

# *Engaging social media to improve graduate services*

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# Agenda

Welcome and introductions

Overview of social media

Applications of social media

Michigan State University  
Virginia Tech

Discussion/Q&A & Hands-on

# Anticipated outcomes

Understand value of social media

Embrace use of social media

Accept social media as part of life for deans

Expand social media skills

Twitter account and tweet during annual meeting  
(#CGS53)

Blog, LinkedIn, Pinterest, iTunesU, YouTube,  
and more

## Web 1.0 ~1993

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# Web 1.0 as metaphor for graduate schools

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# Web 2.0 as metaphor...

“...web sites that **use technology** beyond the static pages of earlier web sites....

“...it does not refer to an update to any technical specification, but rather to cumulative changes in the ways **software developers** and **end-users** use the Web....

...a 2.0 site may allow **users** to interact and collaborate with each other in a **social media dialogue** as creators of **user-generated content** in a **virtual community**, in contrast to websites where people are limited to the passive viewing of **content**. Examples of Web 2.0 include **social networking sites**, **blogs**, **wikis**, **video sharing** sites, **hosted services**, **web applications**, **mashups**...”

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Web\\_2.0](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Web_2.0)

<http://www.evolutionoftheweb.com/>

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4G

.... a parking spot

an app

.... was something one sent to colleges

skype

.....a typo

a tweet

....was the sound made by a bird

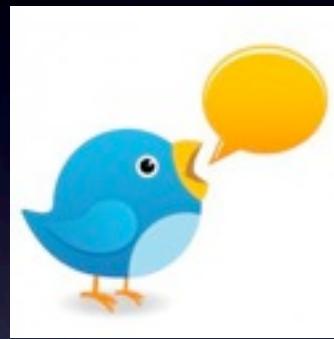
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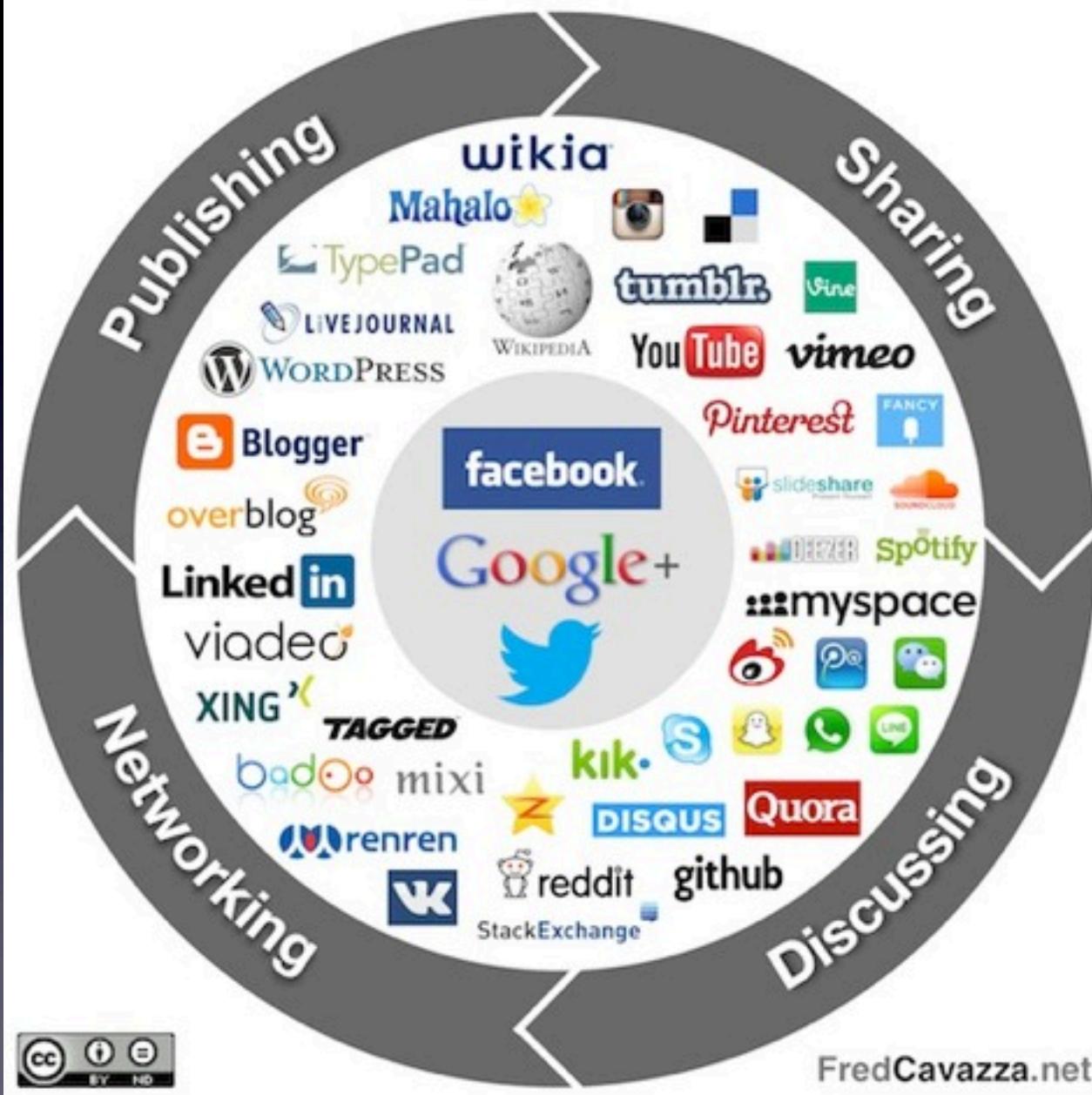






