

KU GLOBAL CONNECTIONS: MEXICO

The University of Kansas has maintained academic partnerships in Mexico since the 1980s. The following profile highlights KU research and teaching associated with Mexico.

STUDENTS & VISITING SCHOLARS

KU enrolled **14 students** from Mexico in Fall 2015. **Two visiting scholars** from Mexico conducted research at KU as well.

FACULTY ENGAGEMENT IN MEXICO

KU faculty teach and/or conduct research on Mexico and collaborate with Mexican researchers on a wide range of areas, some of whom are highlighted below.

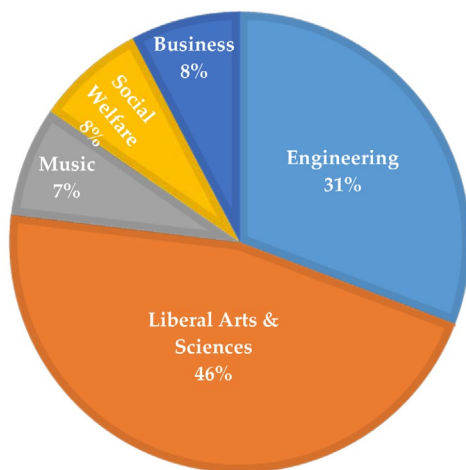
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STUDY ABROAD

The U.S. Department of State Travel Warning to certain places in Mexico currently prevents KU Study Abroad from offering programs there.

Mexican Students by Major



INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

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The [Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies](#) at the University of Kansas is a national leader in the study of the Americas. Established in 1961, the Center receives prestigious graduate fellowships from the U.S. Department of Education and the Tinker Foundation. KU offers interdisciplinary undergraduate and graduate programs in Latin American studies, opportunities to study indigenous languages, and support for graduate student research in Latin America.

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Academic units conduct research on or collaborate with Mexico

2,400

KU students in Spanish language courses

Above data from 2014-2015

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AGREEMENTS

Universidad Autonoma del Estado de Morelos ■ Autonomous University of the State of Hidalgo

RESOURCES

[Department of Spanish & Portuguese](#)
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[KU Environmental Studies Program](#)
[Spanish & Portuguese Library Resources](#)
[School of Languages, Literatures & Cultures](#)
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Grant Berning, a graduate student in anthropology, stands with an Olmec colossal head. The heads, sculpted from large basalt boulders, were created before 900 BC. A 2015 Tinker Award allowed Berning to conduct research at La Venta, an archaeological site of the Olmec civilization located in the Mexican state of Tabasco. The Tinker Foundation grants, together with KU matching funds, fund short-term field research by KU graduate students from a variety of disciplines.

Photo courtesy of Grant Berning

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The Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CLACS), along with campus and community partners, will present “[Latino Americans: 500 Years of History](#)” this spring.

CLACS is organizing public discussions with leading scholars, a workshop for K-12 teachers, and a free exhibit on Latina/o history in Kansas. The program will celebrate the long history, rich cultural traditions, and strong future of Latinos in Kansas.

At the start of the 20th century, Mexicans comprised almost the entire labor force in the sugar beet and railroad industries of Kansas. A century later, Latina/os, who make up over 11 percent of the state’s population, are community leaders, business owners, immigrants, and other essential citizens of our state.

“Latino Americans: 500 Years of History” was made possible through a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Library Association.

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