

DIVERSITY REPORT

ANALYSIS OF STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES ABROAD

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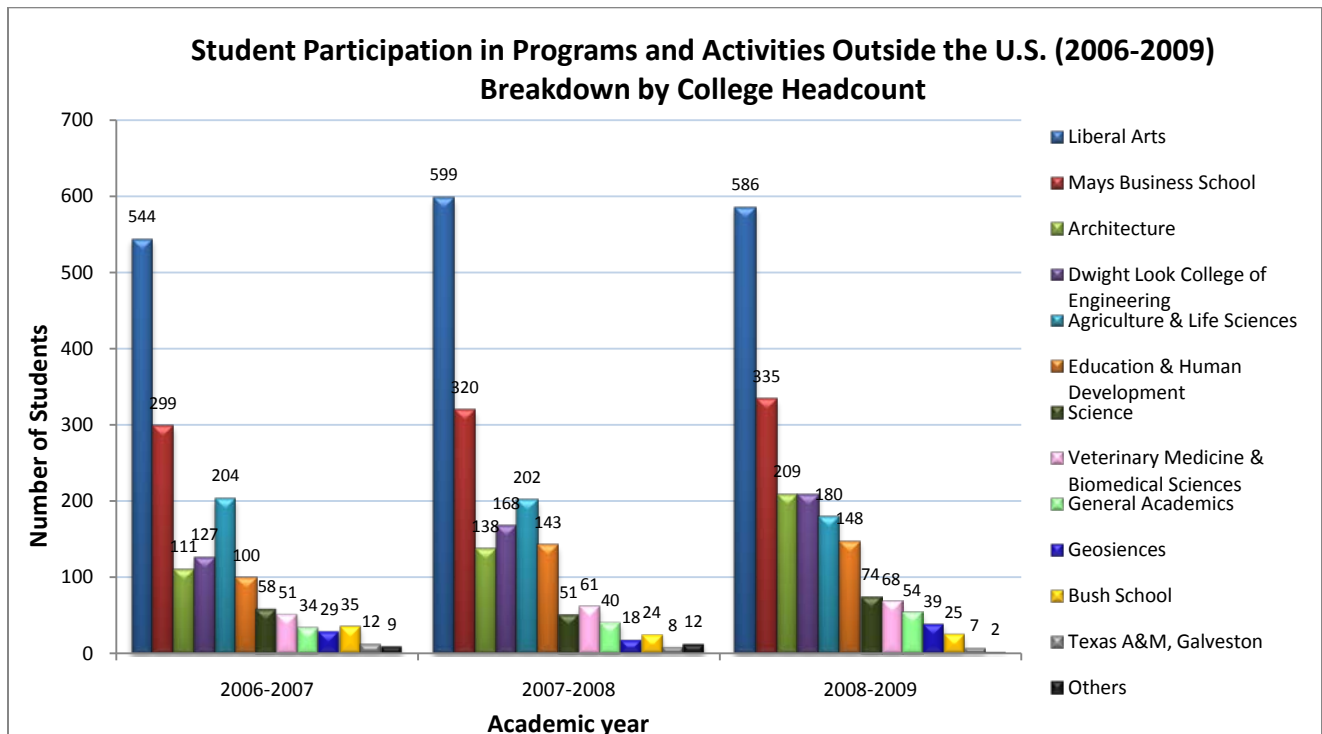
Every year large number of students from Texas A&M University travel abroad on credit or non-credit bearing university related programs and activities. The number of students travelling abroad has increased steadily from 2006 to 2009.

NATIONAL TRENDS

The data gathered from the *Open Doors Report*, published annually by the Institute of International Education, shows that Texas A&M ranks 34th nationally for sending its students on credit bearing programs and activities abroad. In the academic year 2007-2008, 65% of the students participating in these programs from across the United States were female and 35% were male. In the same year, the racial/ethnic breakdown showed 82% of the students participating in these programs were White, 7% Asian, 6% Hispanic and 4% African-American.

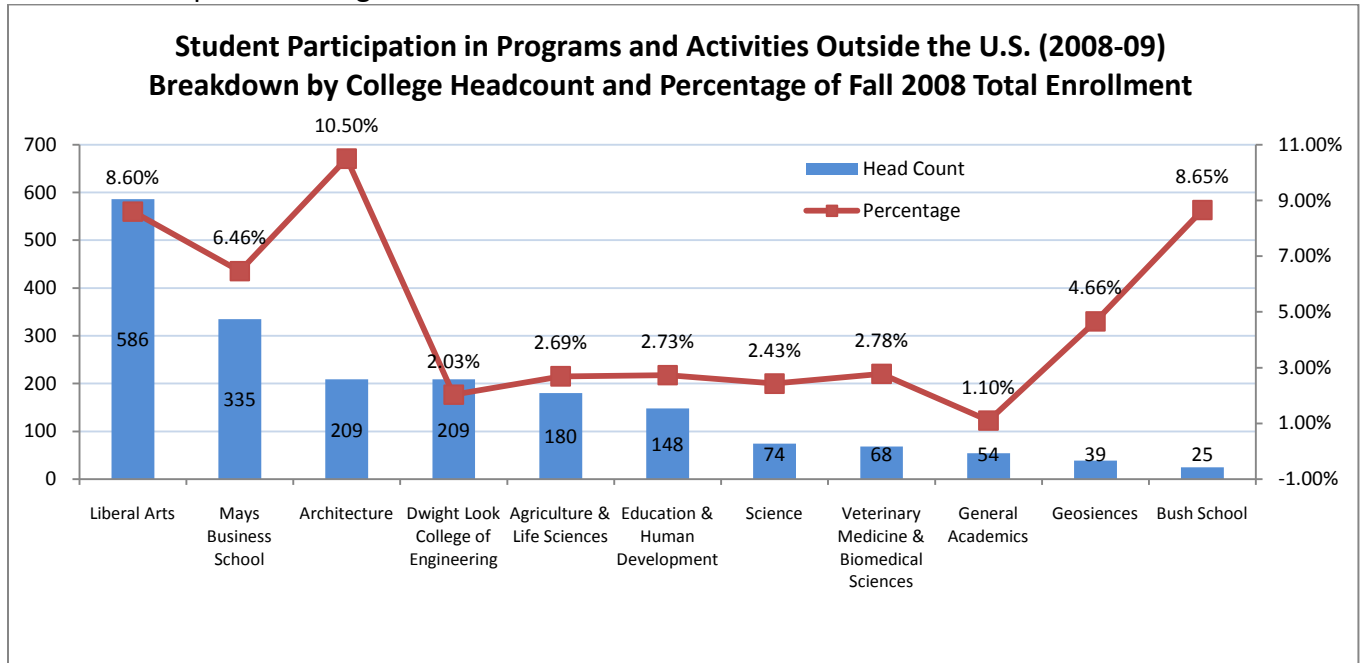
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The breakdown of the students from Texas A&M participating in the programs and activities abroad is shown below. College of Liberal Arts has the maximum number of students who travelled abroad, followed by the Mays Business School and Agriculture & Life Sciences. The Dwight Look College of Engineering had a steady increase in the number of students travelling outside the U.S. from 2006 to 2009. Geosciences, the Bush School of Government & Public Service and Texas A&M at Galveston had the smallest number of students who travelled abroad.