and more everyday

# Social Media Landscape 2013



# Social Media 2013

**1.15  
Billion+  
total users**

751 Million users access Facebook from mobile with 7,000 different devices

There are over 10 Million Facebook apps so far

23% of Facebook user's check their account more than 5 times a day

74% of marketers believe Facebook is important for their

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Submitted by [Harsh Ajmera](#)



social media 2013

There are over 288 million monthly active users

28% of Retweets are due to inclusion of "please RT!"

Twitter's fastest growing age demographic is 55 to 64 year olds, registering an increase in active users of 79%

60% of Twitter users access it from mobile

Approx 20 million user accounts are fake

On an average, over 400 million tweets being sent per day

208 is average number of tweets per account

500  
Million+  
total users





**500  
Million+  
total users**

# Google+

Over 343 Million active users on Google+

Platform has over 67% male users

80% users login at least once a week to Google+ and 60% users login everyday

The +1 button is served more than 5 billion times per day

40% of marketers use Google+, 70% desire to learn more and 67% plan to increase Google+ activities

Animated GIFs are still the most engaging type of post

Total number of LinkedIn groups are 1.5 million

27% users access LinkedIn thought their mobile

50% of LinkedIn users have their Bachelor's or Graduate degree

81% of users at least belong to one group

42% update their profile information regularly

Over 3 Million LinkedIn Company Pages

Over 1 Billion LinkedIn endorsements

**238**  
**Million+**  
total users





**130**  
**Million+**  
total users

*Instagram*

More than 16 Billion photos being already uploaded

An average user on Instagram has 40 photos

'MTV' is the most followed brand on Instagram with over 1.2 million followers

Every second 8000 users like some or other photo

Instagram gets 1000 comments per second

Over 5 Million videos being shared within 24hrs of launch

More than 5 Million photos uploaded every day

**More than 69% of users are female**

**Only 6% of users have connected their Facebook accounts**

**Food is the top category on Pinterest with 57% discussing about food-related content**

**80% of total Pinterest's pins are repins**

**'Nordstrom' is the most popular brand on Pinterest with more than 4.4 Million followers**

**Garlic Cheesy Bread is the most repinned Pinterest Pin**

**70  
Million+  
total users**

**Pinterest**

## More Stats

There are over 1 billion unique monthly visitors on YouTube

4.2 billion people use mobile device to access social media sites

Social media generates almost double the marketing leads of trade show, telemarketing, daily mail, or PPC

