

# INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS



TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

## STATISTICAL REPORT FALL 2006

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SERVICES  
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## Executive Summary

The global economy of the 21<sup>st</sup> century requires university graduates to function effectively in an international environment. Recognizing this need, Texas A&M University provides many opportunities for students to gain international education experiences on and off campus and for faculty, who inspire these students, to research and teach abroad. Texas A&M is also committed to providing a welcoming environment for all the international guests and their families.

Texas A&M University's long history of international involvement has created a solid foundation for future plans to make Texas A&M one of the top ten public universities in the country, as outlined in the long-range planning document, *Vision 2020*. Texas A&M is committed to achieving Imperative 6: "Globalize and Diversify the Campus."

It is important to note that national and regional comparison of data are based on data reported in *Open Doors 2006*, published by the Institute for International Education. This publication shows that in 2004-2005 (the most recent national data available), Texas A&M University ranked thirty-first in the U.S. among research institutions in the number of students earning credit when compared to data from the academic year 2003-2004. For Fall 2005, the most recent national data reported by IIE, Texas A&M University ranked thirteenth in the U.S. for the total number of enrolled international students.

The International Programs Office is the centralized unit responsible for coordinating and promoting Texas A&M's numerous international activities. Its goal is to infuse an international dimension into the teaching, research and public service programs of the University. This is accomplished both through academic and professional training and by creating a global awareness through on and off-campus programs. In addition, each College at Texas A&M University has international programs and activities available to students, faculty and staff. International Programs for Students is comprised of four academic support offices that facilitate international education: International Student Services, Sponsored Student Programs, Study Abroad Programs and The Santa Chiara Study Center in Italy. This report includes statistical information about all of these. The office mission is to facilitate the adjustment of and provide support services to international students

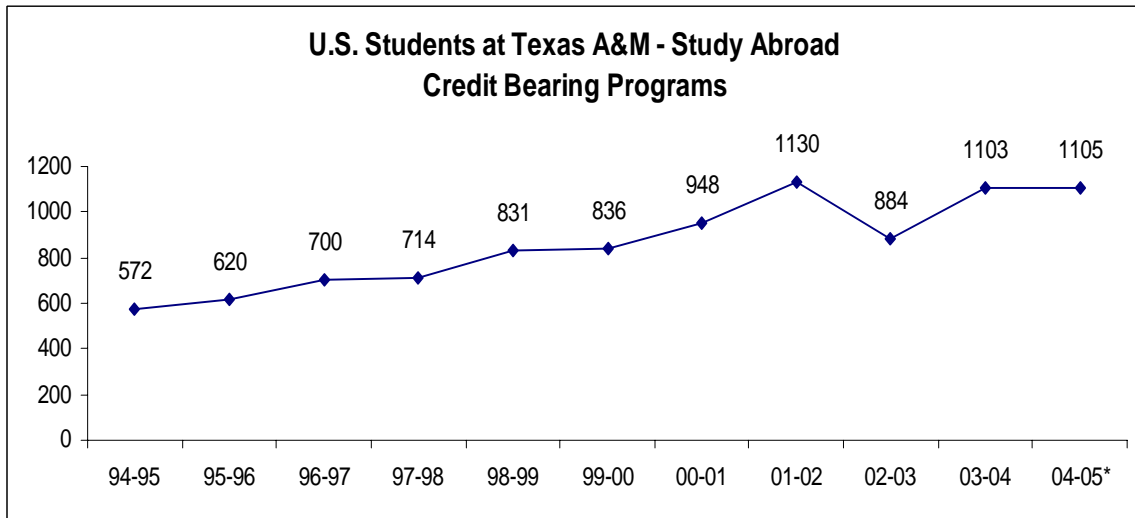
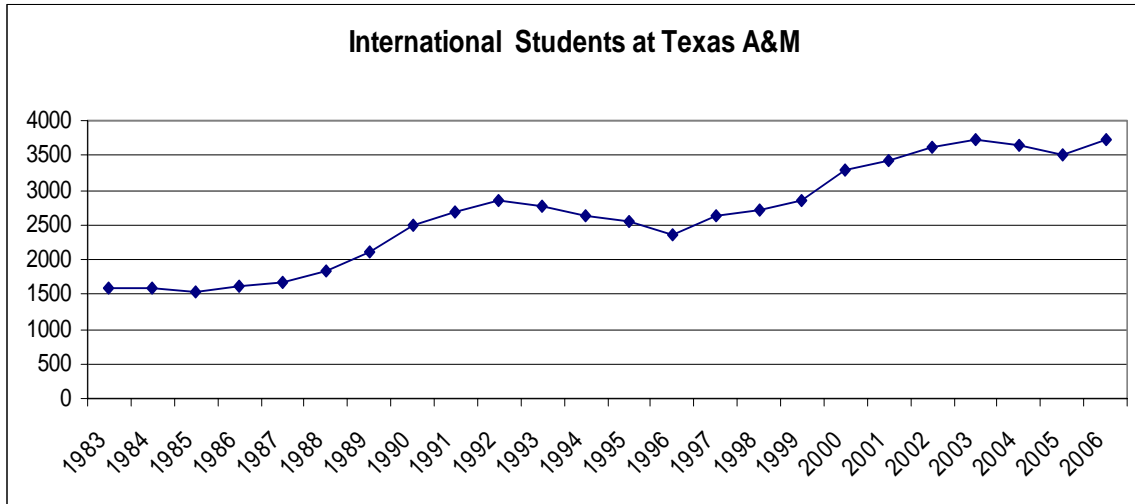
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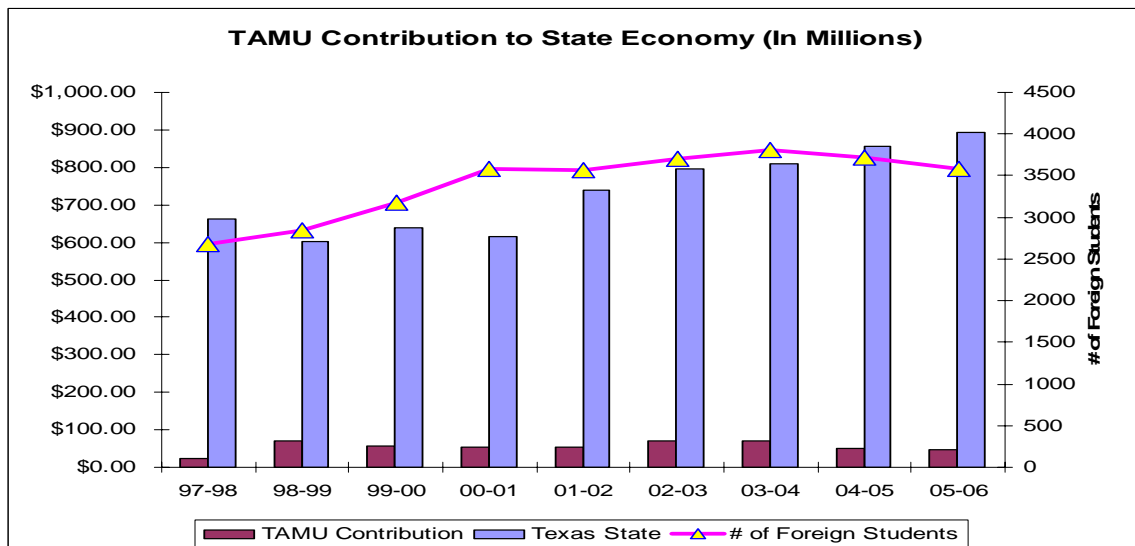
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## Quick Reference