Source: Study Abroad Programs Office, Texas A&M Univ.

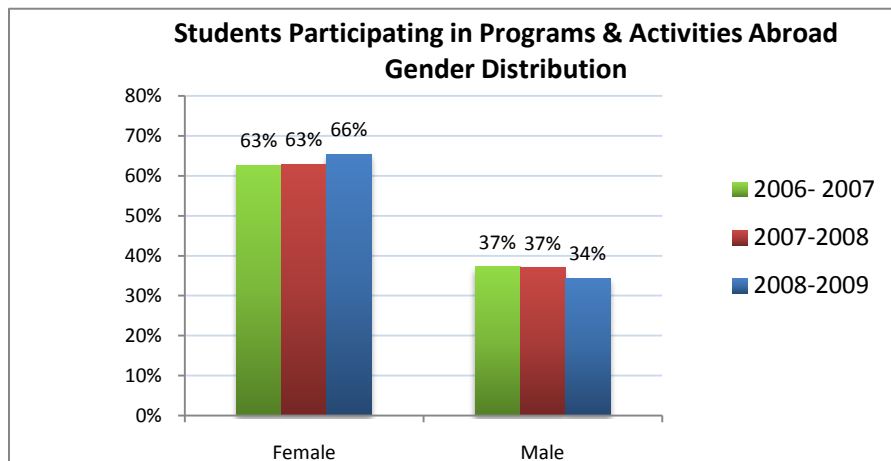
Although College of Liberal Arts sends the most A&M students abroad, the highest percentage of students travelling abroad is from the College of Architecture. In the academic year 2008-2009, almost 11% of the total enrolled students from the College of Architecture had participated in activities and programs outside the U.S.A. While the headcount of students from Agriculture & Life Sciences and Education & Human Development who have travelled abroad is large, they comprise only a small percentage, 2.7%, of the total enrolled students from these respective colleges.



Source: Study Abroad Programs Office, Texas A&M Univ.

GENDER DISTRIBUTION

In the last three academic years, among the students who have travelled abroad, the female students have outnumbered the male students. An average 64% of the students are female and 36% are male; nationally females have comprised 65% of the total students for more than a decade.

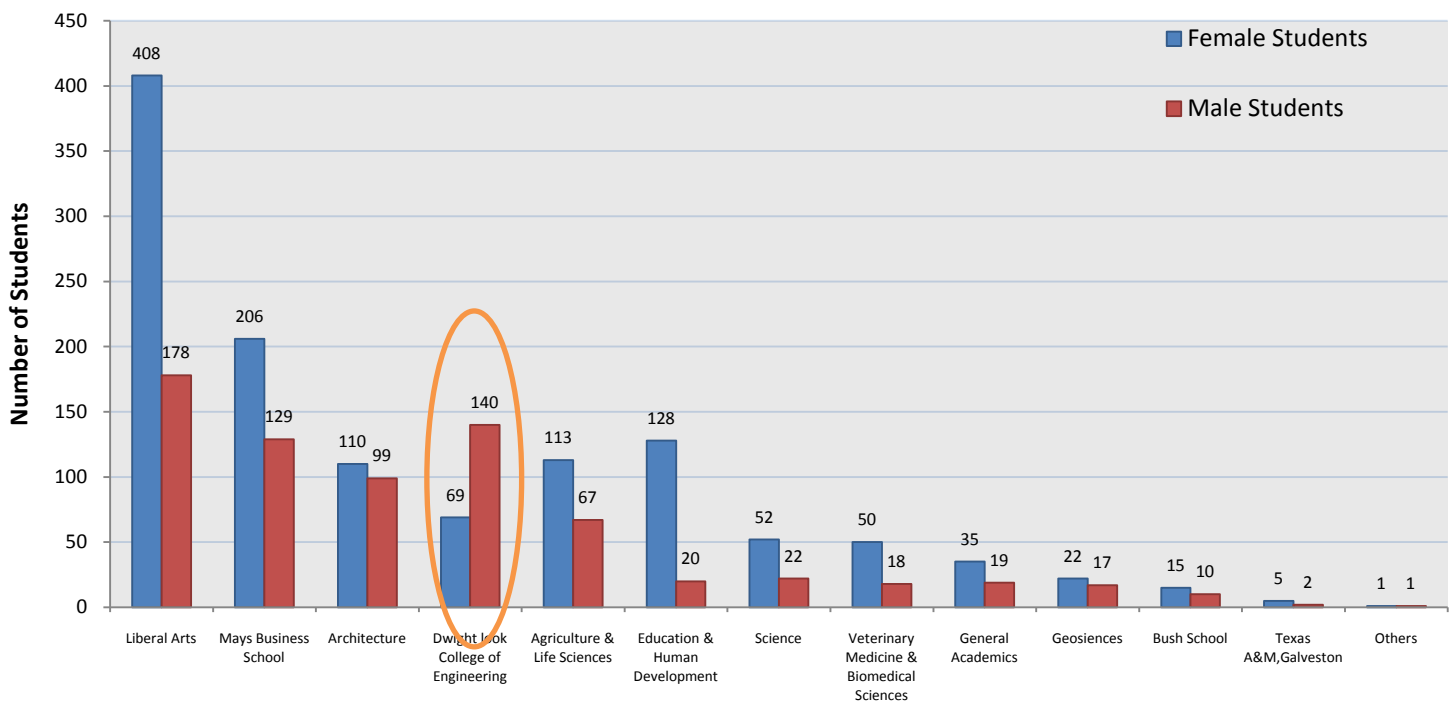


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Number of Students Travelling Abroad			
Gender	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009
Female	1057	1124	1214
Male	556	660	722
Total	1613	1784	1936

Examining the gender participation, the only college with a majority of male students going abroad is the Dwight Look College of Engineering. However, this college has more male student enrollment compared to the female and this might be a reason for more male students travelling abroad in comparison to their female counterparts.

