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In addition, we continue to provide informative stories and opinions on our weekly blog and bring to you a collection of articles on domestic and international education and related news in our monthly Newsletter, The Report. Subscription to The Report is free.

Finally, on June 10th, we will be hosting a free webinar on "How to Spot Fake Online Programs." ACEI President & CEO, Jasmin Saidi–Kuehnert will be joined by Allen Ezell, retired FBI Special Agent who has been indefatigable in his fight to expose diploma mills. You'll find the latest contribution Allen has written for ACEI's blog in this Newsletter. We hope you will join us for what we predict will be an eye-opening webinar on the continuous proliferation of diploma mills and fake online programs especially now during this time where more institutions are embracing online instructions.

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## Sir Richard Attenborough Teaches Geography To Children

Sir David is about to begin a new BBC education initiative whereby he explains several topics to children. Starting today, April 20, kids can learn about oceans, animals and more from master David Attenborough himself. A Planet Earth workshop of sorts. To read more, click here.



Source: Simon Davis/UK Department for International Development/AFP

# Ingenious Student Inventions to Fight COVID-19

Student inventions are exciting because they provide a glimpse of future innovation. But in the time of COVID-19, certain student inventions are not only relevant but of absolute necessity right now. To read more, click here.



# Students Sue for Refunds of Tuition & Fees

At least five institutions and university systems are facing class action lawsuits filed by students who want refunds on spring

semester tuition and other fees. To read more, click here.



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### How Can Universities Shape a post-COVID World?

"The world will never be the same again." This is perhaps the least hazardous prediction one can make about the consequence of the COVID-19 crisis. This crisis will surely change all societal institutions, not just the healthcare sector. The precise nature of that change is, at this time, unknowable. To read more, click here.



## International Students' Perspectives on Online Education

"The benefit of everyday college is you have a schedule. It teaches you discipline." says Colorado State University student Shamser Singh. What happens now that everything is online? To read more, click here.



### And, the Surveys say...

Find out what recent surveys by The British Council and Studyportals say on what prospective international students are thinking about studying abroad after Covid-19. To read more, click here.

#### TOP-40 COVID-19 SAFETY RANKING



### More analytics from Surveys...

At this moment, based on these analytics, academic rankings of institutions are taking a backseat as competition for being a safe destination country for international students becomes the primary focus. To read more, click here.



## The Affects of COVID-19 on International Students from High Risk Regions?

In our August 17, 2020 blog, our guest contributor Fazela Haniff shares her insights on the hardships faced by international students who are from economically and politically challenged regions. To read more, click here.



Study Abroad while Staying at Home

Because of the coronavirus, colleges are encouraging staying home to study abroad. To read more, click here.



# TUNISIA: Baccalauréat exams will take place despite COVID-19

Tunisia's Education Minister Mohamed El Hamdi has insisted that the baccalauréat examinations will take place as scheduled, in spite of the closure of schools due to the outbreak of the COVID-19. To read more, click here.



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# The Future of International Education in a Post-Mobility World

Student mobility was an outdated approach to international education even before the current pandemic. In future, universities must ensure that internationalization is no longer dominated by mobility, without which it becomes more accessible, more environmentally sustainable and less likely to cause brain drain. To read more, click here.

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