Source: International Institute for Education, Open Doors 2006

2005-2006 Incomplete Data provided by Texas A&M University, International Student Services and Study Abroad Programs



Source: International Institute for Education, Open Doors 2006

**Rankings of Texas A&M University 2005 -2006**

	Texas A&M University International Students		Texas A&M University Study Abroad	
	Fall 2005	Fall 2004	2004-2005	2003-2004
U.S. Institutions	16 <sup>th</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup>	31 <sup>st</sup>	31 <sup>st</sup>
Texas Institutions	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Big 12 Universities	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Vision 2020 Universities	4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>

Source: International Institute for Education, Open Doors 2006

<b>Host Regions / Countries for Study Abroad - Texas A&amp;M 2004 - 2005</b>		
	<b>Student</b>	<b>Country</b>
Europe	980	18
Latin America	158	13
North America	150	2
Asia	118	7
Oceania	69	3
Africa	9	5
Middle East	8	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,487*</b>	<b>49</b>

2005-2006 data is provided by Texas A&M University, Study Abroad Programs



## International Student Services

International Programs at Texas A&M University



International Student Services is the primary information source for many programs and resources needed by international students. For example, the office provides advertising about federal regulations governing non-immigrant student visas as well as personal and setting in information, financial assistance and scholarship administration, orientation programs, student leadership opportunities, and local community.

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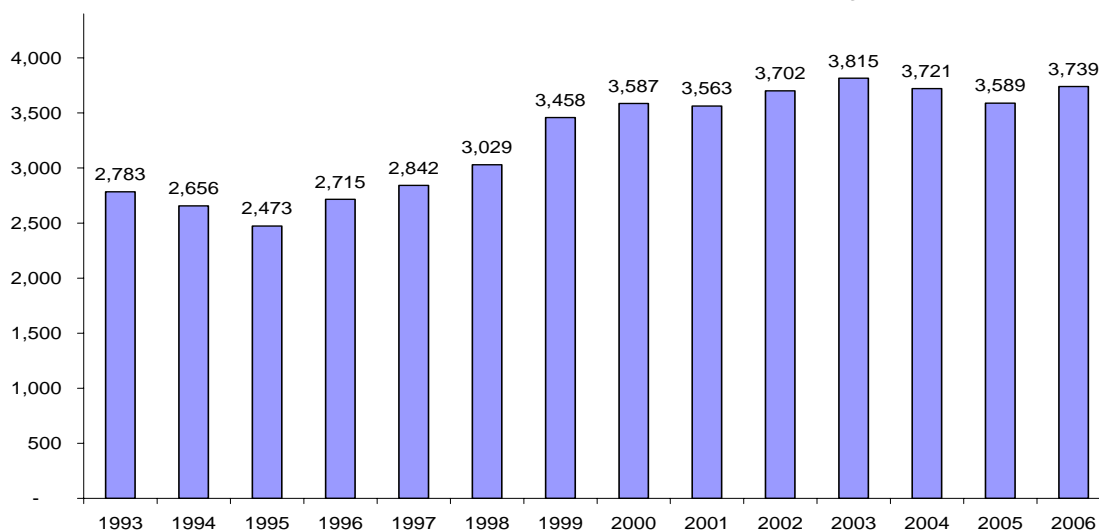
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## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ENROLLMENT TRENDS

In Fall 2006 the international student population at Texas A&M University increased by 4.1% from 3589 from Fall 2005 to 3739. Despite the decline in international students in Texas A&M for last two years, there has been a significant increase in Fall 2006 as compared to Fall 2005. In Fall 2005, the total international student at Texas A&M decreased by 3.75% from the previous year; whereas, the total number of international students in the US nearly remained same for the academic year 2004-2005 and 2005-2006. It is important to note that the data on this page comes from national data, Fall 2005. Data on subsequent pages differs slightly due to reliance on different definition used in the state of Texas for various reporting programs.

**Texas A&M University  
Overall International Student Enrollment - 14 year trend**



Source: Open Doors, Institute for International Education, Open Doors 2006

**Texas A&M University Enrollment of International Students  
as compared to National Enrollment Data**

Academic Year	All Schools	% Change	Texas A&M	
			University	% Change
1993	449,749	2.5	2,783	-2.76
1994	452,653	0.6	2,656	-4.56
1995	453,787	0.3	2,473	-6.89
1996	457,984	0.9	2,715	9.79
1997	481,280	5.1	2,842	4.68
1998	490,933	2	3,029	6.58
1999	514,723	4.8	3,458	14.16
2000	547,867	6.4	3,587	3.73
2001	582,996	6.4	3,563	-0.67
2002	586,323	0.6	3,702	3.90
2003	572,509	-2.4	3,815	3.05
2004	565,039	-1.3	3,721	-2.46
2005	564,766	-0.05	3,589	-3.55
2006	*	*	3,739	4.17

Source: Institute for International Education, Open Doors 2006

• \*Not available yet

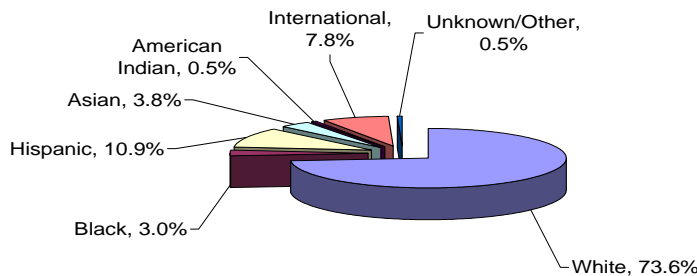
**Leading Institution by Total Number of International Students  
TOP 20 Research Institutions Fall 2005\***

