This project proposes to build a relationship between Texas A&M University (TAMU) College of Geosciences graduate students, undergraduate students, and faculty researchers with peers from the Curtin University School of Mines in Perth, Western Australia. This project represents a proof-of-concept demonstration that will lead to a sustained exchange program between TAMU and leading centers of excellence in Geographic Information Science (GIS) around the globe.

The central goal of this project is to expose TAMU students and faculty to international perspectives and needs in the Spatial Sciences and GIS through high impact practices. The high impact practices to be employed in this project include team-based research projects, study abroad, international collaboration, and the inclusion of research within graduate and undergraduate coursework.