

Developing and Organizing an International Higher Education Program

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Who are we

- University College Zealand ("UCSJ"):
 - "University of Applied Science".
 - Public institution under the Ministry of Science, Innovation and Higher Education.
 - 11.000 students.
 - 600 employees.
 - Research & Innovation activities.
 - 11 different full-time bachelor programs:
 - Biomedical Laboratory Science, School Teacher (primary and lower secondary school), International Teacher (**100% in English**), Leisure Management (**100% in English**), Nutrition and Health, Nursing, Social Work, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, Public Administration, Social Education.

Who are we

- **Juris Kalnins**
 - Student in UCSJ's International Teacher Education Program.
- **Lasse Dalby Jensen**
 - Management Consultant in the Secretariat.
- **The Secretariat** supports top management:
 - Headmaster
 - Prorector
 - Director of BA-programs
 - Director of Resources

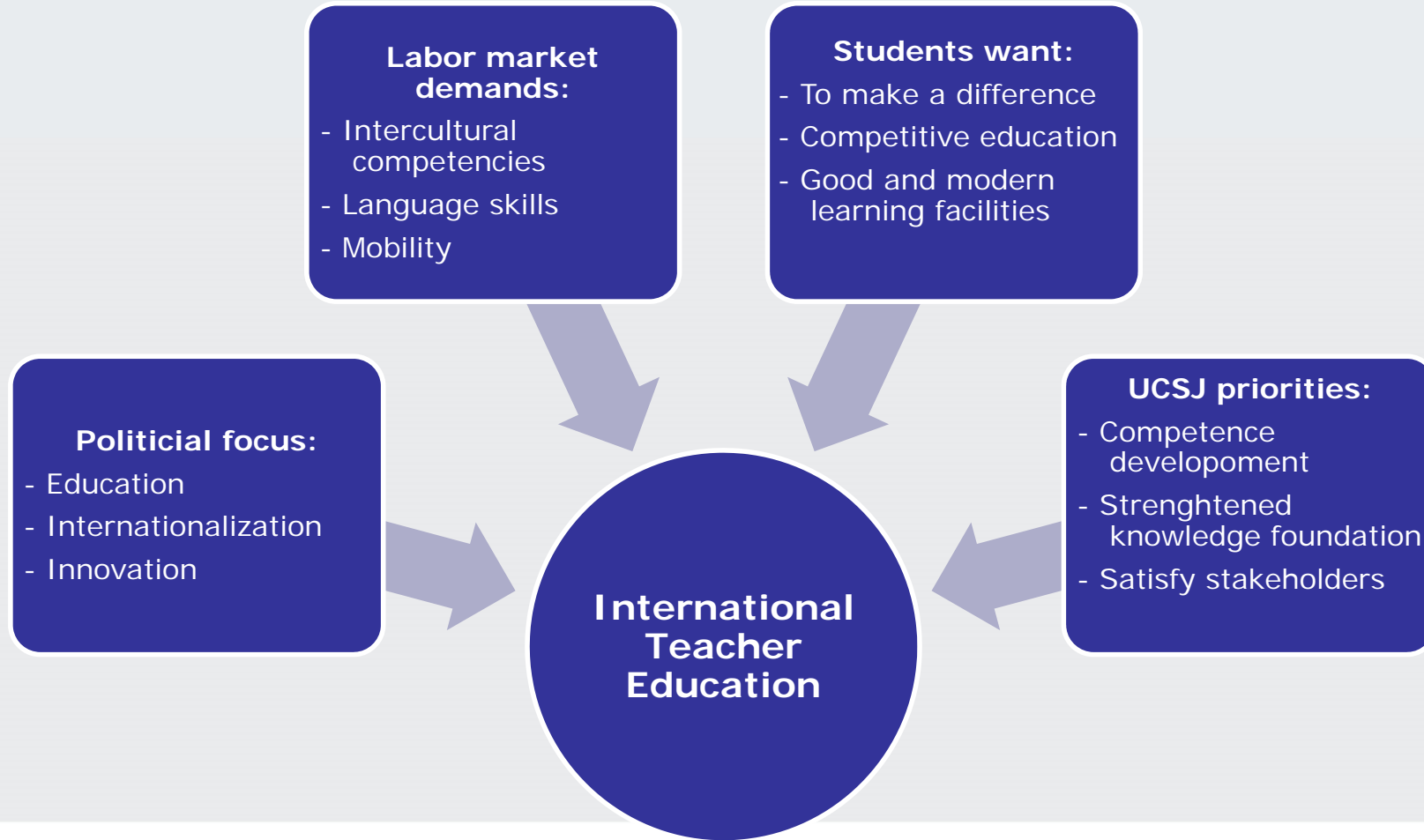
The International Teacher Education

- International Teacher Education (BA-program)
 - Very new (1st year).
 - First of its kind in the world.
 - 4 year program.
 - Specifically aimed at teaching in international schools.
 - Structured in modules to ease student exchange.
 - Mandatory to go on exchange at partner universities .
 - The language of instruction is English.
 - Combined total of 101 students enrolled right now.

Program partners



Why do we do it



How is it done **internationally**

- All **teaching in English** at all three institutions.
- Focus on **quality** (Bologna).
- Continuous development and coordination in the **ITE Steering Committee**.
- **Shared vision** governing the ITE program:
 - *“In a globalising world cooperating and competing on the basis of knowledge, skills and competences, **teaching and education** is also being globalised. As providers of the teachers of tomorrow’s workforce, leaders and scientists, the ITEPS partners acknowledge a special obligation to be oriented towards the needs of the society of tomorrow. On this basis the ITEPS partners strive to provide world class education for world class students in a truly global classroom. Our point of departure is democracy, global citizenship, equal opportunity and non-discrimination.”* (To see more link to: <http://ucsj.dk/ite/>)
- To be continued...

Continued: How is it done **internationally**

- **Attention to national differences** and a positive, constructive approach to solving derived problems.
- **Networks** of professionals across institutions.
- **Exchanging employees** with partners, etc.
- Active use of **virtual teaching** between institutions ("picking the experts").

How is it done **locally**

- Internationalization, innovation and partnerships as **institutionalized parts of corporate strategy** and managers' Key Performance Indicators.
- Continued focus on **employees' qualifications** and improvement of these
- "**Internationalization at home**" = hiring of foreign teachers and researchers, etc.
- **Prioritizing participation** in projects, conferences, research programs, etc.
- **Encouraging students** to go on exchange, include international aspects in bachelor theses, etc.
- Local **International Pedagogical Counselors** for the employees.
- To be continued...

Continued: How is it done **locally**

- Integrated English **student counseling**.
- International **tutors**.
- Close **personal relations** to students, e.g. helping with applications, housing, etc
- **Making it easy** to be an exchange student, e.g. supplying bicycles and arranging social activities.

Looking forward

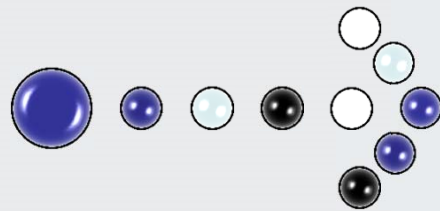
Increasing labor force mobility



Increasing international integration



Increasing labor market demands for intercultural competencies



GROWING NEED FOR INTERNATIONAL TEACHERS

More partners would mean

- **More resources** to develop and run the program.
- **Better exchange opportunities** for the students.
- **Higher combined capacity.**
- **Stronger professional networks.**

• **Are you interested in joining us?**

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