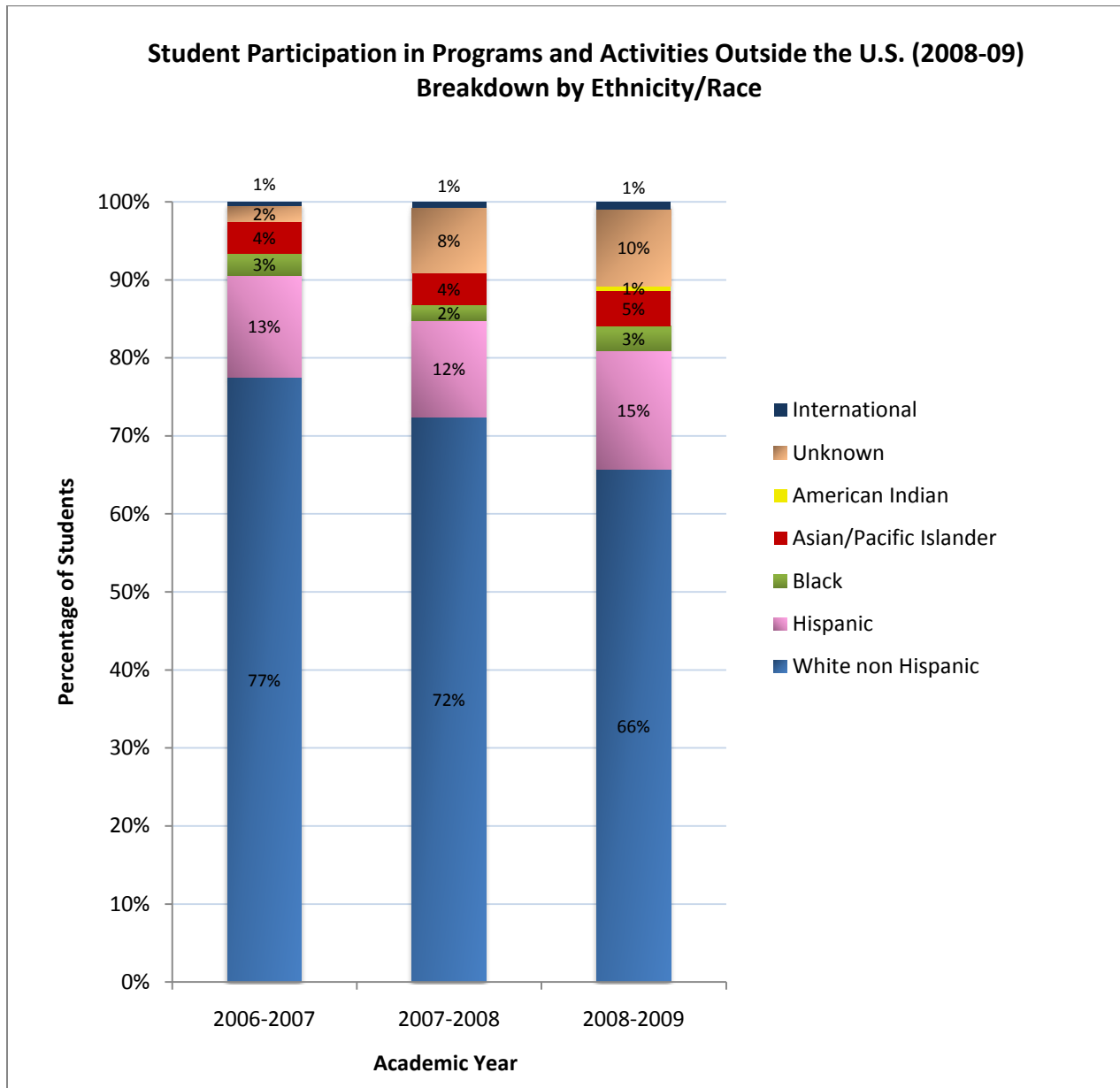
**Student Participation in Programs and Activities Outside the U.S. (2008-09)
Breakdown by Gender**



Source: Study Abroad Programs Office, Texas A&M Univ.

ETHNICITY DISTRIBUTION

Overall, more than 65% of the Texas A&M students who have travelled abroad were White Non-Hispanic. Following this group were Hispanic students. The number of Hispanic students who travelled abroad increased slightly, from 13% to 15%, from 2006 to 2009. The percentage of the Black, Asian/Pacific Islander students and international students, remained almost the same across the three academic years.