<i>Institution</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Total Int'l Students</i>	<i>Total Enrollment</i>
1 University of Southern California	Los Angeles	CA	6,881	32,836
2 Columbia University	New York	NY	5,575	24,373
3 Purdue University, Main Campus	West Lafayette	IN	5,540	38,712
4 New York University	New York	NY	5,502	53,215
5 University of Texas at Austin	Austin	TX	5,395	49,696
6 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Champaign	IL	4,904	41,323
7 University of Michigan - Ann Arbor	Ann Arbor	MI	4,649	39,533
8 Boston University	Boston	MA	4,542	30,957
9 The Ohio State University, Main Campus	Columbus	OH	4,476	50,504
10 SUNY, University at Buffalo	Buffalo	NY	4,072	27,220
11 University of California, Los Angeles	Los Angeles	CA	3,979	37,221
12 University of Florida	Gainesville	FL	3,749	49,650
13 Cornell University	Ithaca	NY	3,697	19,447
14 University of Pennsylvania	Philadelphia	PA	3,689	23,305
15 Harvard University	Cambridge	MA	3,669	19,779
<b>16 Texas A&amp;M University</b>	<b>College Station</b>	<b>TX</b>	<b>3,589</b>	<b>44,578</b>
17 Indiana University at Bloomington	Bloomington	IN	3,540	37,958
18 University of Maryland at College Park	College Park	MD	3,476	35,376
19 University of Houston	Houston	TX	3,413	35,096
20 University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	Minneapolis	MN	3,384	51,175

Source: International Institute for Education, Open Doors 2006

Note that national data for international students is one year behind university data

**Texas A&M Distribution of Students by Ethnic Group  
Fall 2006**



The total international students for Fall 2006 represents 7.8% of the overall enrollment at Texas A&M University.

Source: OISP Fall 2006

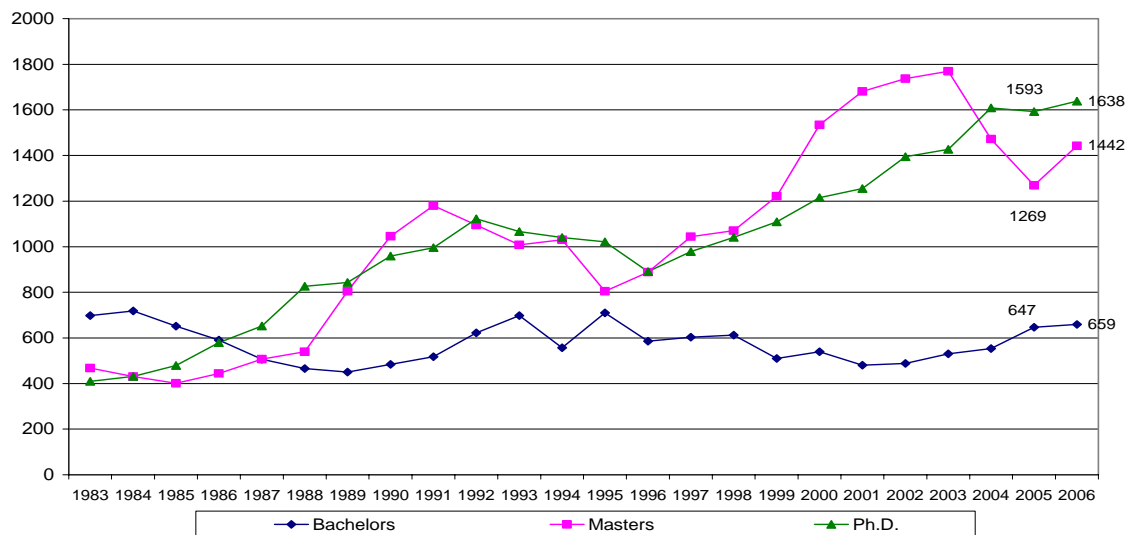
A total of 45,380 Students were enrolled for Fall 2005



## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS DISTRIBUTION OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS BY DEGREE LEVEL

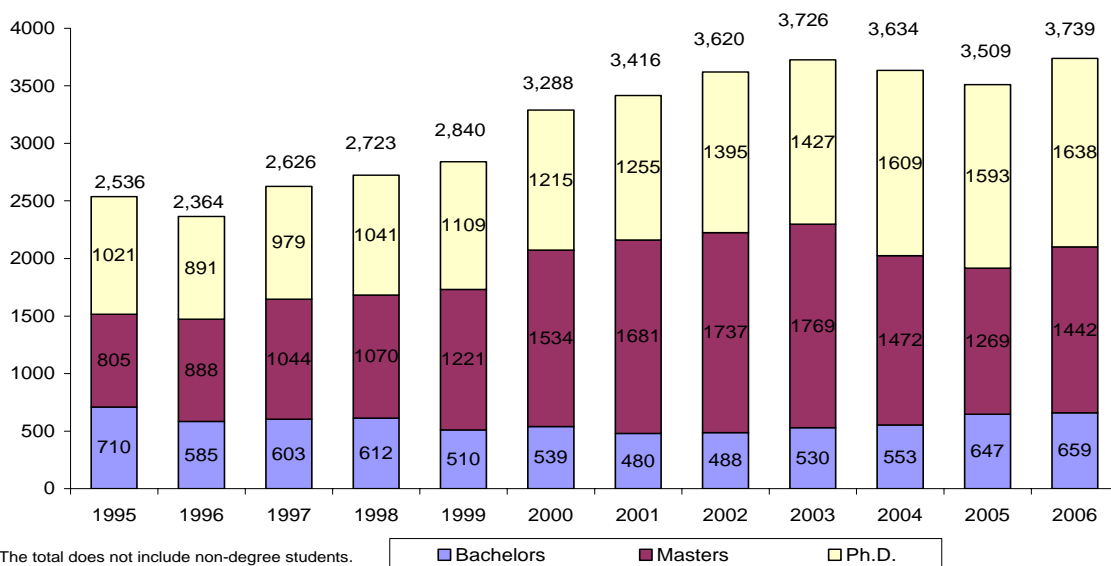
Over the last twenty one years, the distribution of international students has changed dramatically. Undergraduates are no longer the largest group of international students and currently their total is less than 17.6% of the 3,739 enrolled for Fall 2006. For the third year in a row, the total number of international students seeking a Ph.D. is higher than those pursuing a Masters. Data found on these pages comes from actual headcount data and relies on the federal definition of an international student rather than state definitions, which differ slightly.

