

MINNESOTA STATE FACT SHEET

Each year, Minnesota businesses host international college students and graduates participating in the Department of State's J-1 visa Summer Work Travel, Intern, Trainee, Au Pair, and Camp Counselor programs. This collaboration offers myriad diplomacy and national security benefits to our country, and significant economic benefits – including vital tax revenue – to communities across Minnesota.

Economic Impact of Summer Work Travel Participants:

\$9.2 million

*Source: *Summer Work Travel (SWT) Program Review* by EurekaFacts, August 2018

Economic Impact of Intern and Trainee Participants:

\$11.7 million

*Source: *Intern and Trainee Exchange Program Review* by EurekaFacts, June 2017

Prominent Host Communities:

Grand Marais, Minneapolis-Saint Paul, Nisswa, Rochester, Shakopee

Prominent Host Employers:

Bluefin Bay
Cedar Fair Entertainment
Maddens On Gull Lake
Superior Shores Resort
Valleyfair a Cedar Fair Park Resort

International Students in the State:

15,695

*Number of international students enrolled at colleges/universities in the state. Source: *Open Doors 2018*

American Students Abroad:

8,612

*Total number of U.S. Study Abroad Students enrolled through institutions in the state, 2016/2017. Source: *Open Doors 2018*

Total Number of Participants:

- **Au Pair**
330
- **Camp Counselor**
641
- **Intern**
445
- **Summer Work Travel**
1728
- **Trainee**
214

*Source: *U.S. Department of State, 2018*