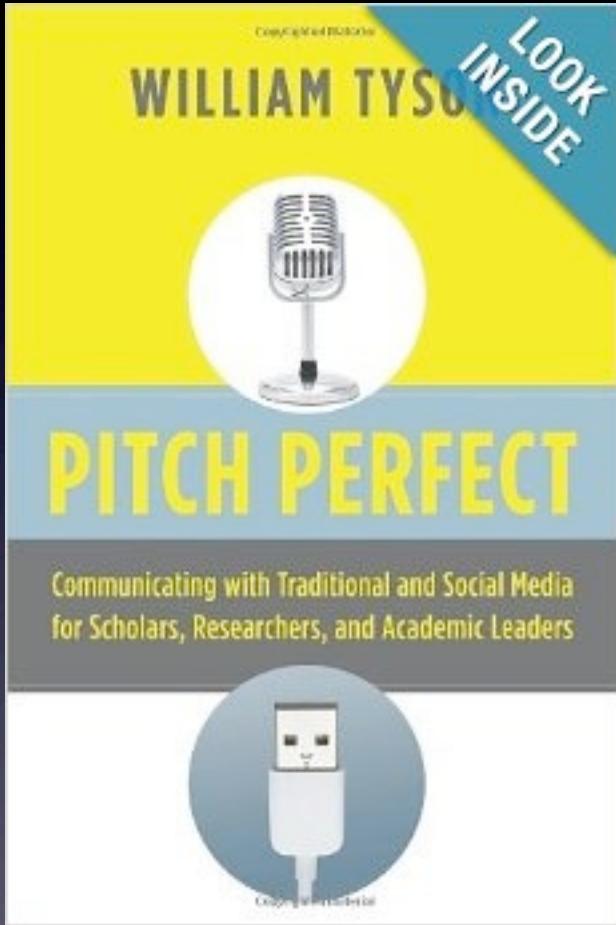
Women check out a brand's social page more often than men

More than 23% of marketers are investing in blogging and social media

Around 46% of web users turn to social media for making purchase

60% consumer says the integration of social media makes them more likely to share product and services.

## How professors are using social media



web 2.0 and beyond

blogs  
Twitter  
websites  
wikis  
podcasts  
YouTube  
Facebook

# social media at MSU

# *Communication strategies*

- Hobson's (recruitment)
- Wiki use (resource for graduate coordinators)
- Face book (public and private)
- Graduate Catalog
- Virtual GLC
- On line chats
- Blogs
- iTunesU
- YouTube
- LinkedIn
- Twitter
- Pinterest

# virtual GLC

.. Virtual GLC



Main menu

- HOME
- CREATE ACCOUNT

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Login

FIRST NAME

LAST NAME

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Laura is a 23 year old grad student aiming to prove that no woman is one-dimensional. She is earning her masters in political science, reaching out to Girl Scouts and teenage girls in her free time, and she has competed twice in the Miss Virginia pageant, earning over \$5,000 in scholarships.

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# *Communication strategies*

- Face book (public and private)
- Blogs
- iTunes U
- YouTube
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- Twitter
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- Pinterest #2

# Blogs

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### Global Perspectives Program

Developed in 2009 by Karen P. Dillipan (Vice President and Dean for Graduate Education), the Global Perspectives Program (GPP) is a study-abroad program for graduate students interested in Virginia Tech's education abroad (CEAS) in Riva del Garda, Italy. GPP is an example of a program through which Virginia Tech (VT) graduate students participate in an integrated study-at-home (GRAD 510R and GRAD 511R) and study abroad (GPP) curriculum to better prepare them to succeed as future faculty members and global citizens. This program is an integral part of the Transformational Graduate Education (TGE) initiative offered through the [VT Graduate School](#).

The Global Perspectives program enables graduate students to examine differences in academic programs and educational systems around the world, and to gain international experience and education. During the trip, participants gather firsthand knowledge about global higher education through (a) visits to a diverse array of universities, (b) discussions with various faculty, administrators, and students, and (c) dialogue among GPP participants. This program provides opportunities for graduate students to learn about the various contexts of higher education around the world and enhances a broader perspective. Through the GPP experience, students enhance their professional understanding of global higher education, gain a cultural understanding of higher education contexts, engage with new colleagues across academic disciplines, and grow as globally-oriented individuals.

