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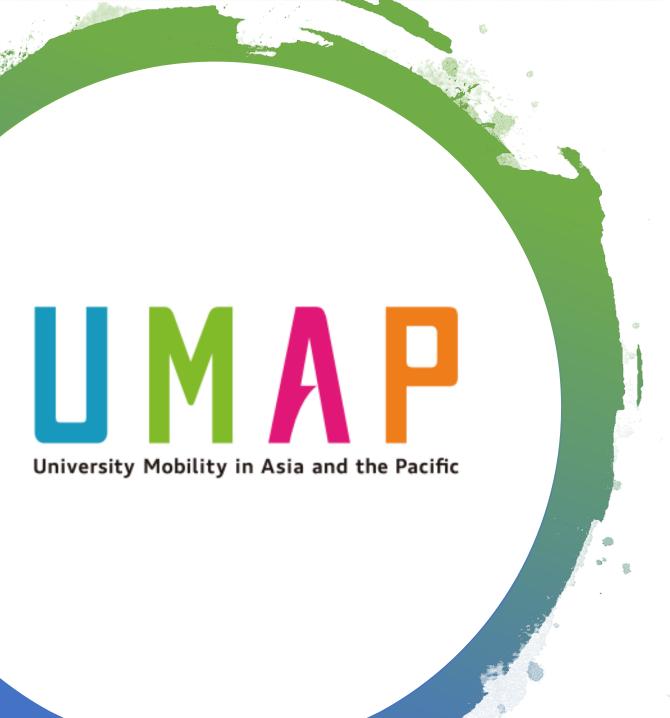
COMMUNITY

COLLEGE

### Benefits of **UMAP** Membership Presented to Members of **ASCUN (RCI) & CCYK**

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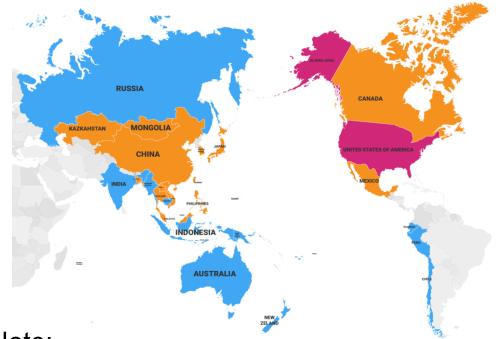
### WHAT IS UMAP?

- Student mobility consortium across Asia and the Pacific since 1991
- 24 active member countries with 250+ active higher education institutions
- Variety of education abroad programming
  - Short/longer term
  - In-person and virtual
- Professional development and networking for faculty, staff, and administrators across the region.

### 44 countries/territories in Asia and the Pacific are eligible to join UMAP. Currently 250+ institutions in 24 full member states are active.

#### **Member Countries/Territories**

Australia / Bangladesh / Brunei / Cambodia / Canada / Chile / People's Republic of China / Colombia / Costa Rica / Ecuador / El Salvador/ Fiji / Guam / Guatemala / Honduras /Hong Kong/ India / Indonesia / Japan / Kazakhstan / Republic of Korea / Kyrgyz Republic / Laos / Macao / Malaysia / Mexico / Mongolia / Myanmar / New Zealand / Nicaragua / Panama / Papua New Guinea / Peru / Philippines / Reunion Island / Russia / Samoa / Singapore / Taiwan / Thailand / Timor-Leste / USA / Uzbekistan/ Vietnam



#### Note:

Currently 24 countries/territories shown in orange among 44 eligible states are <u>FULL members</u> which participate in student exchanges by paying the membership fees.



### Organizational Structure



#### NATIONAL SECRETARIAT COLOMBIA

ASCUN (RCI) and CCYK

National Secretariat's represent a country /territory's higher education institutions (HEI) and internationalization in the UMAP organization.

#### ASCUN (RCI) and CCYK:

- Are the main point of contact for HEIs in that country/territory
- Receive Board member representation (1 voting member and observers)
- Coordinate the payment) of annual UMAP membership fee
- Vet, nominate, manage, and support UMAP HEI memberships in that country/territory
- Promote, collaborate, and support the participation and development of UMAP programs in and to UMAP members in that country / territory



### UTILIZE UMAP FOR STRATEGIC INTERESTS

- Enhance access to international learning opportunities using equitable and inclusive methods
  - Short-term and virtual programs are most popular
- Diversification of student body;
  - Inbound exchange students a strategic option to begin to build new market entry strategies
- Expand institutional presence in new regions
  - East Asia
  - Southeast Asia
  - South Asia
  - Central Asia
  - North America
  - South America
- Scholarship opportunities for students;
  - Scholarships offered by Canadian & Taiwanese governments;