**Texas A&M University Distribution of International Students  
by Degree Level since 1983 - Fall Semesters**



\* The total does not include the non-degree students.

**Texas A&M University Distribution of Overall International  
Students by Degree Level Since 1995 - Fall Semesters**



The total does not include non-degree students.

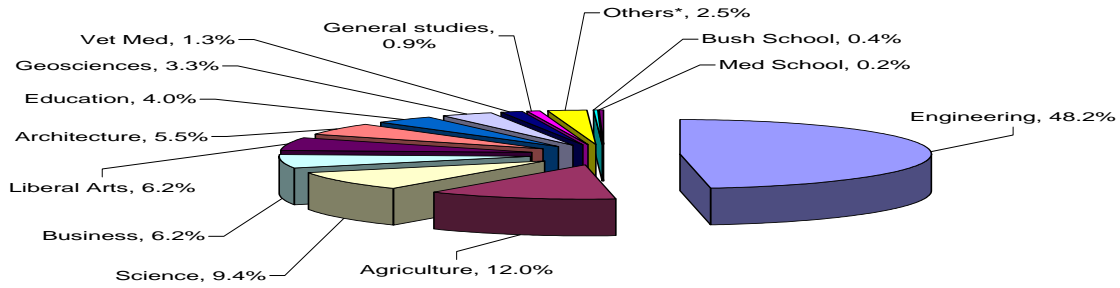
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### DISTRIBUTION OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS BY COLLEGE

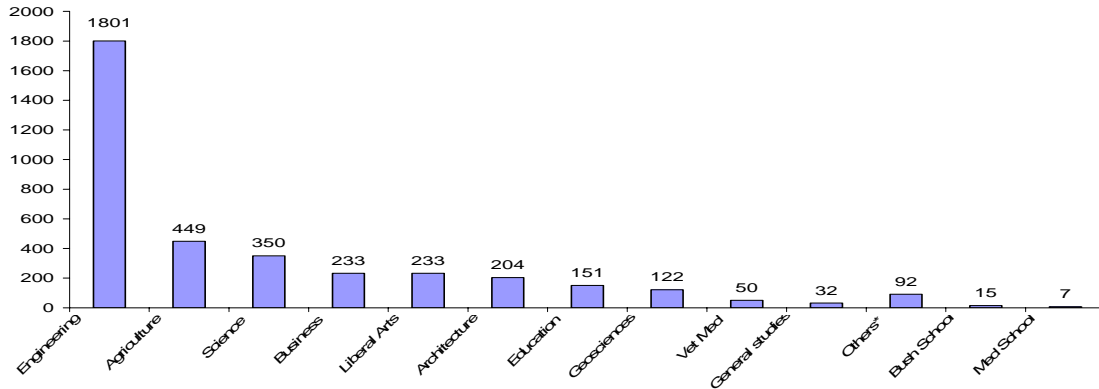
Source: Texas A&M Office of Institutional Studies and Planning (OISP)

In the 1960s the largest number of international students was in the College of Agriculture. That trend has changed drastically. In Fall 2006 only 12.0% were enrolled in the College of Agriculture while 48.2% were enrolled in engineering programs. Almost all other colleges saw a marginal decline in international enrollment in comparison with Fall 2005.

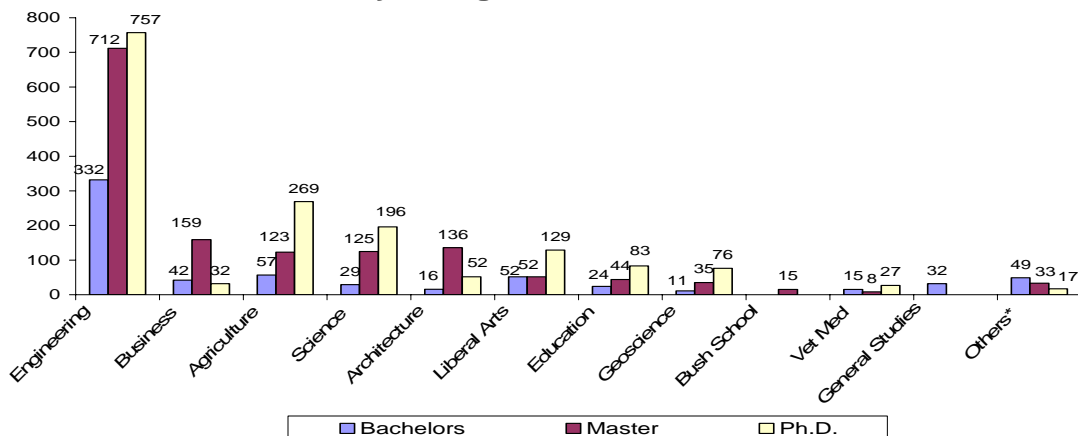
**Texas A&M University International Student Percentage Distribution by College - Fall 2006**



**Texas A&M International Student Distribution by Colleges Fall 2006**



**Texas A&M University International Student Distribution by College and Classification - Fall 2006**



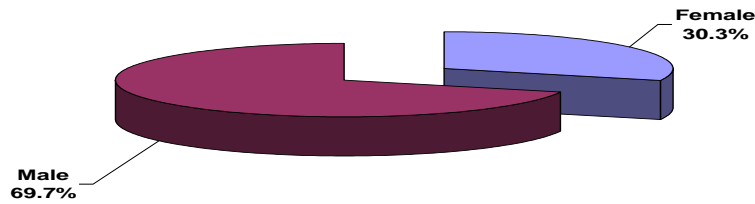
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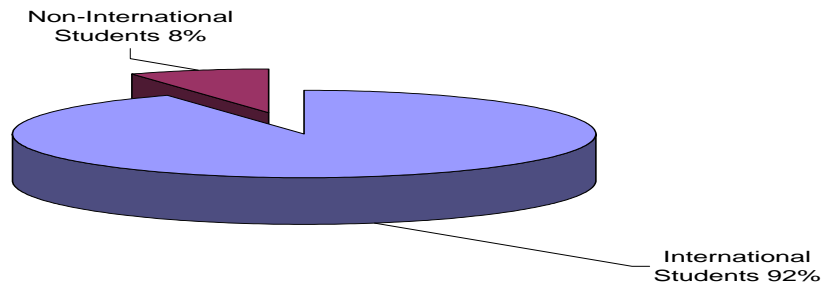
Source: Texas A&M Office of Institutional Studies and Planning (OISP)

The majority of Texas A&M students have always been male, although the percentage of females has increased slowly over the years. While the majority of the students pursue their educational goals as F-1 visa holders, there are other visa holders enrolled. In fact there are some full time employees, H-1s who enroll in some courses. Statistics reveals that 92% of the students who live at the University Apartments are international students.

