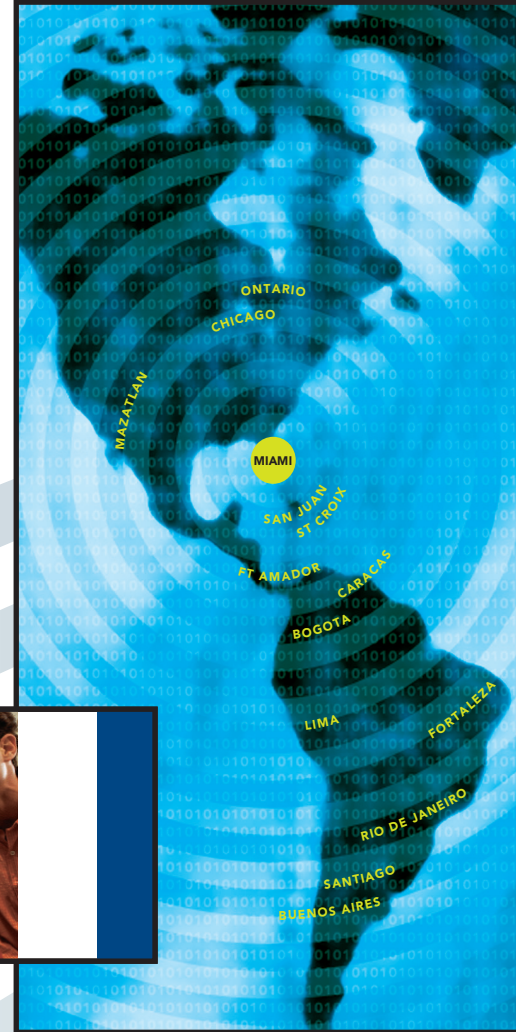


AMPATH™

The AmericasPATH (AMPATH) International Exchange Point and advanced networking infrastructure is an FIU project supported by the National Science Foundation and in collaboration with Global Crossing (GC). Using GC's terrestrial and submarine optical-fiber network, AMPATH interconnects the research and education networks in South and Central America, Mexico, and the Caribbean to US and non-US Research and Education networks via Internet2's Abilene network and the StarLight International Exchange Point in Chicago, Illinois.

The purpose of the AMPATH project is to allow participating countries to contribute to the research and development of applications for the advancement of Internet technologies. The AMPATH project seeks to advance the Internet2 project's goal of encouraging and enabling the development of advanced network applications. The mission of AMPATH is to serve as the pathway for Research and Education Networking in the Americas and to the world.

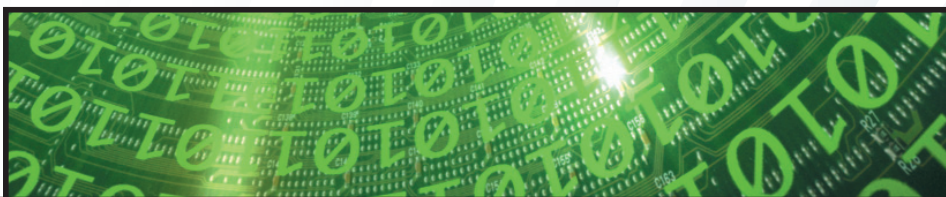


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INDUSTRIAL AFFILIATES PROGRAM (IAP)

The AMPATH IAP brings industry and higher education together to ensure that the highest quality workforce is available to support the new economy. Companies have the opportunity to develop relationships with students through internships formulated as part of the scholar's curriculum and position to compete in recruitment. This program is possible because of the AMPATH project, collaboration between FIU and Global Crossing, Cisco Systems, Lucent Technologies, Terremark Worldwide NAP of the Americas, AVAYA, Internet2, and StarLight. Our Industrial Affiliates have all contributed significant products and services to AMPATH because of the potential to reach the research and education markets in Latin America and the Caribbean.





IAP PROGRAM GOALS

The AMPATH IAP establishes internships for Florida International University students of telecommunications networking, information technology & systems, engineering, and computer science, as well as assists the AMPATH project goals:

- To enable participating countries to contribute to the research and development of applications for the advancement of Internet Technologies
- To extend the Internet2 research and education community for high-performance networking to Latin America and the Caribbean

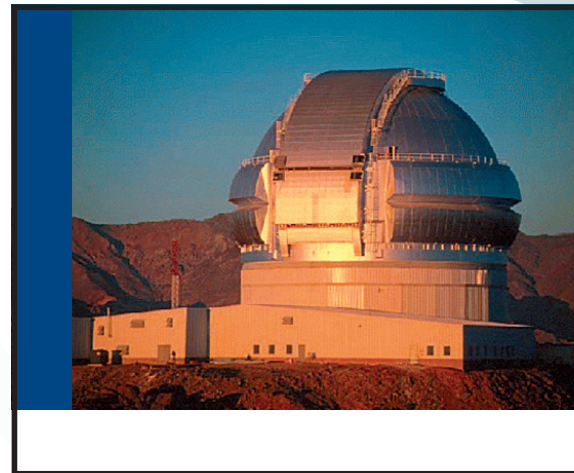
IAP PROGRAM COMPONENTS

- Internships for undergraduate and graduate network engineering, computer science, and information systems students
- Training for the telecommunications and information technology workforce using the AMPATH International Exchange Point and Advanced Networking testbed
- Internships for students with South Florida's Telecommunications Industry Leaders
- Network connections for Latin America to Internet2 and StarLight for research and education helping to bridge the Digital Divide
- Local and International Sponsored Research Symposiums and workshops to bring arts and sciences collaborators together in the Americas and throughout the world
- Advance the mission of AMPATH

RESEARCH PROJECTS USING THE AMPATH NETWORK

- Optical Wavelengths
- IPv6
- Multicast
- QoS
- Access Grid
- Wireless to wired networking
- Mobile networking
- Nomadic networking
- Distance Learning Innovations
- Emerging Technologies

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