To be eligible for the Global Perspectives Program, VT graduate students must successfully complete GRAD 510R (Preparing for Future Institutions) and GRAD 511R (Pedagogical Perspectives in International Higher Education). Students may receive one or two credits toward the master's degree for the course for one spring semester they also eligible for compensation. Each year in early November, a call for applications is issued by Karen Dillipan. Applications require name, degree sought, progress toward degree completion, and areas of concentration (or future environment) for GRAD 510R and GRAD 511R. Applications are evaluated by a committee consisting of the GPP director, the director of graduate education, and three other graduate education administrators. The director of graduate education will determine if the applicant has had previous international experience and how it is relevant to their aspirations as a future faculty member. Letters of recommendation are neither necessary nor desired.

GPP founder and Vice President and Dean for Graduate Education Karen P. Dillipan reviews the applications and makes selections by early January. Those students selected are required to attend monthly seminars during the spring semester. If interested, participants can receive course credit for attending one graduate-level study abroad course (GRAD 5060), in which to monitor out-of-pocket expenses and travel arrangements. The cost of the trip is approximately \$3,000-\$4,000 and is fully covered by the Graduate School. Further trip details are shared with participants when the group is selected and the itinerary is finalized. Please email [RAESD.GOTGE@VT.EDU](mailto:RAESD.GOTGE@VT.EDU) or [2040330803](tel:2040330803) (Global Perspectives Fellow) with any questions about GPP.



During the first Global Perspectives Program in May 2009, ten VT graduate students attended seminars at VT's [Center for European Studies and Archaeology](#) (CESA), visited universities in Switzerland and Italy, and participated in numerous field trips. Since that initial year, the program has expanded and now has an annual group of 14 VT graduate students. CESA serves as the primary administrative office and increased in scope and depth to become more educational and immersive. In addition to the numerous Swiss and Italian university visited on the first trip, the Global Perspectives Program now

[http://graduateschool.vt.edu/graduate\\_school/gpp/](http://graduateschool.vt.edu/graduate_school/gpp/)

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**Global Perspectives** @GPPVT 12 Jun I posted 116 photos on Facebook in the album "GPP Europe 2013" [fb.me/1p5DLA8lw](http://fb.me/1p5DLA8lw) Expand

**Global Perspectives** @GPPVUniBasel 12 Jun Where will be this time next week - DAY 3 GPP in the USA. @GPPVT @UniBasel @VTGradCommunity @NRCCedu [pic.twitter.com/m0rp15YQc](http://pic.twitter.com/m0rp15YQc) Expand Retweeted by Global Perspectives View photo

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**Karen DePauw** @kdepauw 6 Jun From the Swiss alps to grand Tetons in 24 hours minus #gpp13 and @GPPVT. Safe travels - see all at Swiss embassy [pic.twitter.com/f2N68u2bpX](http://pic.twitter.com/f2N68u2bpX) Expand Retweeted by Global Perspectives View photo

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Internationalaffairs.unibas.ch/gpp

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Karen DePauw  @kdepauw 14 Jun "GPPHigherEd: 'Is college about truth-seeking or job-seeking?' Food for thought for @gppvt @GPPUniBasel #gpp13 quickened.com/2013/06/alan..."  
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David Henry  @kdepauw 4 Jun "Right now is the time for a chaotic conversation! Something interesting will emerge #gpp13"  
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June 12 near Blacksburg, VA

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<https://blogs.vt.edu/gpfromswitzerland/>

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Universities of Lucerne opposes trend to increase fees...  
March 21 at 12:59pm

Lukas Wessmeier  
Universities of Lucerne approves trend to increase fees...  
March 21 at 12:59pm

Lukas Wessmeier  
Ochs University sponsoring for business enterprises...  
March 15 at 8:00am

Kelsey Brumley  
Looking forward to our first meeting today! Can't wait to...  
January 15 at 10:30am

