Languages and Cultures. Based on his academic performance, peer reviews, and physical fitness, he ranked third out of over 5,000 cadets nationwide, and is now a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army.
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SCHOOL OF GLOBAL AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

- Helps create state-of-the-art facilities
- A 21st-century environment for international learning and research
- That houses

LIKE THE NEW GLOBAL AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES BUILDING

- 30+ state-of-the-art classrooms and collaborative spaces
- 20+ international research centers
- 4 academic departments
- A broadcast studio

GIVING THEM A WORLD-CLASS SETTING

This new home for the SGIS will help us continue to attract the most talented faculty and students

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OUR MOMENT

With solid support and enthusiasm from around the country and the world, Indiana University has made significant investments in the new School of Global and International Studies. We build on a long and distinguished history of language teaching, and are aggressively pursuing a new tradition of excellence in the interdisciplinary study of the most pressing global issues of our day.

And we are at a unique moment in our history.

Gifts made now—at the launch of the new school—will not only be foundational, but will also shape the direction of the school itself.

In the School of Global and International Studies, our ambitions are high and the possibilities are endless.

We would be honored to have you as a partner in this vital work.