

### **About Broward College**

Broward College (BC) was founded in 1960 and is located in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, USA (near Miami). BC is among the largest of the 28 colleges in the Florida state college system and serves more than 65,000 students in over 100 technical, career, or academic degree programs. Broward College is accredited by the Southern Association of School and Colleges Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to offer Associate and Baccalaureate degrees. In 2013 the prestigious Aspen Institute named Broward College as one of the top ten community colleges in the United States.

### **Broward College and International Education**

Since 1974 Broward College has been a leader in international education partnering with colleges and universities throughout the world to provide American educational opportunities to students who live outside of the United States. The BC International Education program model allows students to stay in their home country and complete an Associate's degree (the first two years of a 4-year U.S. Bachelor's degree) before transferring to a university in the U.S. to finish the final two years of the degree. Thousands of international students who have earned a Broward College Associate's degree have successfully transferred to top American colleges and universities to complete their Baccalaureate degree. Partnering with BC can elevate an institution's prestige and reputation, provide value-added for faculty, staff and students, and attract additional sources of students.

Broward College is a leader in overseas US undergraduate degree programs with eleven sustainable partnerships and satellite campus programs around the world in Latin America, Asia, India, Russia and the Middle East - more than any other US college or university.

## **Description of Partnership Agreements:**

Categories of formal international partnership agreements with Broward College include academic affiliates and international centers.

**Academic Affiliates** are authorized to adopt and utilize the same academic programs and courses that are offered to students at Broward College in Florida. Additionally, institutions benefit from biannual on-site support visits by relevant Broward College faculty and/or staff. Site visits are typically about one week in duration and cover a wide range of possible activities (training, advising, teaching, etc.).

# **Current BC International Affiliates include:**

- International University of Santa Cruz (IUSC), Santa Cruz, Bolivia
- Kazan National Research Technical University (KNRTU), Kazan, Russia
- Kuwait Community College (KCC), Jahra, Kuwait
- American College of Spain (ACS), Marbella, Spain
- American College of Dubai (ACD), Dubai
- Wuxi South Ocean College, Wuxi, China
- Shanghai Second Polytechnic University (SSPU), Shanghai, China
- Xuzhou Kindergarten Teachers College (XKTC), Xuzhou, China
- Beijing Institute of Technology (BIT), Beijing, China
- Harbin Engineering University (HEU), Harbin, China

**International Center**s are locations where the academic program or programs offered at the partnering institution have been approved by our regional accrediting body, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC). Students become official Broward College students and their coursework will appear on a Broward College transcript. Once they successfully complete their program requirements, they will earn a Broward College Associate's degree. Additionally, students and approved faculty have the same access to many of the same resources that students and faculty in Florida have (online library and online databases, the learning management system, etc.). Biannual support and oversight visits by Broward College faculty and staff are also provided to the institution.

## **Current SACSCOC Approved International Centers include:**

Broward College also conducts programs approved by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACSCOC) where students register in college credit courses as Broward College students at five locations:

- Broward Center for American Education (BCAE), Guayaquil, Ecuador
- American College of Higher Education (ACHE), Colombo and Kandy, Sri Lanka
- Center for Global Education at the Universidad San Ignacio de Loyola (USIL), Lima, Peru
- Institute for American Education at Vietnamese-American Technical College (VATC), Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
- National Management School (NMS), Mumbai, India

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