

Purpose:

The International Endowment Foundation was organized and incorporated on February 4, 1953 for the purpose of seeking voluntary private support from alumni, parents, friends, corporations, foundations, and others for the purpose of supporting and sustaining the Dr. James H. & Myra Hume Jones International House Program at JSU.

As stated in its Articles of Incorporation, the Foundation is a separately incorporated 501 (C)(3) organization and is responsible for identifying and nurturing relationships with potential donors and other friends of the International House Program.

More specifically, the purposes of the IEF are to:

- Provide opportunities to students from around the globe to obtain understanding of the American way of life.
- Promote international understanding through the knowledge and appreciation of various cultures and customs.
- Provide educational opportunities to young people for intellectual and professional leadership, as well as statesmanship.
- Permit and encourage the students sponsored by the International Endowment Foundation to select, prepare for, and engage in the business or profession of their choice, and to instill in them a burning desire and lasting determination to use their abilities for the good of their country and people for the promotion of world brotherhood and peace.
- To solidly unite the citizens of Jacksonville and surrounding communities, and the state of Alabama at large, in actively and cooperatively supporting the efforts of the International Endowment Foundation.

The International Endowment Foundation

Mission:

The mission of the foundation is to raise and manage private resources that will support the mission and priorities of the Dr. James H. & Myra Hume Jones International House Program at JSU, and that will provide opportunities for students (both foreign and U.S.) to achieve excellence in education and leadership skills unavailable with state funds alone.

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YOU WILL LOVE ONE ANOTHER.”**



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About the Jones International House Program

The Jones International House Program provides a window into the world for students at Jacksonville State University and the surrounding community. The program began in 1946 with the motto, “know one another and you will love one another.” Initially, the program hosted four students from France. Through his own life experiences Dr. James H. Jones, founder of the International House Program believed that one way to promote peace in the world was to get people from different countries to know each other; their cultures, languages, religions, etc. The program continues to place greater importance on promoting global understanding and peace between all nations and cultures.

There are 40 members of the program— 20 American students and 20 internationals. Each international student is from a different country and is roomed with an American student. International House Program strives to provide an environment in which international students can easily learn more about American society, and in which students from Alabama can learn about other societies.

Students accepted into the program may stay for a total of 4 semesters if they continue to meet the conditions of remaining in the program.

The International House program places special emphasis on:

- Knowledge of the cultures of countries of the world.
- Understanding and appreciation of different cultural values and systems.
- Coordinating the activities of the students, American and foreign, into the total academic and social life of the University and community.
- Providing opportunities for dialogue and discussion among the members concerning topics related to the political, social, economic, spiritual, and human relations aspects of the countries represented.

The International House Program is a remarkable 76 -plus-year-old tradition at Jacksonville State University and has been contributing immensely to the cultural diversity of our university and the community.

THE JONES INTERNATIONAL HOUSE PROGRAM

The Mission of the International House Program

The mission of the International House Program is to provide a platform for our American students and international students to engage in intercultural living and learning programs thereby promoting global understanding and peace.



Opportunities for college students to develop essential skills:

- Open-mindedness: Open to learning and respecting people from other cultures, ethnicities, and lifestyles different from their own
- Global Perspective: Look beyond where they come from and exhibit an eagerness to learn about others
- Leadership: Take charge when needed but listen to what others have to say and give everyone a voice
- Accountability: Becoming more dependable and accountable for responsibilities that need to be accomplished
- Community Engagement: Being of service to the community