The World According to American Social Science

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The United States is globalizing...
Foreign-Born as Percent of U.S. Population


Percent: 5.4, 4.7, 6.2, 7.9, 11.1, 11.8
The challenge of globalizing our educational system...
“The present emergency demands that additional and more adequate educational opportunities be made available … [to] correct as rapidly as possible the existing imbalances in our educational programs which have led to an insufficient proportion of our population educated in science, mathematics, and modern foreign languages and trained in technology.”
We are profoundly alarmed by what we have found: a serious deterioration in this country's language and research capacity, at a time when an increasingly hazardous international military, political and economic environment is making unprecedented demands on America's resources, intellectual capacity and public sensitivity.
International Education and Foreign Languages
KEYS TO SECURING AMERICA'S FUTURE

Committee to Review the Title VI and Fulbright-Hays International Education Programs

“A pervasive lack of knowledge about foreign cultures and foreign languages threatens the security of the United States as well as its ability to compete in the global marketplace and produce an informed citizenry.”
Over the past 50 years, foreign language education in the U.S. has risen somewhat...
Foreign Language Enrollment in Secondary Education

Source: National Digest of Education Statistics
Language Course Enrollments, Excluding Latin and Ancient Greek, by Year

Source: Modern Language Association, *Enrollment in Languages Other than English in United States Institutions of Higher Education, Fall 2009* (December 2010); and World Development Indicators.
Over the past 50 years, American social sciences have consistently devoted about half of their scholarly attention to the world outside of the U.S., according to my preliminary research...
Social science flagship journal articles, 1959-2008, with non-U.S. focus

Percent of empirical articles

Year


- Am. Anth.
- Am. Soc. Rev.
- Average
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World Regions in Flagship Social Science Journals, 1958-2008
Has collection of international materials at American research libraries kept pace?
Book Holdings at the UNC-Chapel Hill Library

Other languages
French, German, Russian, Spanish
English

Percent

Year

Digital solutions?
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· Supporting the advanced printing of the images and texts of the searched items with the capability of changing the size (Zoom).
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Four dilemmas of digitization:

1. Right-to-left scripts
2. Vertical pages on horizontal screens
3. Optical character recognition for non-Latin scripts
4. Copyright
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- Easy Export to word, Excel, PDF, ...
- Volume scanning support
- Advanced recognition features
- And more...
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