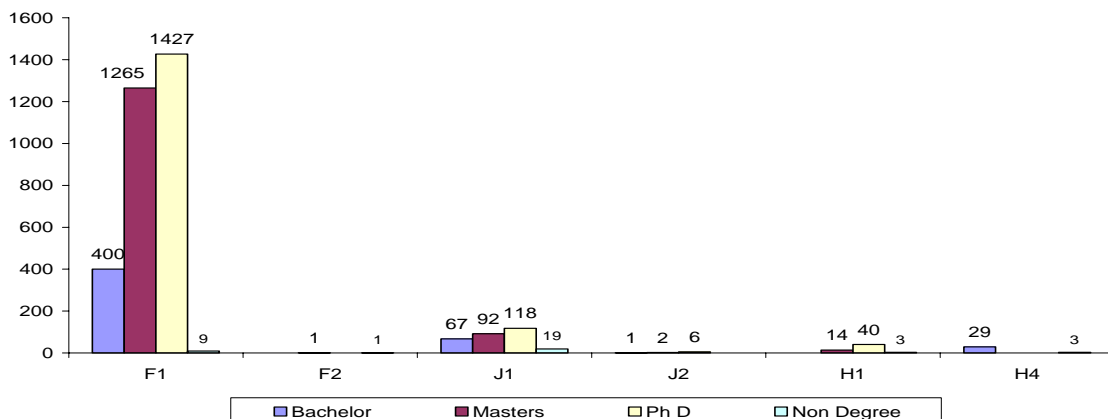
**Texas A&M University  
Distribution of all International Students by Gender - Fall 2006**



**Texas A&M University  
International Students Living on Campus Fall 06**



**Texas A&M University  
Distribution of Students with F, J and H Visas - Fall 2006**



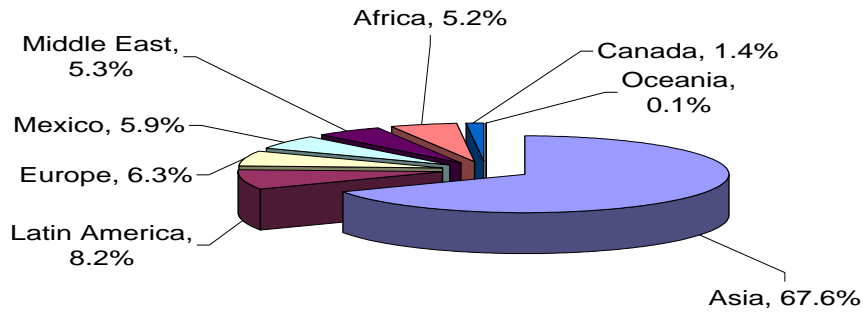
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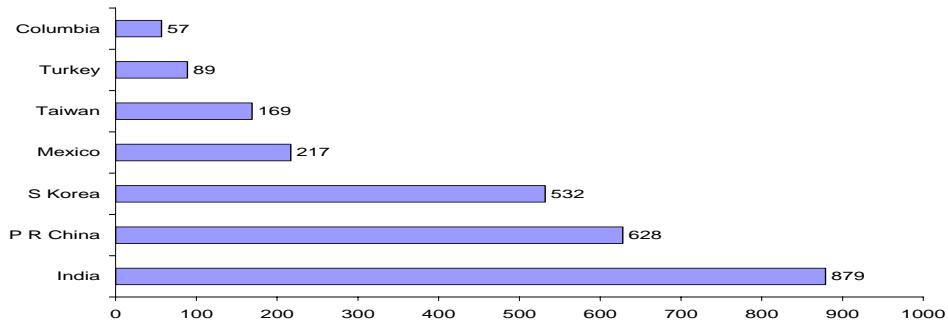
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Geographically, Texas A&M University's international student population mirrors national demographics, with the largest number of students coming from Asia. Although, in Fall 2006, 128 countries are represented, the top three countries, India, P.R. China and South Korea have been among the top five countries represented by international students at Texas A&M for nearly a decade. The vast majority of students from the Middle East and Turkey are sponsored international students. It may be noted that in Fall 2006, there are students from Cuba.

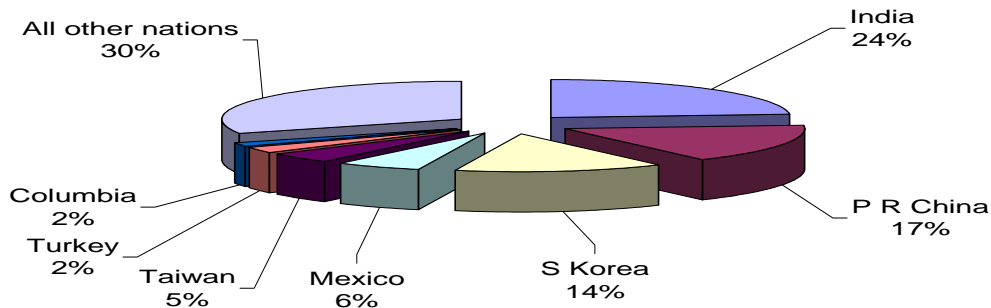
**Texas A&M University Geographic Distribution of all International Students - Fall 2006**