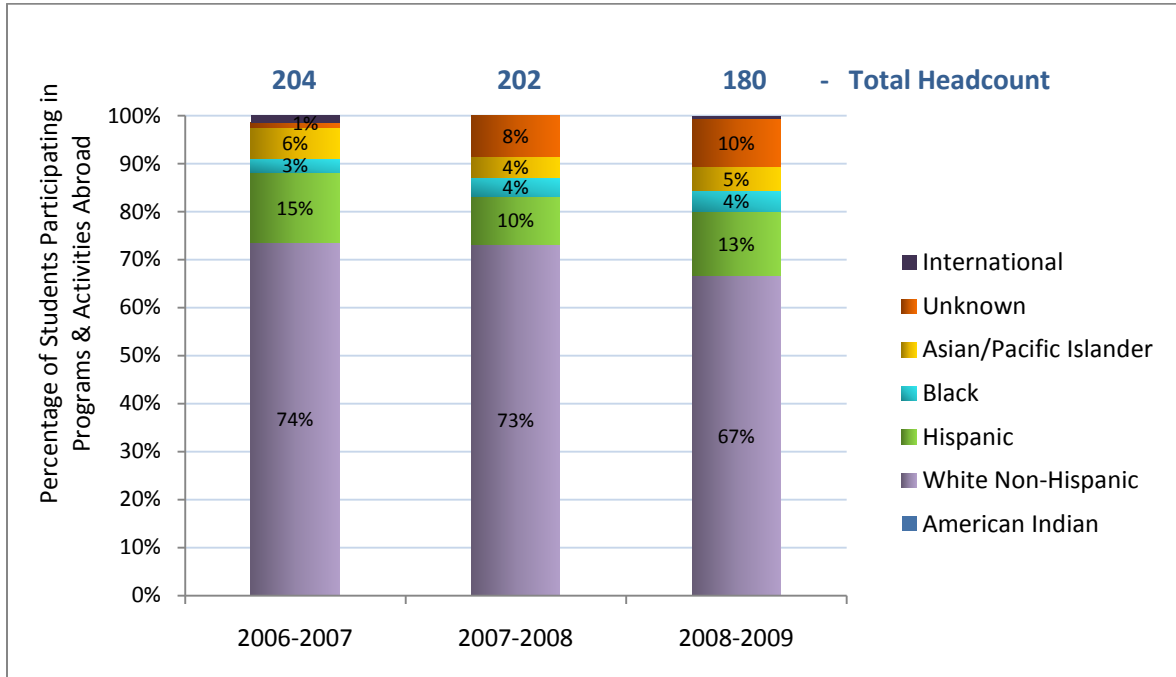


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COLLEGE ETHNICITY DISTRIBUTION

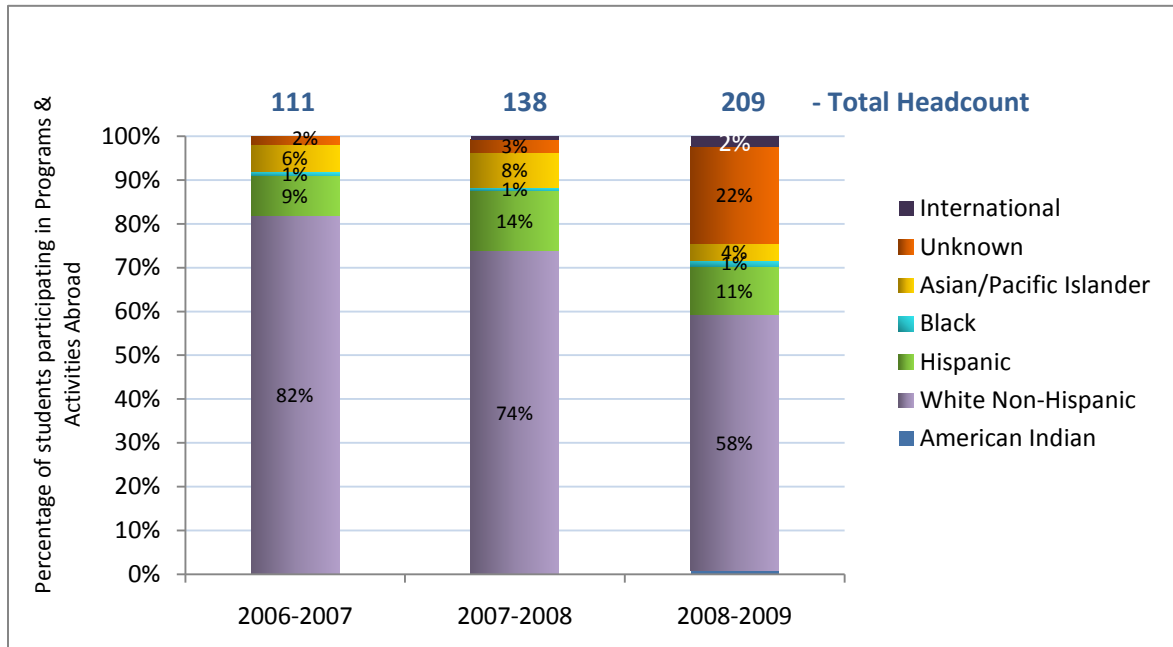
The ethnicity distribution by college shows that, in general, most students are White - Non-Hispanic, regardless of major. However, several colleges are engaging students from other ethnic backgrounds with varying degrees of success.

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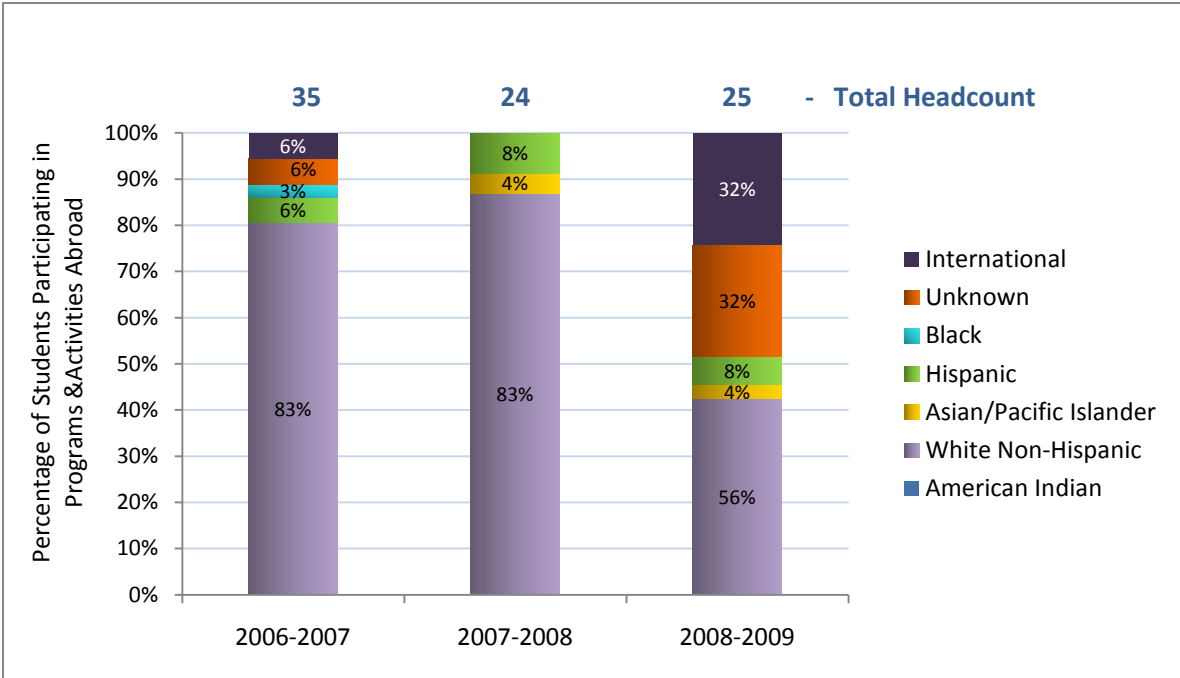


