

The Big Tent

2026 International Higher Education Conferences

International education encompasses student recruitment, education abroad, institutional partnerships, leadership and strategy, policy, and professional development. Together, these areas form a “big tent” of interconnected work across higher education. This overview highlights key international education conferences and convenings scheduled for 2026, providing a practical planning resource to help institutions, organizations, and professionals identify opportunities to connect, learn, and advance their internationalization goals.

Major International Education Associations

AIEA (<https://www.aieaworld.org>)
Association of International Education Administrators
 February 16-19, Washington DC, USA

APAIE (<https://apaie.net/>)
Asia-Pacific Association for International Education
 February 23-27, Hong Kong

EAIE (<https://www.eaie.org>)
European Association for International Education
 September 8-11, Glasgow, Scotland

NAFSA (<https://www.nafsa.org>)
Association of International Educators
 May 26-29, Orlando, Florida, USA

Education Abroad & Global Learning

The Forum on Education Abroad (<https://forumea.org>)
 March 11-13, Nashville, Tennessee, USA

CCID (<https://www.ccidinc.org/>)
Community Colleges for International Development
 February 27-March 2, Tucson, Arizona

DA Global Access Network (<https://daglobal.org/>)
 November 4-6, Atlanta, Georgia, USA

Global Internship Conference
 (<https://globalinternshipconference.com/>)
 June 10-12, Tallinn, Estonia

Admissions, Recruitment & Enrollment

AACRAO (<https://www.aacrao.org/home>)
American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers
 April 19-22, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA

AIRC (<https://www.airc-education.org>)
Association of International Enrollment Management
 December 2-5, Dallas, Texas, USA

ICEF (<https://www.icef.com>)
 May 29-30, Orlando, USA

Regional & Thematic Conferences

CBIE (<https://cbie.ca>)
Canadian Bureau for International Education
 November 22-25, Ottawa, Canada

CIES (<https://conference.cies.us/>)
Comparative and International Education Society
 March 28 - April 1, San Francisco, California, USA

FAUBAI (<https://faubai.org.br>)
Brazilian Association for International Education
 April 11-15, Florianópolis, Brazil

The PIE Live Asia-Pacific
 (<https://thepienews.com/events/>)
 July 28-29, Gold Coast, Australia

The PIE Live Europe (<https://thepienews.com/events/>)
 March 24-25, London, England

2026 At A Glance

Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jul	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
AIEA APAIE CCID	Forum PIE - EU CIES	FAUBAI AACRAO	NAFSA ICEF	PIE - ASIA	EAIE	NAFSA Regionals	DA Global Impact CBIE	AIRC

