Higher Education

**During the 2022/23 academic year...**

- **16,727** international students attended colleges and universities in Connecticut,
- contributing **$698.2 million** to the state economy
- and supporting **6,228** jobs.*

**During the 2021/22 academic year...**

- **3,052** Connecticut 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...

- **727** Au Pair participants
- **872** Camp Counselor participants
- **193** Intern/Trainee participants
- **526** Summer Work Travel participants
- **18** Teacher participants

...from countries around the world contributed culturally and economically to communities across Connecticut.*

*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.

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