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2. COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE

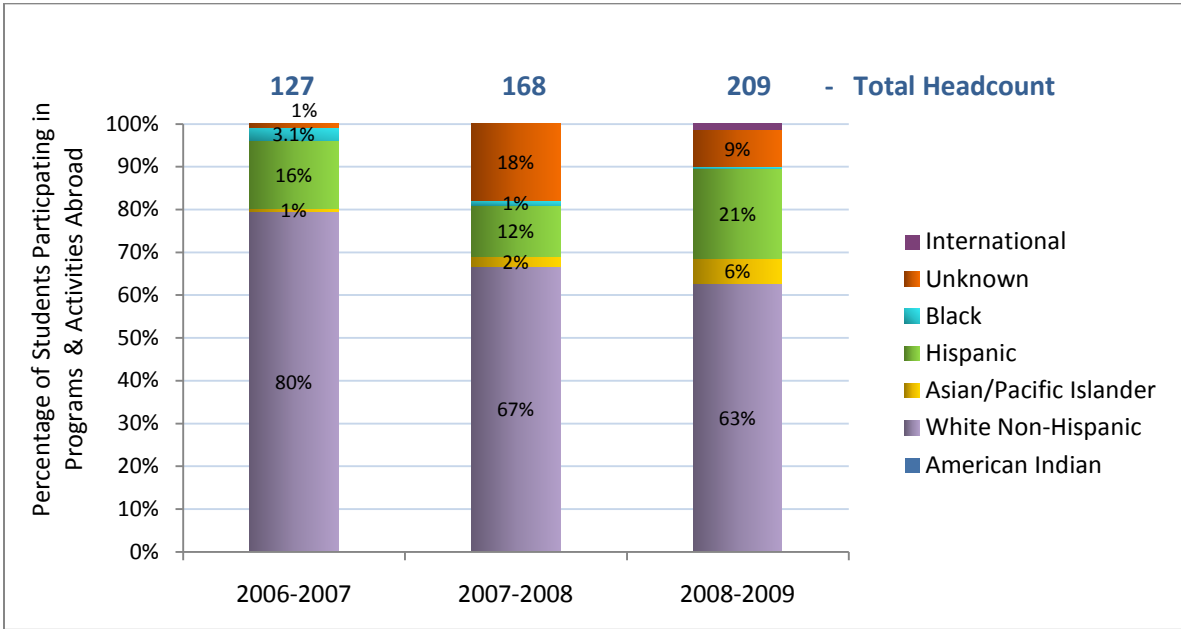


3. BUSH SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICE



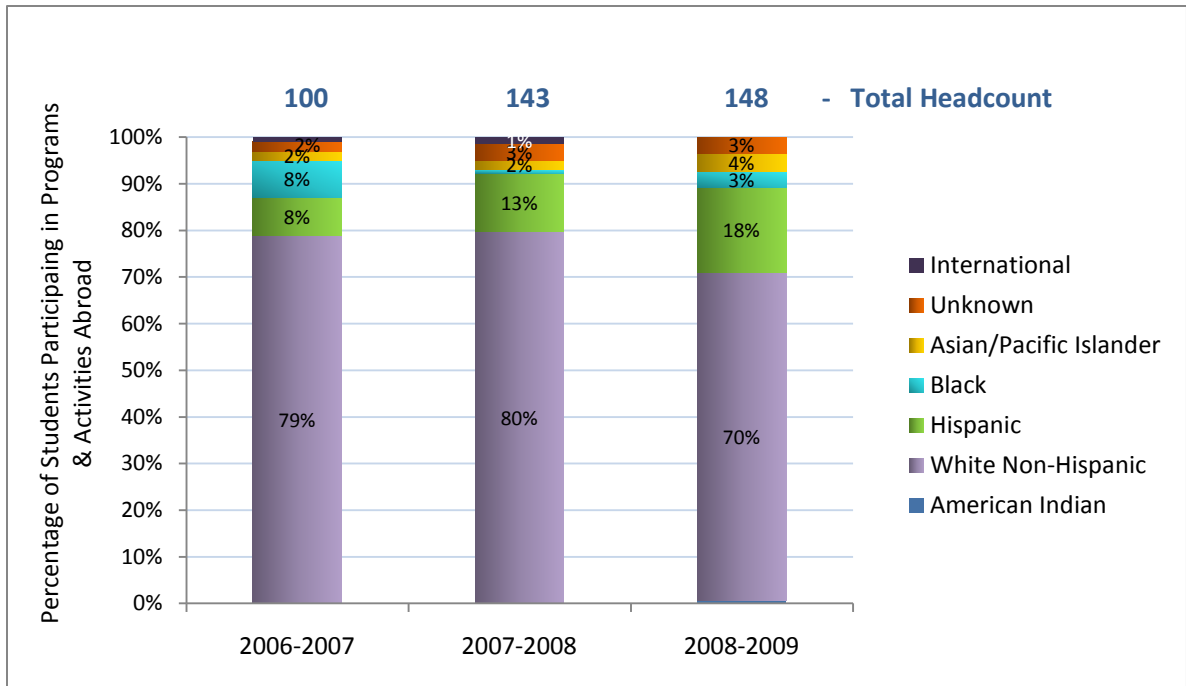
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4. DWIGHT LOOK COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING



