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Thesis

In order to improve the development of Latin America's population to not fall behind a competitive globalized economy, governments must work to focus more on the accessibility and quality of education to increase literacy, knowledge and skills necessary for their entire population to grow.



Overview



- History of Latin America and it's current situation
- Importance of Education
- General Latin American Education
- Educational Barriers (3)
- Guatemalan Education System
- Costa Rican Education System
- Educational Aid Programs



Kevin Smith, Director of Visiting International Faculty's (VIF) Splash Dual Language Programs

"Primary education is critical, non-negotiable, it has to be of high quality. If it is of high quality, then those children going to be ready for more challenging, more complex, more advanced learning. If they don't have solid foundations, they are going to struggle and eventually they're going to drop out and that is where we run into problems. So the experience at the elementary level needs to be rigorous, and it needs to be fun. We want to make education fun. So that children learn to enjoy reading, enjoy the math, and enjoy everything..."



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Latin American Education

- Classes are taught in Spanish, and depending on country, may have an elective or required English class
- Primary education is compulsory in Latin America between the ages of 6-14 years old
- Elementary school starts officially starts in kindergarten all the way to 6th grade.
- No middle school



[Elementary classroom in Mexico]

Latin American Educational Barriers

- Quality of Education
- Poverty and Dropouts
- Chronic Malnutrition

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[Brazillian school children]

Quality of Latin American Education

 "Research shows that the quality of students' teachers has a huge impact on the students' success in school and life"

[Peruvian School <u>Children]</u>