

# Global Citizenship and Skills Development : Practices from Universities in Vietnam

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# OUTLINE

- What is global citizenship? What are the core qualities of a global citizen?
- The role of universities/colleges in transforming students to become global citizens
- Skill development at universities/colleges in Vietnam
- What SEAMEO RETRAC has done to help universities/colleges with skill development?

# What is “Global Citizenship”?

- Global citizenship educates and prepares young people for their role in a modern world.
- This begins with an exploration of different cultures, languages and economies.
- Active global citizens care about the world they live in, and take action to support causes that have a positive impact for other communities and future generations.



# Global Citizenship

- Education must be transformative and bring shared values to life.
- Education must cultivate an active care for the world
- Education must also be relevant in answering the big questions of the world today
- Education must fully assume its central role in helping people to forge more just, peaceful, tolerant and inclusive societies.
- Education must give people the understanding, skills and values they need to cooperate in resolving the interconnected challenges of the 21st century.

# Qualities of the Global Citizen

- Is aware of the wider world and has a sense of their role as a world citizen
- Respects and values diversity
- Wants to tackle social injustice
- Participates in and contributes to the community at a range of levels from local to global
- Is willing to act to make the world a more sustainable place
- Believes that all children and young people have a right to an education.
- Takes action to make the world more equitable.

- For students, becoming global citizens can benefit them in other ways—skills such as problem solving, communication, collaboration, and cross-cultural awareness will benefit them immeasurably in the global era in which we live.
- To become a global citizen, students have to be creative, flexible, dedicated, and proactive. Global citizens take an active part in the emerging world community, and are committed to helping build this community's values and practices.

# Qualities of Global Citizenship

Critical thinking  
& Problem  
solving

Community  
and  
Collaboration

Technical skills

Adaptability

Cross-Cultural  
Awareness



# Skill development at universities/colleges in Vietnam

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- Overview of skills development for students in Vietnam
- How are the skills developed?
- Lessons learned from skills development





# Overview of skills development for students in Vietnam

Skill development for students has been done by

1. The universities/colleges
2. Social organizations (local and national)
3. International organizations

# Skills development for students in Vietnam

*Skills development has been done through different programs*

- Seminars / workshops
- Community development programs
- Student exchange programs
- Curriculum integration
- International programs



# Seminars/ workshops

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# Community Development Programs

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Student exchange  
programs



# International Programs

- The Ship for Southeast Asian and Japanese Youth Program (SSEAYP)
- Mekong Friendship Project
- YSEALI – Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative
- JENESYS -(Japan-East Asia Network of Exchange for Students and Youths)
- Greater Mekong Sub region (GMS) Youth Forum



# Skills Integrated Curriculum

## Knowledge & Skills

- Students find the knowledge
- Skills acquired in and outside the classroom (international guest speakers/ internship/ student exchange)

## Teaching & Learning Methods

- Student center approach
- Problem solving
- Task based
- Case studies
- Online learning

## Assessment

- Formative
- Summative
- Project based
- Internship



# Lessons Learned from Skills Development

- Teachers' commitment and capacity
- Global citizenship education
- Active involvement in community development programs
- Strong international cooperation development
- Strong social associations for students
- Effective channels of communication

# What SEAMEO RETRAC has done to help universities/colleges with skill development?

- Train the trainers programs on Skill development for universities/colleges
- Bridging universities/ colleges with international organizations/ institutions
- Organize internship programs for local and international students
- Develop student exchange programs
- Introduce regional/ international programs to universities/ colleges



We are committed to help build GLOBAL CITIZENS

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*Thank you very much for  
your attention*