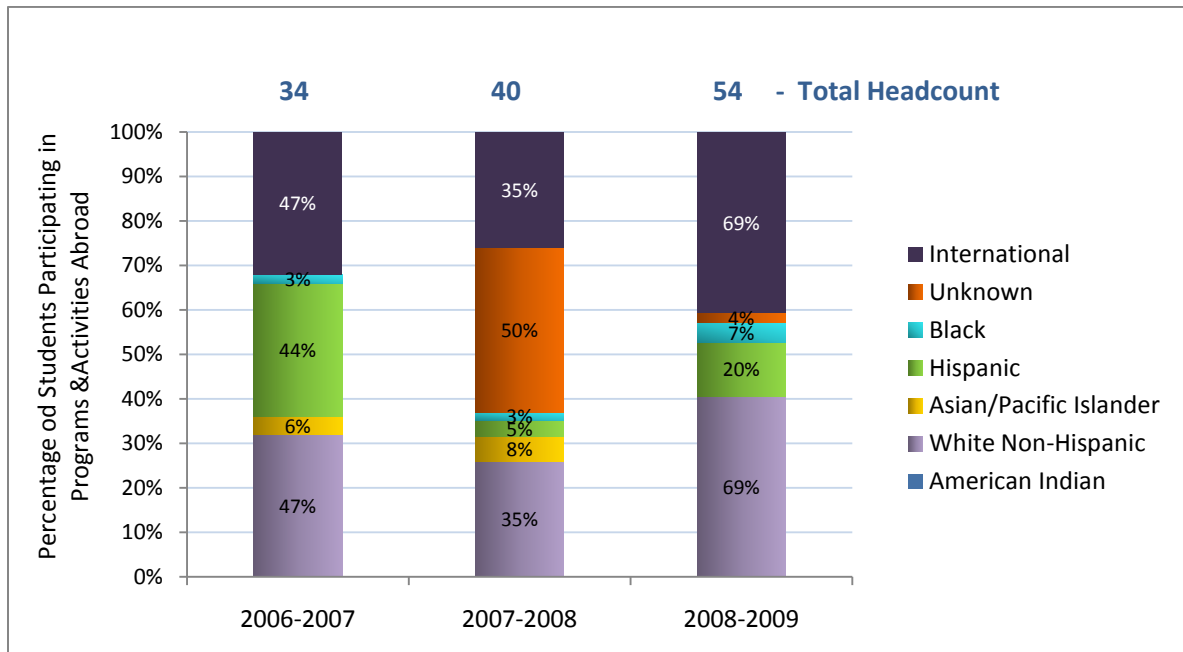
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5. COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT



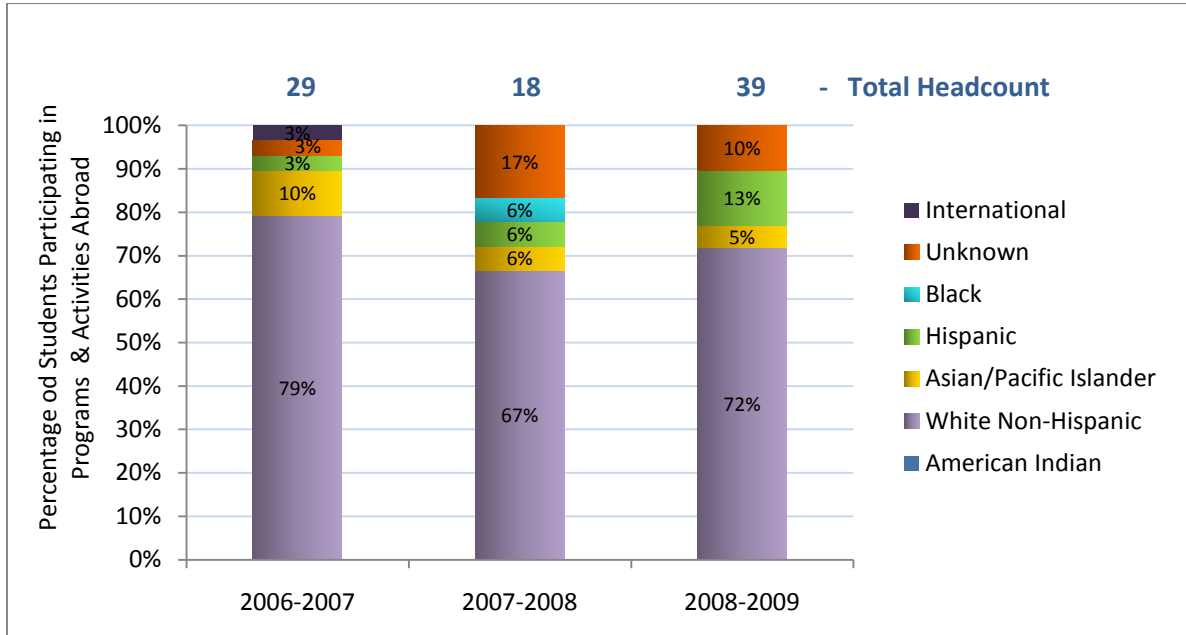
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6. GENERAL ACADEMICS



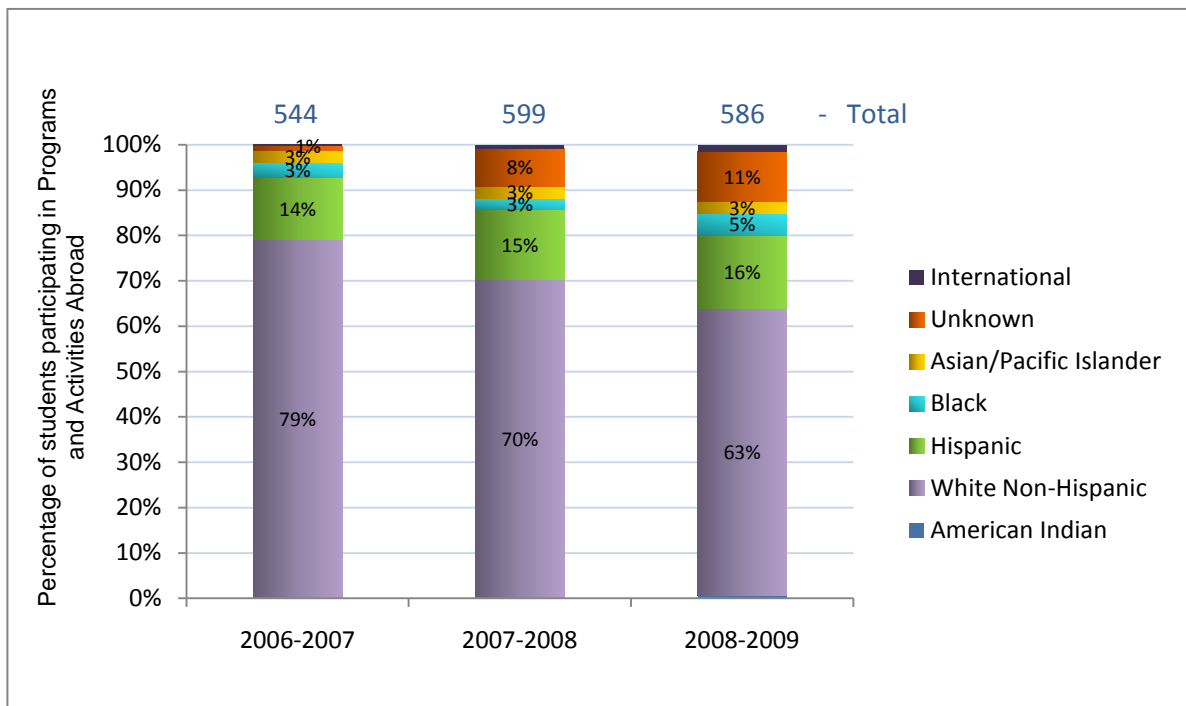
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7. COLLEGE OF GEOSCIENCES



