The Reves Center for International Studies is one of the premier centers for globalization in higher education. It advances the internationalization of learning, teaching and research across the university through programs for education abroad, international students and scholars, and global engagement.

William & Mary is the number one public university for undergraduate study-abroad, with more than 50 percent participation by undergraduates before graduation. This year, more than 800 international students and scholars representing nearly 60 countries are on campus.

The Reves Center encourages and assists international strategic initiatives, including the William & Mary Confucius Institute, offering Chinese language and cultural activities; and the Institute for the Theory & Practice of International Relations, co-sponsored by the Faculty of Arts & Sciences, which supports faculty and student collaborations seeking solutions to global problems. Through all its programs, the Reves Center fulfills William & Mary’s mission to give faculty and students the tools to change the world.

Stephen E. Hanson
Vice Provost for International Affairs
Director, Reves Center for International Studies
We like to say that people come to William & Mary wanting to change the world — and together we do. We are among the nation’s leading universities in study-abroad participation. Every year, we welcome students and scholars from nearly 60 countries, and we send teams of faculty and students to engage in cutting-edge research, service learning and social entrepreneurship on every continent. The Institute for the Theory & Practice of International Relations (ITPIR) is nationally recognized for its sponsorship of faculty-student research teams investigating cutting-edge solutions to many of the world’s most pressing challenges. In so many ways, the College is reclaiming its historic role as a genuine leader among global liberal arts universities.

Pillar I: Where Great Minds Meet | $17 million

SCHOLARSHIPS | $15 million

• Study-Abroad Scholarships for W&M students | $7 million
  To provide opportunities for William & Mary undergraduate students to explore and experience cultures, languages and customs different from their own, and to meet the needs of COLL 300 curriculum.

• Undergraduate and Graduate Scholarships for International Students | $3 million
  To help diversify the William & Mary undergraduate and graduate student bodies.

• AidData Summer Fellows | $2 million
  To allow William & Mary undergraduates to spend summers training developing-country civil society actors, local nonprofits, world universities, government officials and others in the use of new technologies and collaborative research projects.

• Postdoctoral and Post-Baccalaureate Fellowships at ITPIR | $1 million
  To provide support for unique research and training opportunities for postdoctoral scholars from around the world at ITPIR, and to offer recent college graduates who have achieved high levels of intellectual and analytical maturity the opportunity to take their research to a new level through a full-time intensive research project or project management experience.

• Global Student Opportunities and Funds at W&M | $1 million
  To provide funding for student research and conference activity abroad for all W&M students and to provide emergency and hardship funding for international students in need.

• International Internship Funds | $1 million
  To support unpaid and low-paying internships and work experiences abroad for all W&M students.

TEACHING EXCELLENCE | $2 million

• Funding to Support Faculty Across Campus | $1 million
  To create and fund robust international faculty exchange opportunities and to facilitate the retention and support of faculty in international affairs and regional studies across W&M schools and units.

• Reves Faculty Fellows | $1 million
  To increase the Reves Center’s ability to support faculty research on international topics annually.

$27 million

Where Great Minds Meet
$17 million
Pillar II: Making the Remarkable | $4 million

ENGAGED LEARNING, INNOVATION AND COLLABORATION

• Catalytic Research Funds | $2 million
  To create seed funding for promising research projects at ITPIR in their early stages of development.

• Faculty-Mentored Research | $1 million
  To support students to conduct field experiments and gain substantial faculty-mentored research experience at AidData and other ITPIR projects.

• ITPIR Student Start-up Funds | $500,000
  To create an investment fund to seed student-driven, outside-the-box innovations that could launch the next revolution in international relations research or real-world innovations.

• Reves Endowment | $500,000
  To sustain and improve the Reves Center’s ability to serve the wider campus community.

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

• New home for international development activities
• Renovation of Reves Hall

Pillar III: A Passion for Impact | $6 million

William & Mary in the World

• AidData | $4 million
  Operational funds to support data-driven policy engagement and the research, testing and evaluation of new tools and approaches to foreign aid effectiveness.

• Reves Center Global Engagement Funds | $1 million
  Current-use operational and discretionary funds and endowment to support the Reves Center’s broad work to promote William & Mary around the country and the world.

• ITPIR Director’s Fund and Project Funds | $1 million
  Operational and discretionary funds to address the most pressing needs and priorities for ITPIR’s current and future projects on campus and around the world.

In 2008, the dean of Arts & Sciences and the Reves Center jointly created the Institute for the Theory & Practice of International Relations (ITPIR) to support promising student-faculty research initiatives and promote interdisciplinary thinking on big problems facing the world.

ITPIR projects have since generated over $35 million in external grants and contracts, which have supported more than 600 student researchers who work with W&M faculty to produce research that informs policy decisions and improves the lives of people around the world.

ITPIR’s most prominent project, AidData, started as a student’s honors thesis and has grown into a research lab that includes more than 40 faculty and staff and 120 student researchers dedicated to making foreign aid more transparent, accessible and actionable. AidData students receive close mentorship by faculty on campus and access to policymakers worldwide, which allows them to pilot their own revolutionary ideas before taking them to scale.

Mike Tierney ’87
Director
Institute for the Theory and Practice of International Relations

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“I was bold in the pursuit of knowledge, never fearing to follow truth and reason to whatever results they led.”
-THOMAS JEFFERSON 1762, LL.D. 1783

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