

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, 2024/25



9,848

International Students



27

Rank in the United States*



-2.0

% Change from Previous Year



\$295,472,037

Estimated International Student Expenditure**

LEADING PLACES OF ORIGIN

Place of Origin	% Total
India	19.1
China	8.3
Nepal	7.3
Nigeria	6.6
Bangladesh	3.8

LEADING INSTITUTIONS

Institution	Total
University of Kentucky	1,541
University of Louisville	1,076
Murray State University	504
Northern Kentucky University	446
Western Kentucky University	150

U.S. STUDENTS STUDYING ABROAD, 2023/24



3,208

U.S. Students Studying Abroad



30

Rank in the United States*



0.6

% Change from Previous Year



Business

Leading Major of Study Abroad Students

LEADING DESTINATIONS

Destination	% Total
United Kingdom	16.4
Italy	14.9
Spain	7.7
France	6.5
Germany	4.1

LEADING INSTITUTIONS

Institution	Total
University of Kentucky	977
University of Louisville	403
Centre College	360
Western Kentucky University	238
Murray State University	220

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE FUNDED PROGRAMS

The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship program data includes students who participated in in-person programs. The Critical Language Scholarship program data includes students who participated in virtual and in-person programs.

Exchange Program	Fulbright Program 2024/25	Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship 2024/25	Critical Language Scholarship 2024/25
U.S. students from colleges and universities in the state	14	90	8
International students at colleges and universities in the state	13		

*Rankings include all 50 U.S. states in addition to Washington, D.C., Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

**Economic analysis produced by NAFSA: Association of International Educators based on enrollment data from *Open Doors* 2025. <https://www.nafsa.org/economicvalue>

Note: Leading institutions with ten or more international or study abroad students.

Source: *Open Doors Report on International Educational Exchange*. For more information, visit <https://opendoorsdata.org/>.