Lukas Wessmeier  
My final report on first year experience: comments ...  
December 27, 2013 at 6:23am

<https://www.facebook.com/GlobalPerspectivesProgramVirginiaTech>

The image shows a screenshot of a Facebook page for the "Global Perspectives Programme, University of Basel". The page header includes the university's logo and the GPP logo. A large group photo of participants is displayed at the top. Below the photo, the page title is "Global Perspectives Programme, University of Basel". The page has 76 likes and 26 members. A post on the timeline announces the "GPP in the USA" event from June 17th to 21st, featuring "DAY 5" and a photo of two people. The sidebar on the right lists 27 friends and shows recent posts from various users.

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Co-ordinated by International Affairs, University of Basel

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## THREE KEYWORDS TO BOSTON

Posted on June 14, 2011 by Fabian Küller

Boston Tastes Delicious

We bought cupcakes (chocolate and coffee, cookies & cream) at Newbury Street. The pastries did not only look stunning but also tasted delicious. We hope that we are given the opportunity to eat more of them...



Boston Sounds Special

We saw a special musical instrument at Harvard Square Station. Not only cars are larger than in Switzerland but also tubes. We hope that we are given the opportunity to see more of them...

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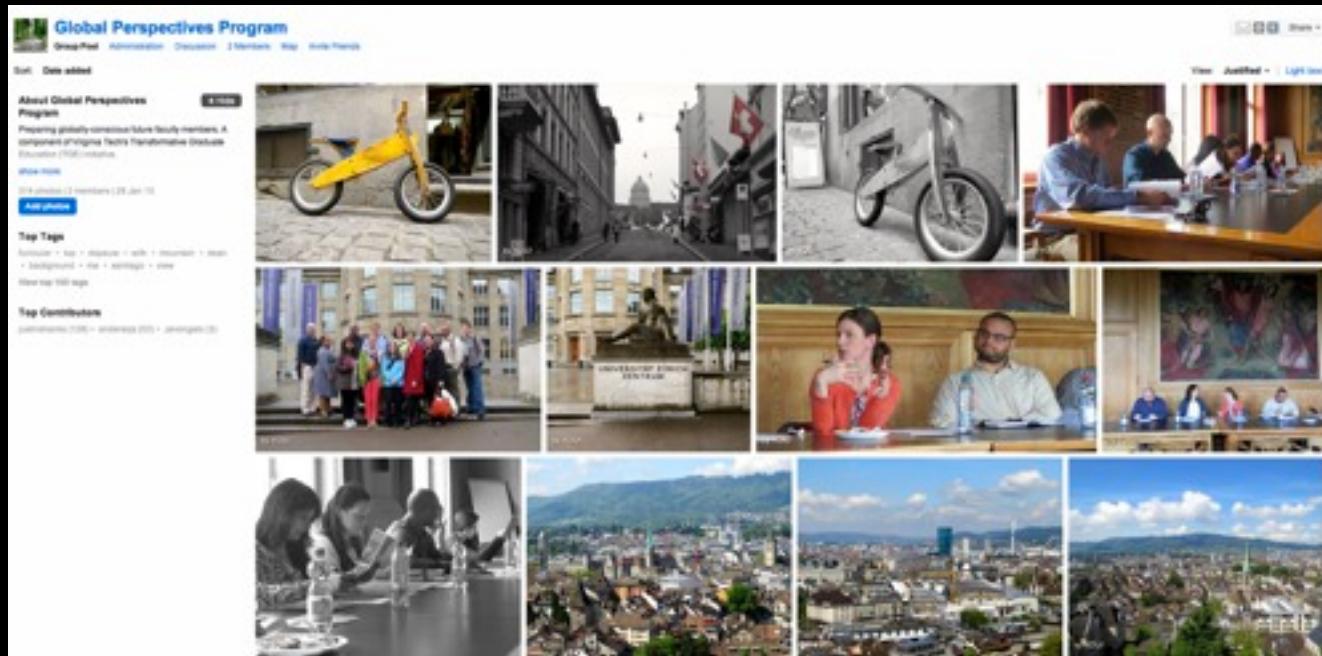
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GPP Switzerland