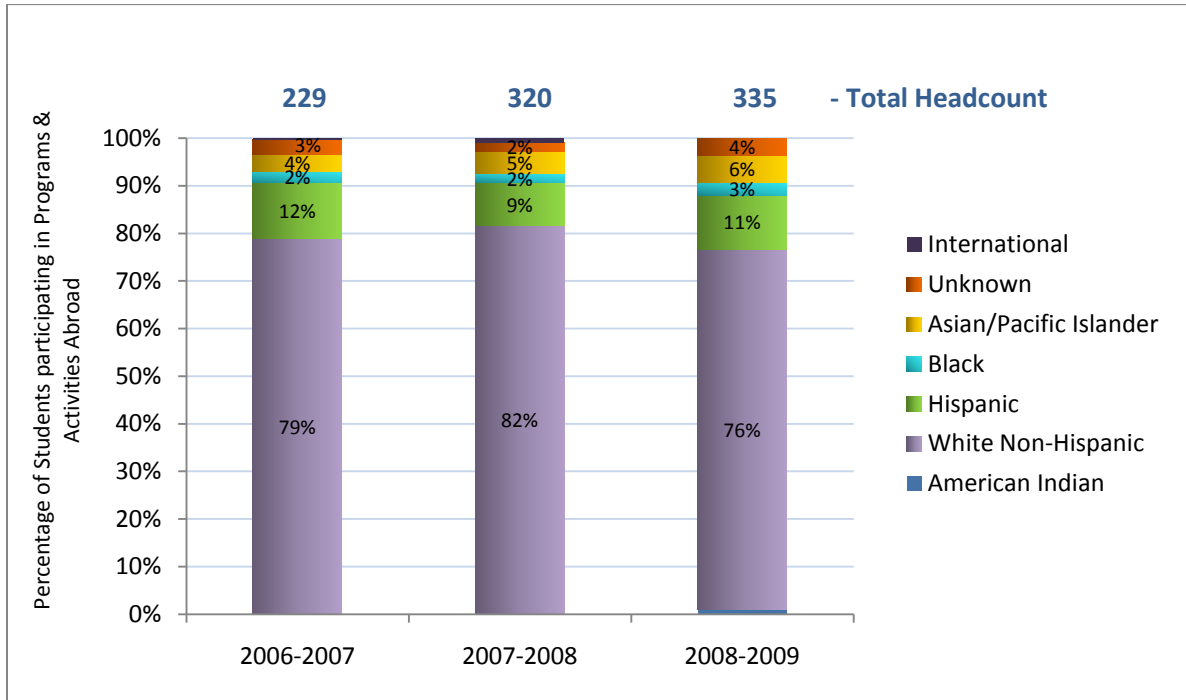
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8. LIBERAL ARTS



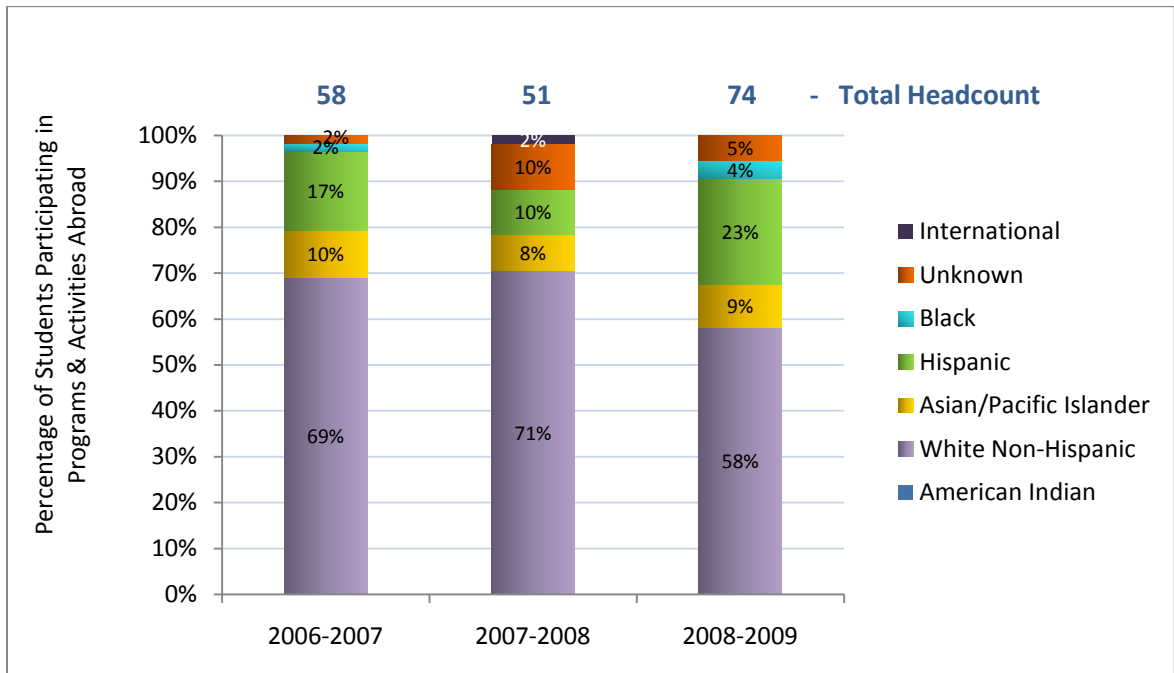
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9. MAYS BUSINESS SCHOOL



