

ARKANSAS STATE FACT SHEET



Higher Education

During the 2022/23 academic year...	5,680 international students attended colleges and universities in Arkansas,
contributing \$146.6 million to the state economy	and supporting 947 jobs .*

During the 2021/22 academic year... **...1,495** Arkansas students studied abroad.**

*Source: NAFSA International Student Economic Value Tool, 2023

**Source: Open Doors, 2023

U.S. Department of State BridgeUSA Programs

Each year, businesses host international college students, graduates, and visitors participating in BridgeUSA programs. These programs support national security benefits, strengthen the U.S. economy, and increase mutual understanding.

In 2022...

29 Au Pair participants	40 Camp Counselor participants	61 Intern/Trainee participants	176 Summer Work Travel participants	33 Teacher participants
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...from countries around the world contributed culturally and economically to communities across Arkansas.*

*Source: U.S. Department of State, 2022

U.S. Department of State Funded Programs

Each year, the U.S. Department of State funds educational and cultural exchange programs that engage youth, students, educators, artists, athletes, and rising leaders in the United States and more than 160 countries.

OUTBOUND PROGRAMS		INBOUND PROGRAMS	
Fulbright Program (2022/23)*	4 students	Fulbright Program (2022/23)*	23 students
Gilman Scholarship (2022/2023)*	40 students	IVLP (FY22)***	80 international leaders
Critical Language Scholarship (2022/23)*	4 students		
FLEX Program (2022/2023)*		FLEX Program (2022/2023)*	6 students
YES Program (2022/23)*		YES Program (2022/23)*	8 students

*Source: Open Doors, 2023

**Source: U.S. Department of State, 2022

***Source: GlobalTiesUS.org, 2022