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Christoph Bell

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Have them in circles 6 people

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Create new page

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In 2010, a GPP relationship was solidified with Universität Basel (Unibasel). The creation of a Unibasel GPP helped strengthen an already strong connection between the two universities. The annual GPP visits to Unibasel intended to include trips to other universities in the Upper Rhine Region. Additionally, Unibasel GPP began participating in the annual GPP seminar at CESA and coordinating visits to select U.S. universities. Since 2010, each Global Perspectives Program concludes with a joint VT-Unibasel global summit held at the Swiss Embassy in Washington, DC.

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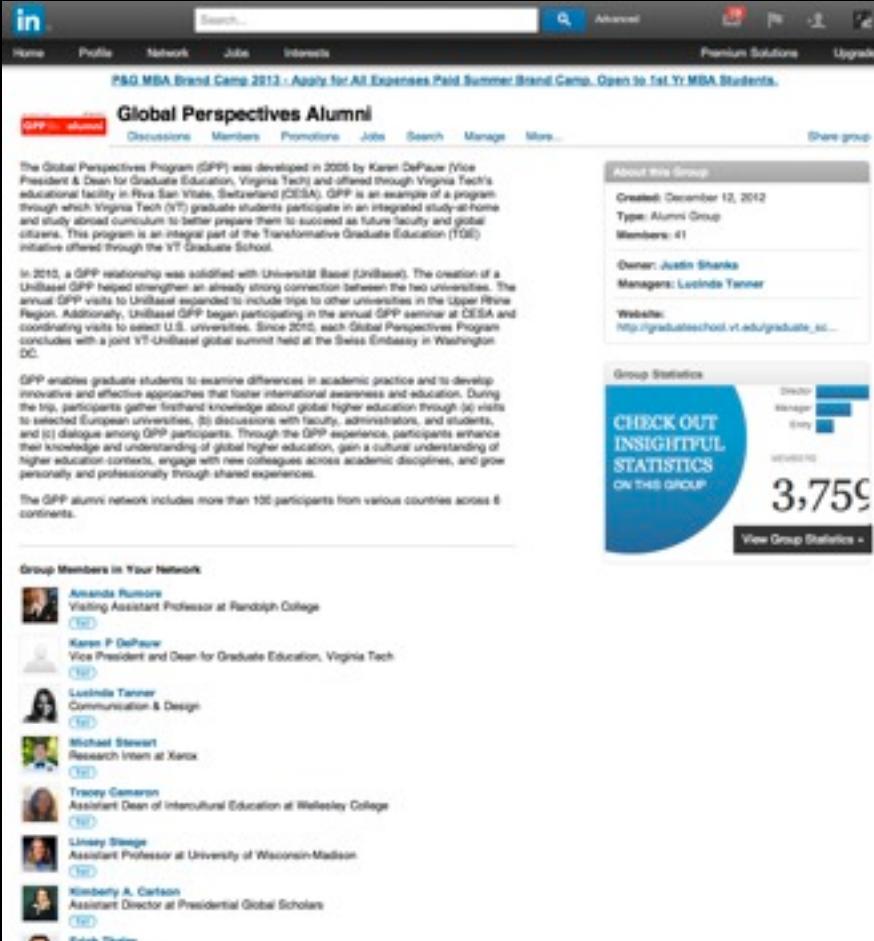
The GPP alumni network includes more than 100 participants from various countries across 8 continents.

**Group Members in Your Network**

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Lorinda Tanner Communication & Design  
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Tracey Cameron Assistant Dean of Intercultural Education at Wellesley College  
Lindsey Stuege Assistant Professor at University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Kimberly A. Carlson Assistant Director at Presidential Global Scholars  
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About this Group  
Created: December 12, 2012  
Type: Alumni Group  
Members: 41  
Owner: Justin Shanks  
Managers: Lorinda Tanner  
Website: [http://graduateschool.vt.edu/graduate\\_m...](http://graduateschool.vt.edu/graduate_m...)

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