### *Type of Experience - GLOBAL FOCUS COURSES* Global Engineering Minor at the University of Colorado Boulder

# Program Description

The Global Engineering Minor creates a globally-focused pathway through students' existing major requirements in humanities/social sciences and technical electives. A cornerstone of the Minor is the course "A Global State of Mind," which provides students a framework for analyzing their own cultural norms while approaching others with openness. In addition to this coursework, students must complete, at a minimum, the fourth semester of a foreign language. They must also study abroad or participate in an approved global experience (e.g. study abroad, travel with Engineers Without Borders or Bridges to Prosperity, overseas internship, etc.).

#### Program Components:

Cornerstone: A Global State of Mind

Intermediate foreign language achievement

9 hours of regionally and globally focused coursework

3 hours of global technical elective credit

Global experience

# Hallmarks Of Success

### Program Highlights

The Minor allows students the flexibility to specialize in a world region and foreign language of their choice, accompanied by a growing portfolio of oversees programing.

# Tips for Replication

Ensure seamless blending of the Minor with existing major requirements so students do not have to add on a substantial number of required courses to graduate.

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http://www.colorado.edu/engineeringinternational/global-engineering-minor

# **Program Details**

- Tenure of the program:
  - Fall 2016
- Participation rates (annual):
  - <20, growing, replaces 2 outgoing certificate programs
- Target population
  - All engineering majors
- Duration of experience:
  - Duration of B.S. degree
- Engineering related?
  - Yes
- Course credit?
  - Yes
- Service component?
  - Optional
- Reflection component?
  - Optional



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