**Texas A&M University - Top 7 Countries Represented by International Students - Fall 2006**

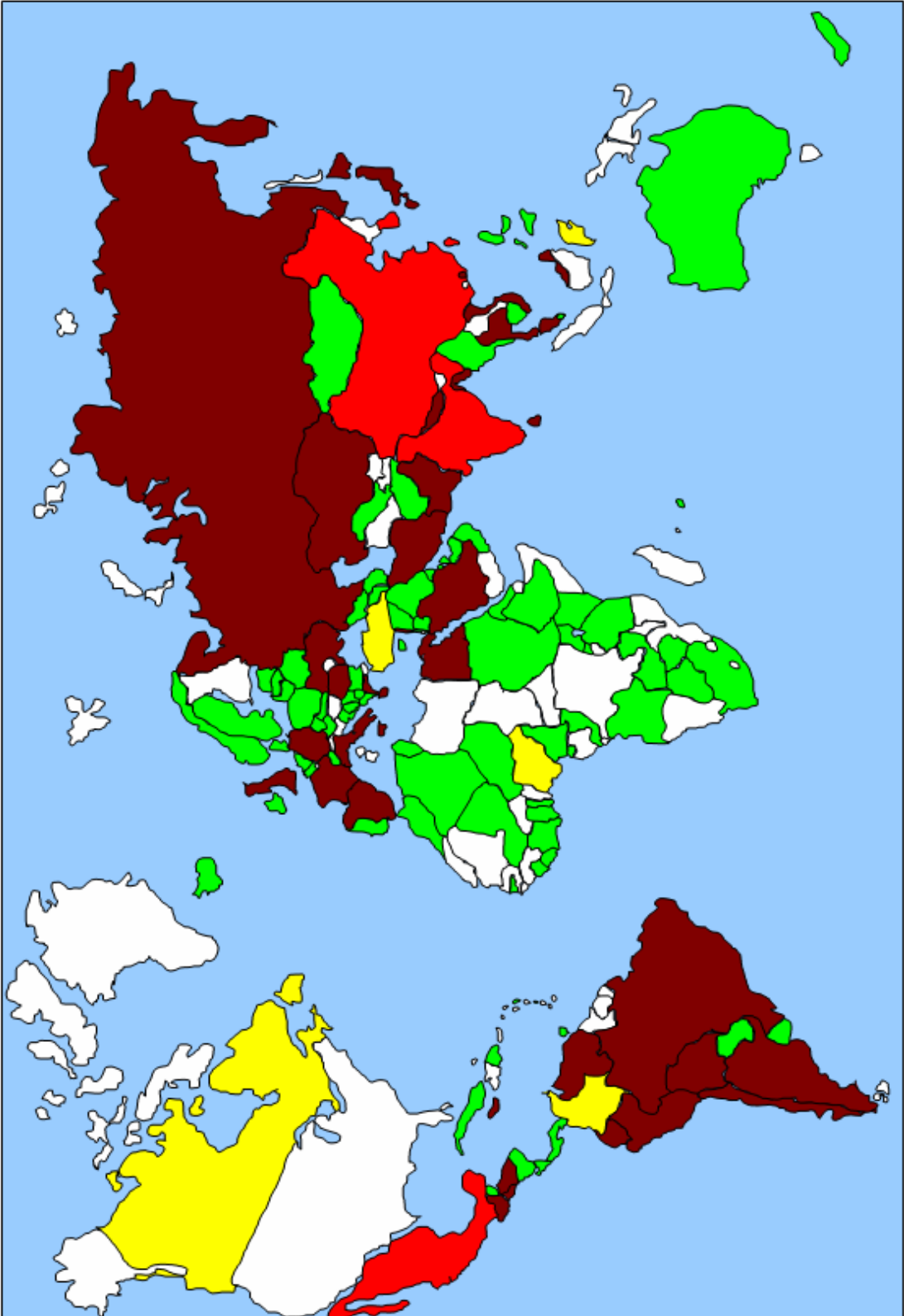


**Texas A&M University International Student Percentage Distribution by Country - Fall 2006**



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS  
WORLD MAP DEPICTING TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROFILE

Texas A&M University International Student Profile – Fall 2006



**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT (NON-IMMIGRANT) HEAD COUNT  
Fall Semester- September 22, 2006**

**This chart does not reflect official 20th Day Census Data  
Official University Census is available at TAMU office of Institutional Studies and Planning 845-7838**

AFGHANISTAN	1		JORDAN	9	(2)
ALBANIA	1		KAZAKHSTAN	42	(40)
ALGERIA	1	(1)	KENYA	4	
ANGOLA	2		KOREA, REPUBLIC	532	(36)
ANTIGUA & ARBUDA	1		KUWAIT	3	(3)
ARGENTINA	15	(3)	LATVIA	2	
ARMENIA	4		LEBANON	11	
AUSTRALIA	3		LIBERIA	1	
AUSTRIA	4		LITHUANIA	1	
AZERBAIJAN	6	(4)	MACEDONIA	3	
BAHRAIN	2	(2)	MALAYSIA	22	(1)
BANGLADESH	24	(1)	MALI	3	(2)
BARBADOS	2		MAURITIUS	4	(1)
BELARUS	5		MEXICO	217	(41)
BELGIUM	1		MONGOLIA	2	
BELIZE	2		MOROCCO	6	
BOLIVIA	13		NEPAL	10	(1)
BOSNIA & HEZEGOVINA	1		NETHERLANDS	3	
BOTSWANA	2	(2)	NEW ZEALAND	1	
BRAZIL	33	(8)	NICARAGUA	5	
BULGARIA	6		NIGER	1	(1)
BURMA	1		NIGERIA	59	(5)
CAMBODIA	1	(1)	NORWAY	7	(4)
CAMEROON	8	(2)	OMAN	3	(3)
CANADA	51		PAKISTAN	36	(6)
CHILE	12	(2)	PANAMA	9	(4)
CHINA	628	(2)	PARAGUAY	3	(1)
COLOMBIA	57	(5)	PERU	28	(1)
CONGO	1		PHILIPPINES	9	
COSTA RICA	9		POLAND	5	
COTE D'IVOIRE	3		PORTUGAL	4	
CROATIA	1		QATAR	3	(3)
CUBA	1		ROMANIA	10	
CYPRUS	1		RUSSIA	27	(2)
CZECH REPUBLIC	2		RWANDA	3	(2)
DENMARK	8		SAUDI ARABIA	31	(30)
DOMINICA	1		SERBIA & MONTENEGRO	9	
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	4		SIERRA LEONE	1	
ECUADOR	23	(6)	SINGAPORE	7	(1)
EGYPT	20	(1)	SLOVAKIA	2	
EL SALVADOR	10	(1)	SOUTH AFRICA	7	(2)
EQUATORIAL GUINEA	4	(4)	SPAIN	13	
ERITREA	1		SRI LANKA	17	(2)
ESTONIA	3		SUDAN	1	
ETHIOPIA	5		SWEDEN	4	
FRANCE	33	(10)	SWITZERLAND	3	
GAMBIA	1	(1)	SYRIA	2	(1)
GEORGIA (C.I.S.)	1	(1)	TAIWAN	169	(2)
GERMANY	19	(2)	TANZANIA, UNITED	3	
GHANA	6	(1)	THAILAND	33	(6)
GREECE	10		TOGO	1	(1)
GUATEMALA	16	(3)	TRINIDAD & TOBAGO	3	(1)
HONDURAS	11	(2)	TUNISIA	5	(1)
HONG KONG	14	(1)	TURKEY	89	(16)
ICELAND	1	(1)	UGANDA	2	(1)
INDIA	879	(10)	UKRAINE	11	(1)
INDONESIA	59	(11)	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	6	(6)
IRAN	32	(5)	UNITED KINGDOM	21	(1)
IRAQ	4	(3)	URUGUAY	8	
IRELAND	2		UZBEKISTAN	1	
ISRAEL	2	(1)	VENEZUELA	35	(1)
ITALY	12	(1)	VIETNAM	24	(6)
JAMAICA	10		ZAMBIA	3	(1)
JAPAN	40	(3)	ZIMBABWE	6	(2)

