

International Academic Initiatives

The Open University maintains extensive international partnerships in which faculty members connect with academics at universities worldwide. The OUI also hosts a range of delegations from universities and organizations around the world. The Unit for International Academic Initiatives aims to extend and enhance various initiatives and programs which serve to connect the OUI to academics throughout the world, to benefit teaching, students, and faculty.

Below are listed the main international initiatives for this year:

- A framework agreement was signed between the OUI and the Conservatoire National des Arts et Métiers (CNAM) for examining collaboration between the institutions.
- The OUI hosted a delegation from the Hunan Radio and TV University in China, with the participation of the president of the university.
- Within the framework of a mobility program for the faculty of the University of Pavia in Italy, a bilateral contract was signed, in the context of which Prof. Tamar Hermann participated in teaching courses in political science.
- Prof. Tali Heiman participated in teaching courses in education and in meetings with faculty members from the University of the Aegean – Lesvos, Greece, within the Erasmus+ mobility program for faculty .
- In January 2018, a week-long concentrated winter school in Judaic Studies took place. Instruction took place by researchers from the OUI, the Schechter Institute, and the University of Amsterdam. Select students from both universities studied together and participated in tours.

Collaboration with Foreign Publishers

- Translation contracts:
An agreement was signed with Pearson Publishing for translation of the course book *Marketing Management*.
An agreement was signed with Lynne Rienner Publishers for translation of the course book *Government and Politics in Sub-Saharan Africa*.
- A translated title published this year:
Principles of Biochemistry by W.H. Freeman Publishers.
- Joint initiatives signed between the OUI and other publishers:
Algorithms for Big Data with World Scientific Publishing Co.
The Jews of Provence with The Littman Library of Jewish Civilization.