State Facts and Figures 2026

Virginia

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, 2025/26

24,248
International Students

17
Rank in the United States*

3
% Change from Previous Year

$920,081,613
International Student Expenditure**

Math & Comp. Sci.
Leading Major of International Students

LEADING PLACES OF ORIGIN

Place of Origin	% Total
India	29
China	18
South Korea	4
Bangladesh	3
Nepal	2

LEADING INSTITUTIONS

Institution	Total
George Mason University	5,741
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University	5,507
University of Virginia - Charlottesville	3,297
Trine University - Reston Education Center	1,785
Northern Virginia Community College	1,551

U.S. STUDENTS STUDYING ABROAD, 2024/25

11,424
U.S. Students Studying Abroad

10
Rank in the United States*

10
% Change from Previous Year

Business
Leading Major of Study Abroad Students

LEADING DESTINATIONS

Destination	% Total
United Kingdom	18
Spain	12
Italy	11
Switzerland	5
France	4

LEADING INSTITUTIONS

Institution	Total
University of Virginia - Charlottesville	2,597
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University	1,408
James Madison University	1,284
College of William and Mary	942
George Mason University	904

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE FUNDED PROGRAMS

Exchange Program	Fulbright 2025/26	Gilman 2025/26	Critical Language Scholarship 2025/26
U.S. students from colleges and universities in the state	61	78	19
International students at colleges and universities in the state	42		

*Rankings include all 50 U.S. states in addition to Washington, D.C., Guam, 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* 2026. 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/.

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