Higher Education

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

- 6,173 international students attended colleges and universities in South Carolina,
- contributing $181.6 million to the state economy
- and supporting 1,455 jobs.*

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

- ...4,040 South Carolina students studied abroad.**

*Source: NAFSA International Student Economic Value Tool, 2023
**Source: Open Doors, 2023

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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...**

- 172 Au Pair participants
- 24 Camp Counselor participants
- 392 Intern/Trainee participants
- 2,380 Summer Work Travel participants
- 374 Teacher participants

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

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

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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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