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**BUILDING CAPACITY  
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## High Impact Global Learning Practices Partnerships for Global Learning

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# **EWB-USA's Global Classroom**

## **A partnership with CU Boulder's Extraordinary Program and EARTH University**

Design Global – Engineer Local: The Nexus of Food, Water,  
and Energy

- Instructor common to CU Boulder and EWB-USA
- Content provided by EWB-USA and Earth University
- Continuing Education Credits provided by CU Boulder
- Hosted by EARTH University in Costa Rica

# Course Components

## Pre Course Work

- Assigned Readings – 2 Books
- Assigned Compare and Contrast Case Studies – 2 Dams
- Finca Homestay Introduction

## Course Work

- 2 Weeks on EARTH University Campus with 45 contact hours
- Integration of EARTH Students and EWB-USA Participants
- Integration of EARTH Faculty and EWB-USA Instructors
- Daily Reflection Journal

## Post Course Work

- Case Study on the Nexus of Food, Water, Energy and how that applies at the National, Regional, and Local Levels in Costa Rica



# Transformational Elements





# Elements of Success

Philosophical and Cultural Alignment are Crucial !

Defined Outcomes of Success are necessary for:

- Organizations
- Instructors
- Students

A Year of Planning and Conference Calls

