

FULBRIGHT UNIVERSITY VIETNAM

"[We] believe that young people deserve a world-class education right here in Vietnam. It's one of the reasons why we're very excited that... the new Fulbright University Vietnam will open in Ho Chi Minh City – [Vietnam's] first independent, non-profit university."

President Barack Obama

Hanoi, Vietnam, May 24, 2016

Help us reimagine the University.

Think you might want to be part of the team that creates a new institution ab initio?

If you're pursuing or have completed a PhD in any field, and you're intrigued, join us for a collaborative design workshop in which we'll work together to imagine what might be possible.

February 9, 6:00-9:00 PM

Science Center, Room 418D

One Oxford Street, Cambridge

Drinks and Vietnamese food to follow.

REGISTRATION

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The last decades have seen any number of new universities start around the world. But many fall into two categories: replications of existing models in new locations, and for-profit institutions that hope to leverage efficiencies while still delivering an acceptable educational product.

We think there's another way. We're building an entirely new, non-profit university in Ho Chi Minh City. With substantial financial support from the US State Department, USAID, and a variety of private donors, we're starting from scratch, with the goal of creating an institution that can transform the lives of young people, address the pressing needs of Vietnamese society, and ultimately point the way toward a new approach to high quality education in developing countries.

We recognize the magnitude of the opportunity and the challenge. While it would be easier to create "yet another university", **this is a once-in-a-lifetime chance to imagine a new approach to liberal education, encompassing engineering and the traditional liberal arts, from the ground up.** If we throw out assumptions about curriculum, about disciplinary silos, about faculty and student roles, and about the relationship between the institution and the community, what might we build together? If what we care about is developing students as whole people, kindling their curiosity, and preparing them to lead in an uncertain world, what kind of experience might we create?

We're designing FUV's flagship program, a four-year residential undergraduate program in engineering and the liberal arts and sciences. We'll teach in English and we aspire to achieve accreditation from a US accrediting body. We plan to admit a beta class in 2018.