**Total International Students**

Fall 2006	3739
Spring 2006	3289
Fall 2005	3603

**Breakdown of Total**

**Undergraduates:**

Fall 2006	615
Spring 2006	570
Fall 2005	647

**Graduates:**

Fall 2006	3033
Spring 2006	2638
Fall 2005	2862

**Non-Degree**

Fall 2006	91
Spring 2006	81
Fall 2005	94

**Special Population Breakdown:**

**Galveston:**

Fall 2006	12
Spring 2006	11
Fall 2005	14

**Sponsored Students:**

Fall 2006	344
Spring 2006	280
Fall 2005	267

**Reciprocal Exchange:**

Fall 2006	61
Spring 2006	49
Fall 2005	59

**Country Breakdown:**

**Total No. of Countries:**

Fall 2006	128
Spring 2006	128
Fall 2005	133

**The Top 7 Countries are:**

	Fall 06	Spring 06
INDIA	879	685
CHINA	628	571
KOREA, REP.	532	495
MEXICO	217	181
TAIWAN	169	129
TURKEY	89	88
NIGERIA	59	59

**Countries Added Since Spring 2006:**

CUBA	CYPRUS
GAMBIA	LIBERIA

**Countries from which students are no longer enrolled since Spring 2006:**

BAHAMAS	MALAWI
SLOVENIA	ST. LUCIA

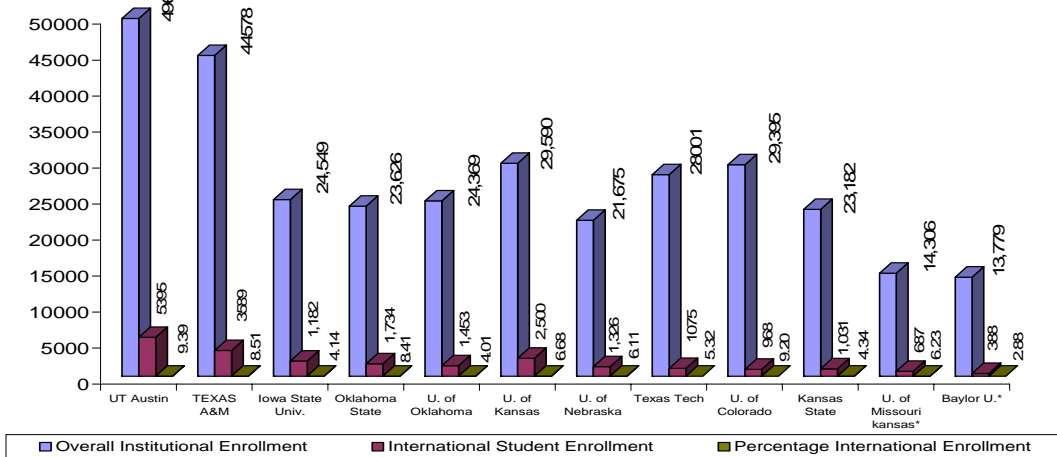
NOTES: Total number of students from each country are listed first. The number in parenthesis is the number of students from that country who are pursuing their studies under contractual arrangement with a financial sponsor. Differences in numbers reported in official class day reports and the ISS headcount are primarily due to differences in state and federal reporting of international students and the need to reflect current enrollment vs. static data reports to the state.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

### ENROLLMENT COMPARISONS WITH BIG 12, VISION 2020, AND TEXAS SCHOOLS

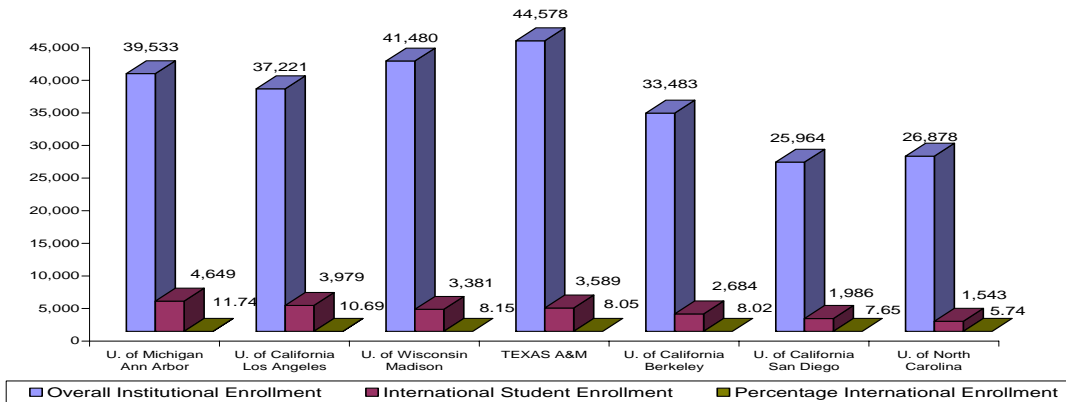
Source: Institute for International Education, Open Doors 2005

