CENTERS FOR GLOBAL LEARNING: VARIATIONS IN STRUCTURE AND OPERATIONS

DEVELOPING GLOBAL EDUCATION NETWORKS: TRANSACTIONAL AND RELATIONAL APPROACHES

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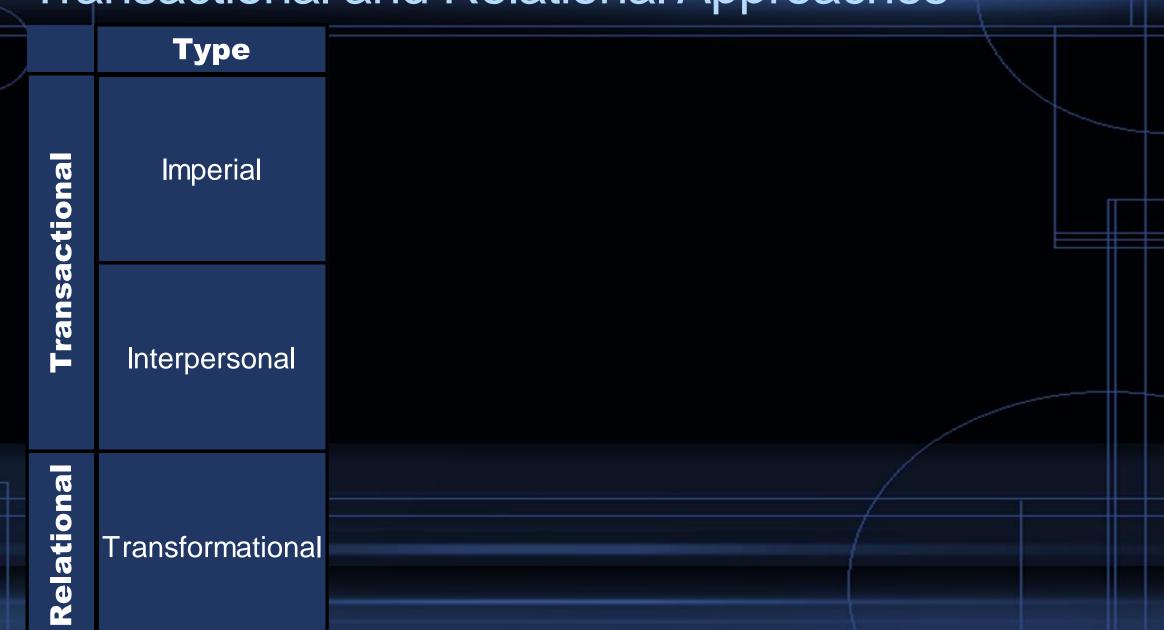- openness to new ideas and different perspectives

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   - Global commitment
   - Orphaned students
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Build and Reinforce Relationships

Relational →

Familiarity and Trust →

Shared/Joint Programs →

Bilateral Programs

Global Liberal Arts Alliance **Relationships**

- **30** liberal arts colleges – 19 countries
- **100+** Alliance-supported conferences, professional development or sabbatical visits, research collaborations, and technology-linked international courses.
- **900+** faculty and staff involved
- Adding special student programs (150+)
- Growing number of bilateral initiatives

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