### UMAP Programs

Multilateral
Student
Exchange

Bilateral Student Exchange Program B

Short-Term
Student
Exchange

Research Net Collaboration Program

Virtual Exchanges and Programs

Discovery
Camp
(Summer)





#### BENEFITS FOR LEADERS

- UMAP can provide unique opportunities for leaders of higher education internationalization. Such as:
- Support of internationalization activities by National Secretariat ASCUN (RCI) and CCYK;
- Diversification of international partnerships in new or emerging regions;
- Opportunity to provide skill development for faculty and staff (many opportunities are free or low-cost)
- Established consortium, members are pre-vetted and committed to internationalization
- Institutions have full autonomy over level of engagement, programs offered, etc. in UMAP





### BENEFITS FOR STAFF & FACULTY

- Study abroad / mobility resources are limited;
  - One-stop-shop for study abroad opportunities
    - Applications and nominations all in one central location
    - Student eligibility for scholarship assessed by UMAP
    - Promote your programs (credit, non-credit, semester, short-term, virtual) in one place
- Strategic move away from multiple MOUs;
  - Multilateral agreement (1) allowing access to post-secondary institutions in 24 countries/territories



### BENEFITS FOR STUDENTS

- UMAP offers a diversity of countries and regions to study that meets all students needs. For example:
  - Spanish, French, and English language instruction (other languages too!)
  - Travel close to home, or far from home
- Student preference is short-term study abroad experience;
  - Various programs
    - Semester-long
    - Short term
    - Summer camp
    - Virtual
    - COIL
- Students need financial support to go abroad;
  - Scholarships offered by Canadian & Taiwanese government; UMAP also has some smaller awards



### **BENEFITS**

TEMPLATE FOR CREDIT TRANSFER

#### **UMAP Credit Transfer Scheme (UCTS)**

Region	UCTS	Asia	North America	Latin America
Credit Conversion	1 UCTS	1 Credit	1 Credit	1.5 CLAR
Student Workload	38-48 hrs	38-48 hrs	45 hrs	37.5-48 hrs
Teaching Hours	13-16	13-16	15	

Not a requirement, but a recommended template for credit transfer.

### **BENEFITS**

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



### APPLICATION DEADLINE IS 2 DECEMBER, 2022

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COLLABORATIVE ONLINE
INTERNATIONAL
LEARNING (COIL)
PROGRAM

16 JAN-3 FEB 2023
THREE MANDATORY
SYNCHRONOUS 90MINUTE CLASSES

The online program will cover topics including: Introduction to COIL, overview of technology and tools, how to find a partner, designing a course, and evaluation.











#### Ready to join UMAP? Next steps

1. Review and sign the Pledge of Agreement (POA)

2. Contact National Secretariat (NS) for endorsement. Provide signed POA

3. NS will endorse and send signed POA to International Secretariat (IS)

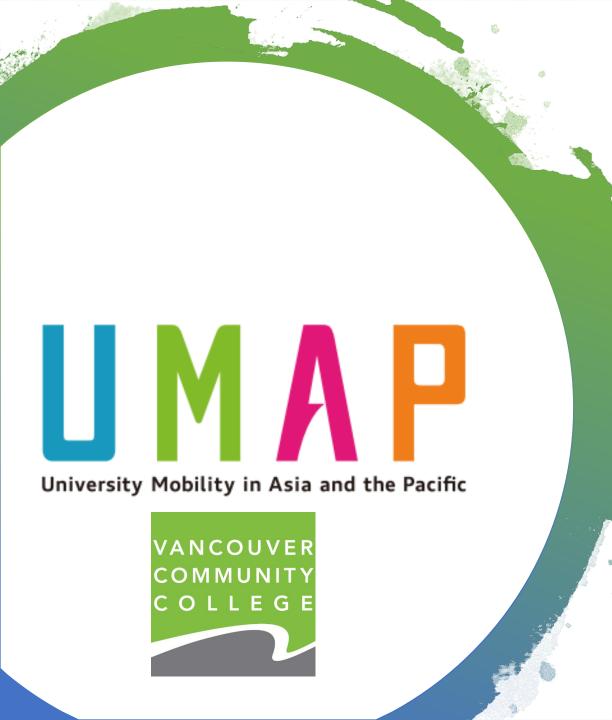
4. IS will counter-sign POA and return digital copy to institution and NS



### ONCE YOU ARE A UMAP MEMBER INSTITUTION...

- USCO2 login information
- Access to contacts from all member institutions from across the consortium
- Offer programs, send students immediately
- Promote programs offered through UMAP to students (some are free!)
- Manage applications for programs (inbound and outbound)
- Student applications will be assessed for scholarship eligibility
- Frequent communication via Newsletter
- Access to professional development and networking events





# Questions? Thank you!

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