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News Around the world



BHUTAN

Teachers & Medical Staff have been made Highest Paid Civil Servants

The people of Bhutan, a tiny country with a population of about 750,000 between India and China, have put their priorities straight by announcing its highest paid civil servants will now be teachers and medical staff. To read more, click [here](#).



EUROPE

Decline in MBA applicants in US not mirrored in Europe

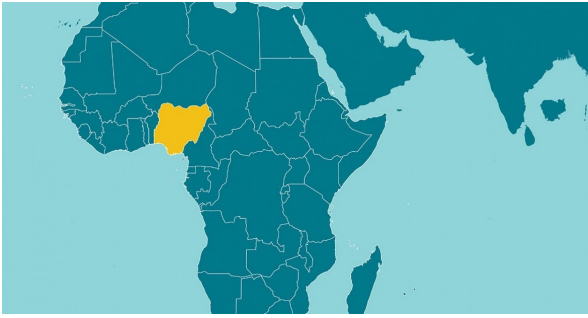
The most recent data from the Graduate Management Admissions Council, the body that administers the GMAT admission test, shows a decline in MBA applications to US business schools. But the same cannot be said for European business schools where enrollment numbers have risen. To read more, click [here](#).



GERMANY

German Education System has room for improvement: report

Is Germany facing another "education catastrophe?" The 2018 PISA study shows German school children are performing at above-average levels. However, a shortage of teachers threatens to undermine that progress. To read more, click [here](#).



NIGERIA

Fake University Professors

Nigeria: According to the executive secretary of the National Universities Commission (NUC) of Nigeria, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, more than 100 fake professors have found to be in the university system. To read more, click [here](#).

U.S.A.

College Enrollments on the Decline



According to the National Clearing House Research Center which tracks college enrollment by student, this fall, there were nearly 250,000 fewer students enrolled in college than a year ago. To read more, click [here](#).



Importance of College Education drops by 50% Among Young Adults

If you weren't already worried about U.S. higher education, you should be now. When asked how important a college education is today, 41% of U.S. adults aged 18–29 say “very important,” which is down a whopping 45% since 2013 when 74% said the same. To read more, click [here](#).



Lone Star College Offering Bachelor Degrees

After receiving approval from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges Monday night, Lone Star College announced Tuesday that starting in September of 2020, LSC students will have the option of earning a bachelor of science in

nursing; bachelor of applied technology in cybersecurity; and bachelor of applied science in energy, manufacturing and trades management. To read more, click [here](#).



Columbia University Giving Full Scholarships to Refugees & Displaced Students

Columbia University, NY, will give full scholarships to refugees and other displaced students. The initiative is the first of its kind in the world, according to university officials. To read more, click [here](#).



U.S. HEIs: How to remain competitive in international education?

Say what we want, but we live in a competitive world, and when it comes to international education, the U.S. HEIs are competitive to the extent that they remain in the field. Rather than retreating, U.S. HEIs must stay in the game and compete successfully with their counterparts in UK, Canada, Australia, and emerging markets such as China and India. To read more, click [here](#).

THE WORLD

3Q's: EQ, IQ, LQ

Jack Ma, the founder of Alibaba, retired from the Chinese e-commerce giant in September to focus on education, which he calls the “most important and critical issue” of our time. His concern: the world is changing fast, but education is not. To read more, click [here](#).



10 Quick Takeaways from the PISA Survey

The latest scores from PISA, the Program for International Student Assessment, were

announced on Tuesday, December 3, 2019. In blog, we share 10 quick takeaways from the survey: To read more, click [here](#).



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There are tens of millions of forcibly displaced people across the world, escaping from conflicts, violence or abuse of human rights. Around half of the 65 million refugees and displaced people in the world are over 18 years old. However, only 1% of this group can access higher education.

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Upcoming Events



Upcoming Events 2020:

[AIEA Annual Conference 2020](#)

“Rethinking Comprehensive Internationalization for a Global Generation”

February 16–19, 2020, Washington, DC

[AICE 2020 Symposium](#)

“Setting the Standard: Evaluating Professional Qualifications in Law and Medicine from Around the World.”

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April 4, 2019, New Orleans, LA

[AACRAO 2020 Annual Meeting](#)

April 4–8, 2020, New Orleans, LA

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[NAFSA Annual Conference](#)

May 24–29, 2020, St. Louis, MO

[EAIE Annual Conference](#)

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