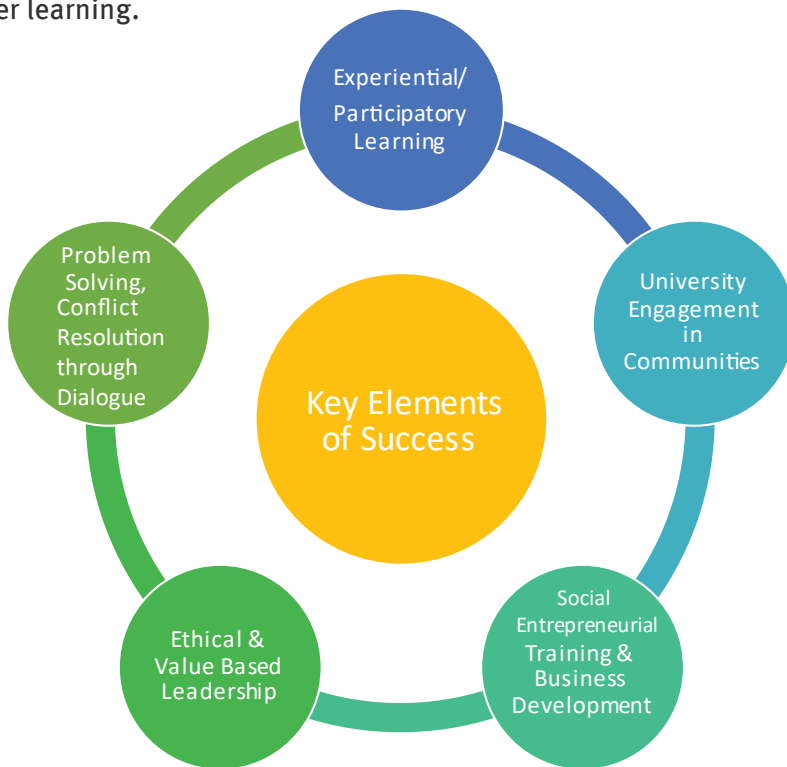


TRANSFORMING HIGHER EDUCATION

The American University of Beirut (AUB) in partnership with the Global Confederation of Higher Education Associations for Agricultural and Life Sciences (GCHERA), EARTH University and the W.K. Kellogg Foundation has launched a project to introduce key elements of success in university transformation, which have been modeled by EARTH University and other institutions, to universities in Mexico and Haiti, and across GCHERA's global university network over a period of three years between July, 2018 and June, 2021.

These Key Elements of Success will be introduced to strengthen learning processes among the select global institutions of higher learning.



Mission

We are committed to providing quality, student-centered education that produces graduates with the knowledge and skills to become ethical leaders who contribute to our global society by building a sustainable planet with peace, dignity, justice, and opportunity for all.

Goal

Prepare university graduates as ethical leaders that serve society –who are creative and innovative problem solvers contributing to improving the well-being of their communities and countries by positively affecting the environment, promoting peace and understanding, and respecting diversity.

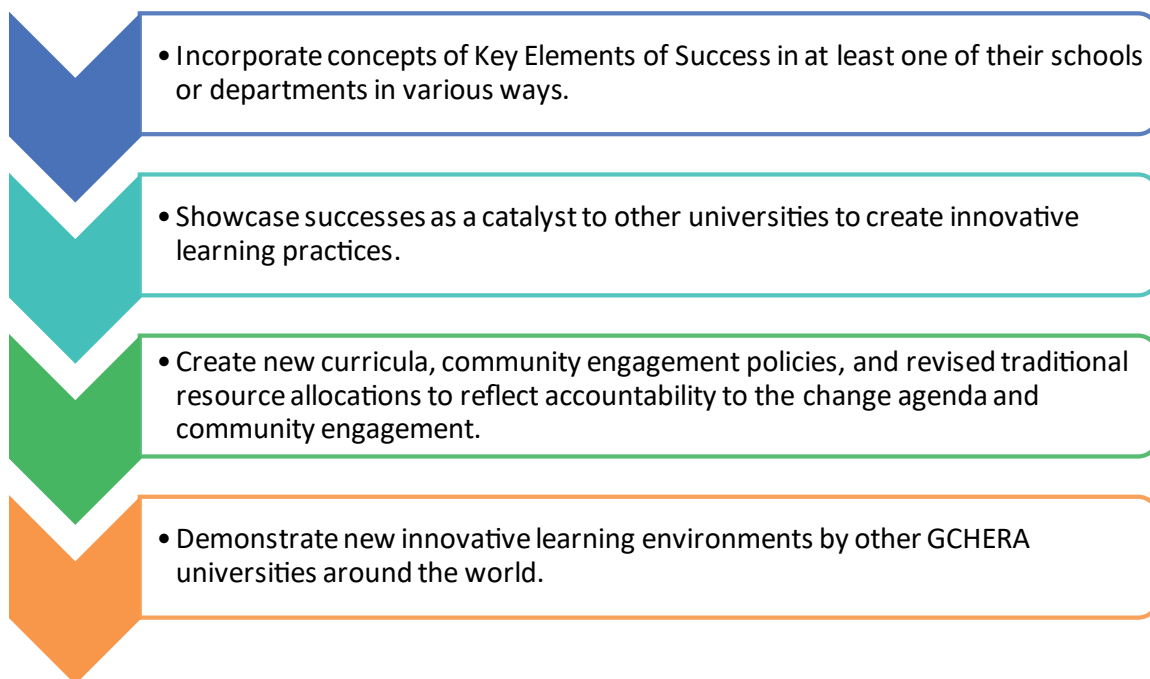
Objectives

- Catalyze university change including greater community engagement
- Educate future leaders and change-agents needed to address the challenges facing the agricultural sector, rural communities and societal well-being locally and globally
- Disseminate Key Elements of Success with focus on pilot universities in Haiti and Mexico
- Share the EARTH University experiences through GCHERA's Global Network
- Engage GCHERA member universities to share their experiences and innovations and to leverage the project on a global scale

Key Outcomes

- Select Key Elements of Success will be shared and embraced by pilot institutions and the global GCHERA audience according to their vision for change and particular circumstances and needs
- The selected universities will be better prepared for integrating problem solving, social entrepreneurship, environmental awareness, ethical leadership and decision-making, and community engagement in their educational systems
- Selected universities will become models for others in their regions of the world
- Globally there will be subject matter networks of specialists for each of the key elements of success to continue institutionalization of innovative learning practices
- GCHERA's initiative on reforming undergraduate education will be strengthened, impacting universities across its 900 member network

Change agenda for participating universities* would be expected to



*Other interested universities are invited to participate in project activities.



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