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## Connecting Higher Education Across the Americas

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- Design and management of scholarship and exchange programs
- Creation of programs focused on institutional effectiveness and innovation
- Administration of PAEP exam for testing and assessment



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American States | More rights  
for more people



**Innóvate** Perú



**BEC.AR**  
Programa de Becas de formación  
en el exterior en Ciencia y Tecnología



**COLCIENCIAS**  
Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación

- Place degree-seeking students and non-degree scholars into university programs
- Provide information about U.S. university programs and choices
- Facilitate tuition cost-sharing arrangements whenever possible
- Individualized attention towards finding the best fit for every person



## Academic Placement Services

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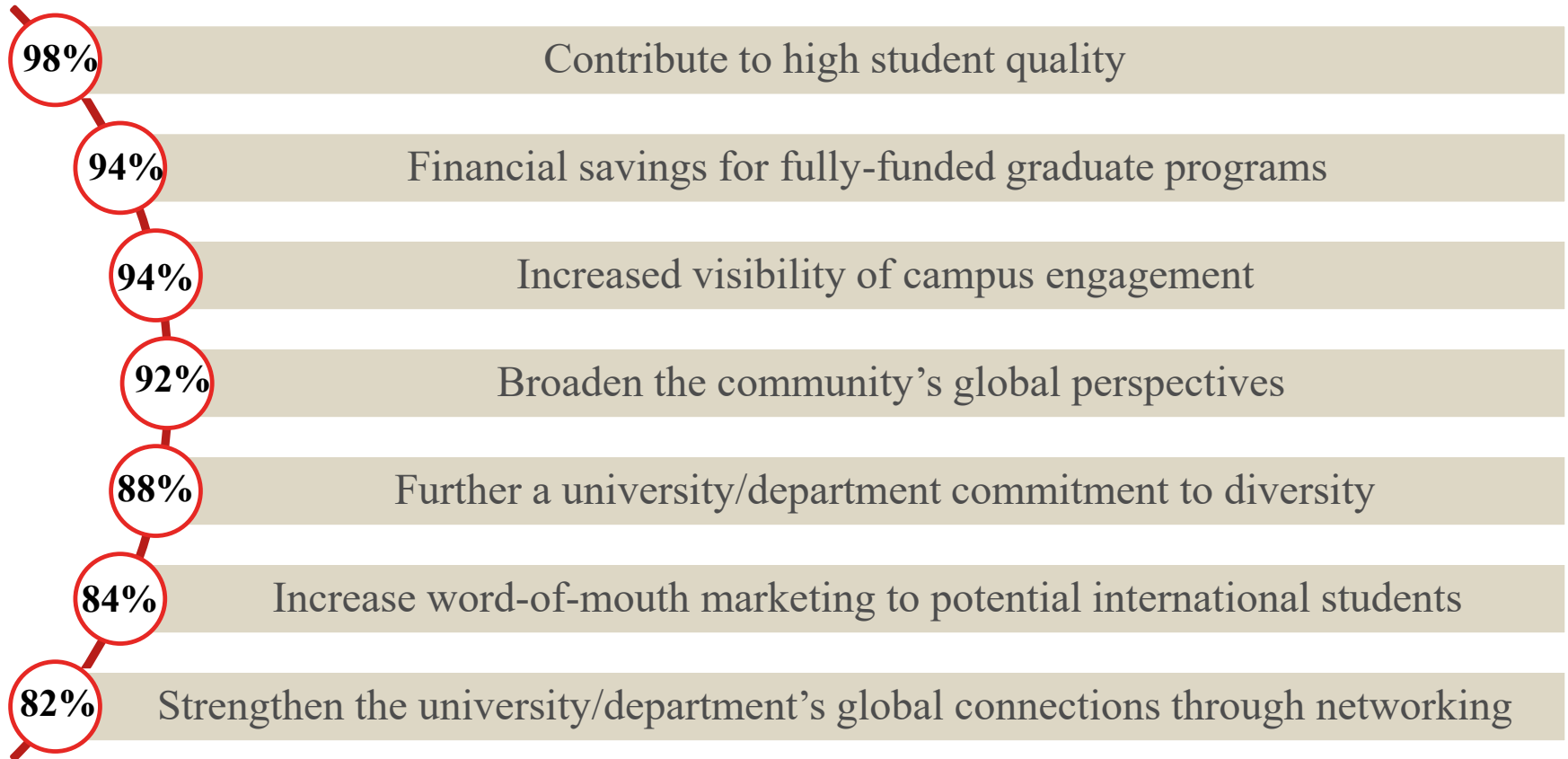
- Serve as a resource and liaison between the grantee, funder and U.S. university
- Monitor grantees' academic progress and compliance with scholarship terms
- Manage disbursement of grant funds
- Sponsor immigration documents



# Grantee Monitoring

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## Affirmative Respondents



# Impact on campus

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Goals met by hosting Laspau-Administered grantees

# 97%

of respondents said that

Laspau-administered grantees provide value that offsets or outweighs the monetary value of the cost-share extended by the university

## What University Partners Say

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Good Job Question Positive Impact Under-represented  
 Professional Love Positive Experience  
 Glad Excellent Fantastic Contributions  
 Progress Faculty Experience to Date  
 Laspau Sponsored Student  
 Share Research Fully  
 Graduate Students Increased  
 Department Sufficient Typically Limited Skills  
 Wonderful

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**“Our department has strongly benefited from having a Laspau-administered sponsored student.**

The student is among the very top students in our program intellectually and has introduced new ways of thinking... other students and faculty have benefited from these perspectives... She has also helped to strengthen our connections to universities in Latin America.”

**“This is our doctoral program’s first Laspau-administered sponsored student and she is a gift.**

In fact, I am nominating her for a university wide Distinguished Woman of the Year award due to her incredible intellectual talents but also her devotion to so much community work on and off the campus.”



## What University Partners Say

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**“The student we have worked with ... is one of the best students I have worked with in my 17 year career at the University.”**

## What University Partners Say

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# Higher Education Summit of the Americas

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## 2018 Conference Themes

- Leading societal improvement through cross-sector collaboration
- Fostering innovation ecosystems
- Building a STEM workforce for the future
- Actionable outcomes that can drive higher education strategy throughout the region

# Higher Education Summit of the Americas

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**Thank you!**

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