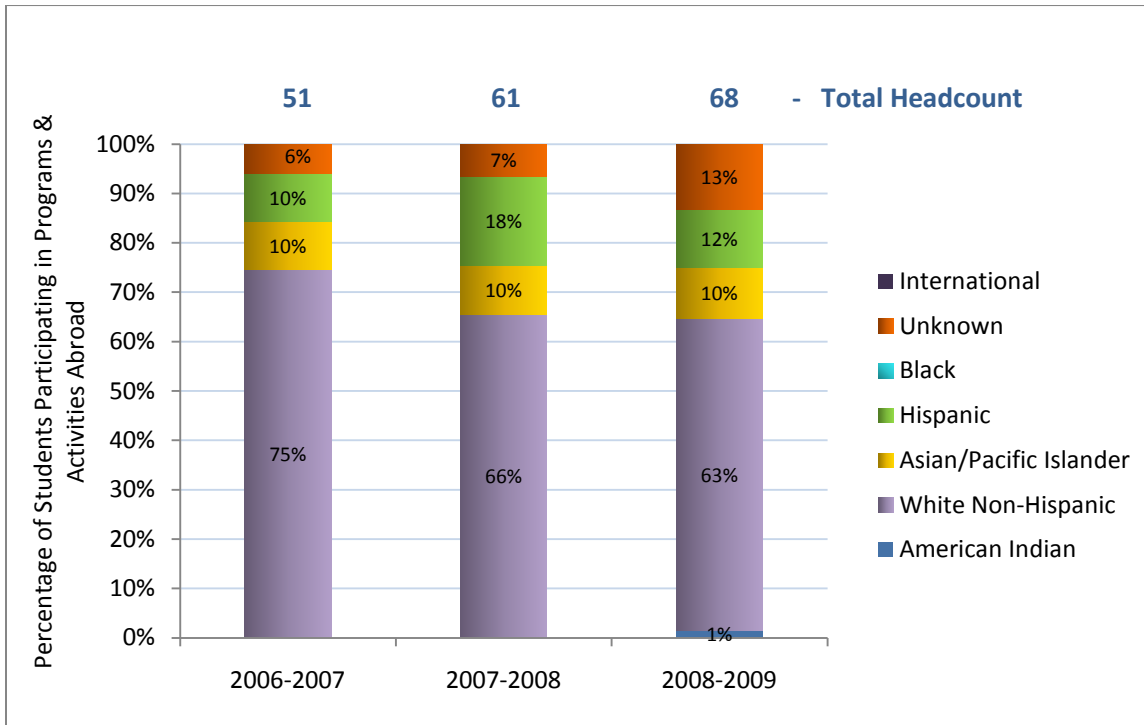
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10. COLLEGE OF SCIENCE



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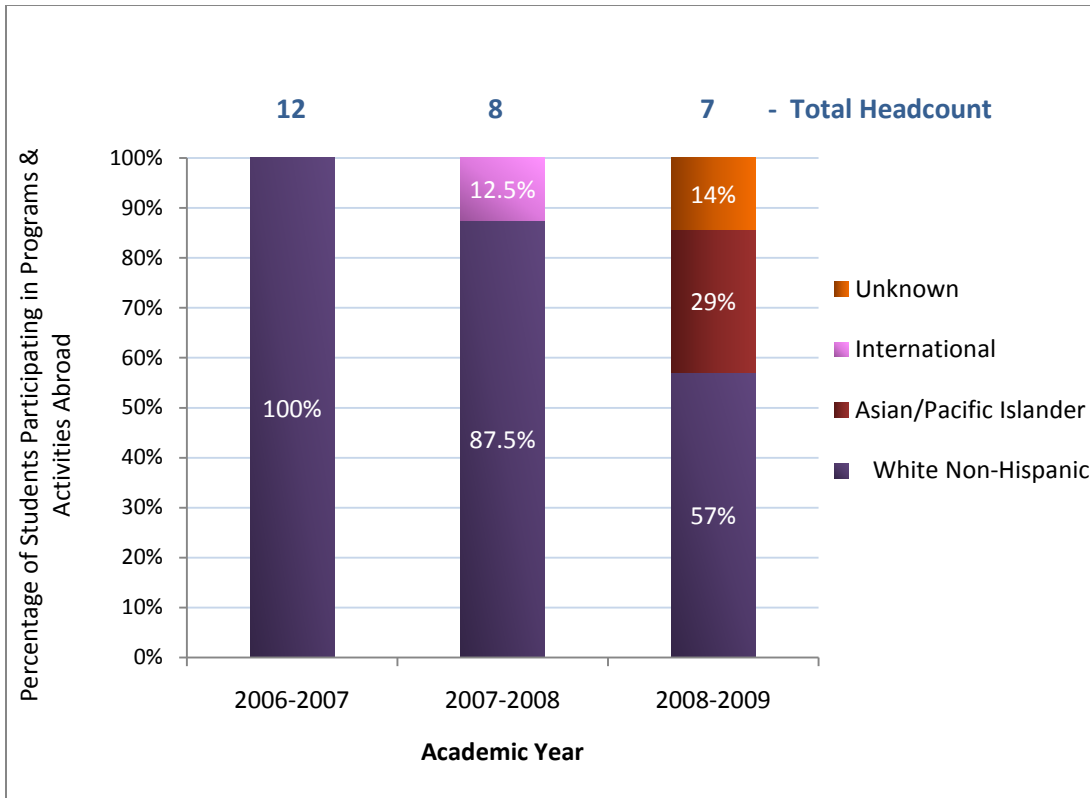
11. COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES



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TEXAS A&M - GALVESTON

In 2006-2007, Texas A&M at Galveston had only White Non-Hispanic students who participated in programs and activities abroad. In 2007-2008, there were international students comprising 12.5% who travelled abroad while the remaining 87.5% were White Non-Hispanic students. In 2008-2009, Asian/Pacific Islander students participated in programs abroad were 29% of the total students. The White non-Hispanic students were 57% while the other 14% did not wish to disclose their ethnicity.



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