

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, 2024/25



6,863

International Students



33

Rank in the United States*



4.4

% Change from Previous Year



\$207,243,683

Estimated International Student Expenditure**

LEADING PLACES OF ORIGIN

| Place of Origin | % Total |
|-----------------|---------|
| India | 30.4 |
| China | 12.2 |
| Iran | 3.1 |
| Nigeria | 3 |
| Canada | 2.6 |

LEADING INSTITUTIONS

| Institution | Total |
|---|-------|
| Clemson University | 2,205 |
| University of South Carolina - Columbia | 1,988 |
| Clemson University - Greenville | 360 |
| Anderson University | 351 |
| Bob Jones University | 202 |

U.S. STUDENTS STUDYING ABROAD, 2023/24



5,772

U.S. Students Studying Abroad



18

Rank in the United States*



5.3

% Change from Previous Year



Business

Leading Major of Study Abroad Students

LEADING DESTINATIONS

| Destination | % Total |
|----------------|---------|
| Italy | 23.8 |
| Spain | 20.3 |
| United Kingdom | 8.1 |
| Greece | 4.4 |
| France | 4.3 |

LEADING INSTITUTIONS

| Institution | Total |
|---|-------|
| University of South Carolina - Columbia | 1,983 |
| Clemson University - Greenville | 1,527 |
| College of Charleston | 817 |
| Wofford College | 496 |
| Furman University | 322 |

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 | 15 | 62 | 10 |
| International students at colleges and universities in the state | 18 | | |

*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/>.

