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Plans for International University Announced

• The Ministry of Foreign Affairs announced in late December that funding for construction of Vietnam's first international university has been approved. To be located in Ho Chi Minh City and Di An, Viet Nam International University will include undergraduate and graduate training for both Vietnamese and foreign students. The university hopes to attract up to half of its faculty from abroad, the majority of whom will be lecturing in English. The curriculums will be created in cooperation with foreign universities, and programs will be offered in information technology, biotechnology, telecommunications, business management and law. The university plans to recruit approximately 200 students for the fall term.

The announcement came on the heels of an announcement by Australian-owned RMIT Vietnam that it will begin construction of a second campus in the Saigon area. Although RMIT enrolled only 700 students in its first two years, the second campus expects to accommodate up to 10,000 students.

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