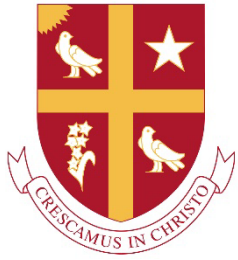


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Physical and Virtual Mobility Successes with ICUSTA Partners

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A Reintroduction

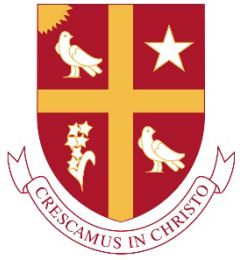
1. Founded by the Basilian Fathers in 1947, we are the only Catholic university in Houston, Texas – the 4th largest city in the United States.
2. One of a small number of American universities qualifying as Hispanic Serving Institution and Asian-American Pacific Islander Serving Institution.
3. El Centro Semillero now offers two Spanish-instruction Masters degrees.
4. Nearing 4,000 total students in 40+ undergraduate and 30+ graduate programs across the schools of Business, Education and Human Services, Arts & Sciences, Nursing, and Theology.
5. In 2019, launched the Kolbe School of Innovation that offers Associates Degrees.
6. Elevated from a Regional University to National University in 2022 college rankings.
7. Our new strategic plan entitled “Greater Things” includes four guiding vision statements. One of these is concerted expansion of UST’s global engagement.

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Goals for International Collaboration

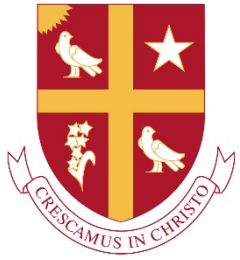
1. Prioritize ICUSTA partners and Catholic universities that could make strong additions to the ICUSTA family.
2. Expand physical and virtual modes of academic cooperation/ exchange.
3. Develop double degree undergraduate and graduate programs.
4. Infuse international mobilities with the Corporal Works of Mercy.
5. Increase student group exchanges with ICUSTA partner schools.
6. Expand infrastructure to support and mentor international students.
7. Streamline application and admissions processes for international students and address financial barriers.



New Successes in 2022

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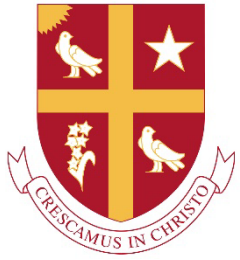
1. Wenzao Ursuline University (Taiwan) – Launched the Mandarin Center of the UST and WZU (late 2021) with joint academic and exchange offices housed in both UST and WZU.
2. ICES (France) - Conclusion of double MA program in Diplomacy & Strategic Affairs and MA International Relations. Conclusion of double MBA program with MA International Relations.
3. UFASTA (Argentina)– Upcoming virtual faculty exchanges in varied fields. English instruction from UFASTA and Spanish instruction from UFASTA.



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4. UNSTA (Argentina) – Collaboration with UST Pragmatic Studies entitled “Glory Program” to educate and empower students with learning disabilities.
5. UPAEP (Puebla, Mexico) – Curricular, faculty exchange, and study abroad collaboration.
6. UST Chile - Fifth reciprocal faculty exchange in progress.
7. Food Insecurity – Dr. Ulyses Balderas



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