IBM System z Academic Initiative

- <u>Enable</u> Educators with Enterprise Systems Resources

- <u>Assist</u> Clients with New Skills

Student Hiring (examples)

CONNECTIONS (academia/industry) Everyone

GROWTH (# schools & program)

OUTREACH (community) Everyone

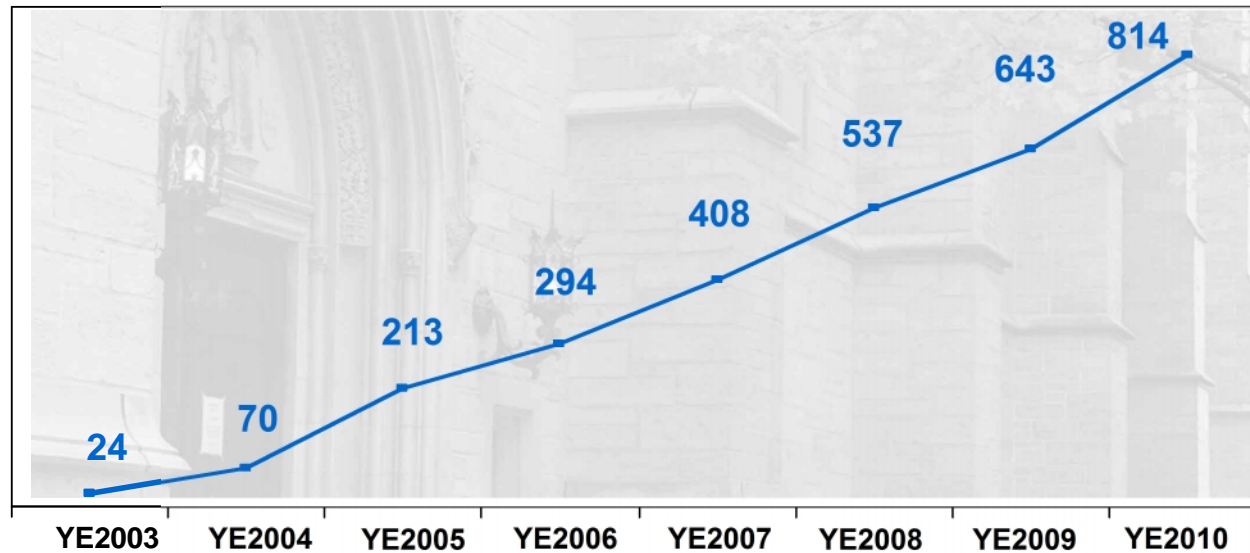**Program (investment & resources)**

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Academic Initiative System z Member schools worldwide

- 814 Membership Schools in 2011 – > 56,000 students attended mainframe education, reaching students in 61 countries

- Participation continues to increase
  - **45% North America**
  - **24% Europe, Middle East, and Africa**
  - **16% Latin America**
  - **15% Asia/Pacific**

- Wide variety of schools in the program *- Different level of participation*

- All programs are unique - Designed to provide flexibility to the school to meet their requirements

System z program resources to assist and enable educators

7 years of building more mainframe skills

Access to mainframes worldwide for teaching (free)

Courses and z/OS Mastery Exams
to validate z knowledge

z Skills Help Desk
to assist the community
zskills @us.ibm.com

Student Mainframe Contests
to generate interest

Professor education

Roundtables on Campus
to get industry input

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How educators get started

- **Educators join the initiative at: ibm.com/university/systemz**

800+
Schools

Download Course Materials

45 courses

Request access to mainframes

Hubs that provide
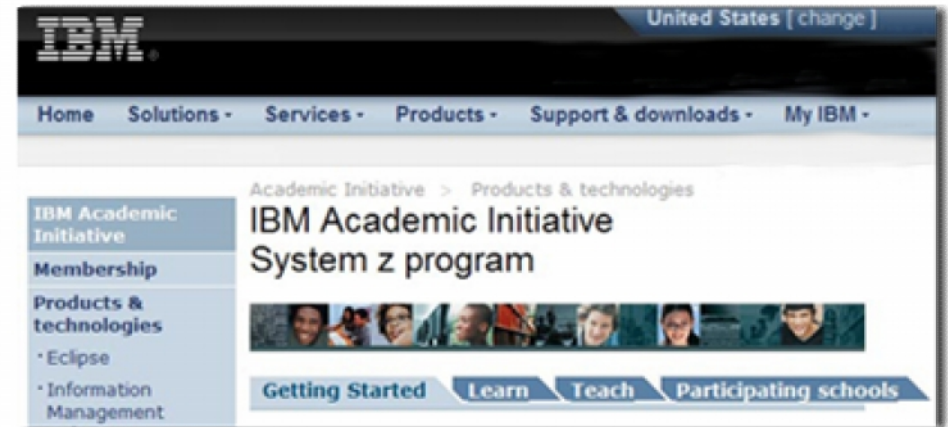remote access
world wide

Attend faculty education

Professor seminars,
education coupons

We want every client running mainframes to know …

- ***List of schools teaching the mainframe***
  ibm.com/university/systemz
  Click on 'Participating Schools' tab

- **System z Job Board**
  systemzjobs.com – post your openings at no charge

- ***Online mainframe education*** (certificates)
  www.idcp.org/learnzos.html

- ***System z Skills Help Desk***
  zskills@us.ibm.com
  If you want to get involved

- ***Shared education resources for the mainframe community***
  http://www-03.ibm.com/systems/z/advantages/charter/skills.html

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Introducing **SystemzJobs.com**

The IBM System z Job Board at **SystemzJobs.com** is a new resource to connect IBM System z clients, partners, and businesses with students learning the mainframe and professionals seeking System z job opportunities.

SystemzJobs.com lets you post your job requirements for job seekers to review and apply.

Benefits of using SystemzJobs.com

- Free, secure, and easy to use
- Specialized audience of mainframe educated students and experienced professionals
- Global pool of mainframe talent

Getting started

Follow these steps at SystemzJobs.com to get started:

1. Create a secure account
2. Post your job description
3. Connect with qualified candidates

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Visit: **ibm.com**/university/systemz

Questions? Contact zSkills @us.ibm.com

Important Web sites and contacts

- **Academic Initiative for the Mainframe**

  ibm.com/university/systemz

- **Assisting the z community**
  zskills@us.ibm.com

- **z/OS Entry Level Mastery Exam & DB**

  ibm.com/certify/mastery_tests/ovrZ01.shtml

- **Enhanced skills portal**

  ibm.com/systems/z/about/charter/skills.html

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Schools in EMEA

- **A complete list of participating schools is located on the IBM Academic Initiative System z web site at** ibm.com**/university/systemz/schoolsEMEA.html**

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