**Texas A&M University International Student Enrollment  
Big 12 Universities - Fall 2005 \***



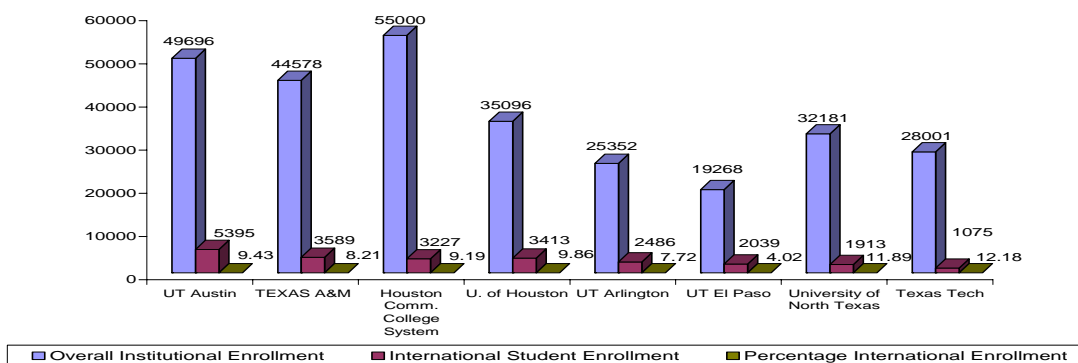
\* Source: Open Doors Fall 2006, national data for international student is one year behind university

**Texas A&M University International Student Enrollment  
Vision 2020 Schools - Fall 2005\***



\* Source: Open Doors Fall 2006, national data for international student is one year behind university data

**Texas A&M University International Student Enrollment  
Texas Schools - Fall 2006\***



\* Source: Open Doors Fall 2006, national data for international student is one year behind university data

# Study Abroad Programs Office

## International Programs Office at Texas A&M University



Study Abroad Programs helps facilitate academic programs, volunteer positions, conducting research, internships and exchange programs around the world particularly at the Santa Chiara Study Center in Italy. In addition, on campus international efforts include fostering certificate programs, engaging learning communities, and the Academy for Future International Leaders.

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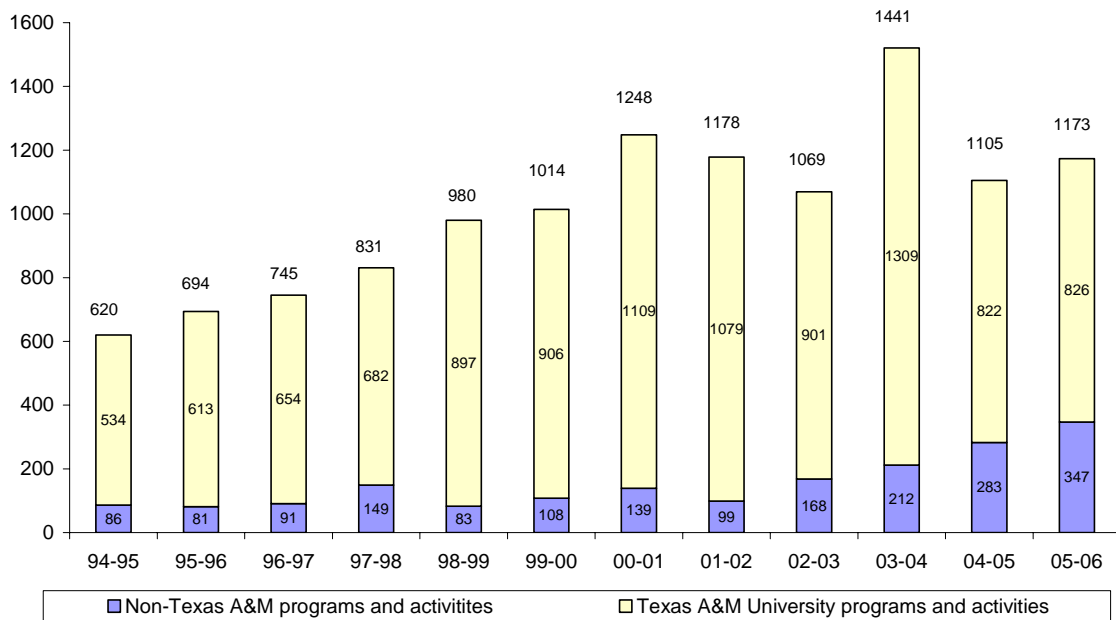


## STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS ENROLLMENT TRENDS

Source: Texas A&M Study Abroad Office Records

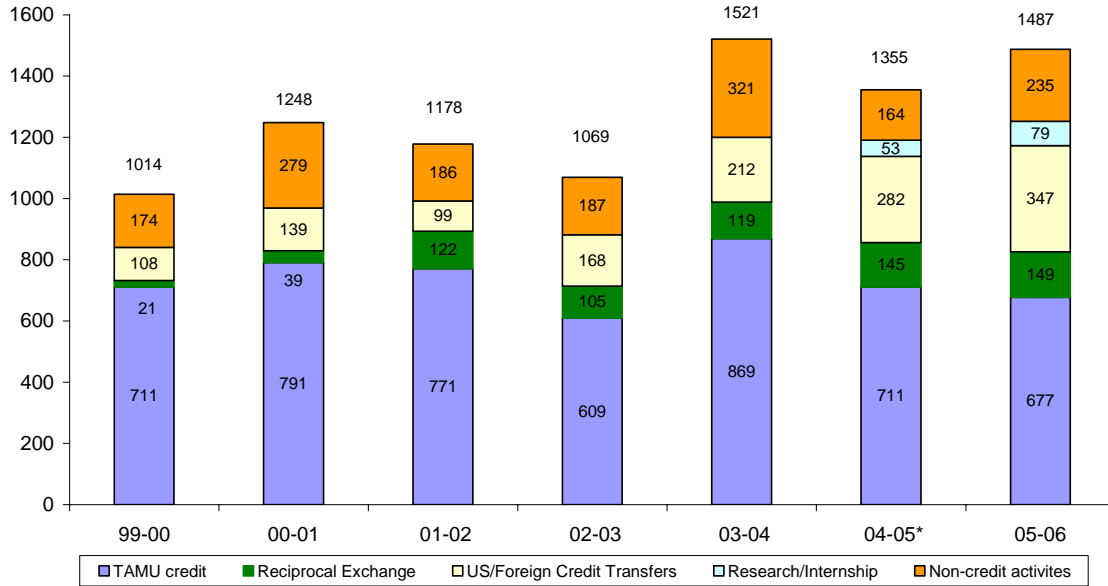
The largest number of Texas A&M students who study, work, conduct research, or travel outside the United States are undergraduate students taking part in faculty-led group programs. The total number of students studying independently abroad has increased consistently since 1989 to an all time high of 339 in 2005-2006, primarily due to the elimination of administrative barriers that make independent programs complex and access to advising specifically for these students. In addition, Texas A&M also increased the total number of faculty-led programs available to students for studying abroad and in 2006 a total of 677 students participated in faculty-led programs through out the year. Non-credit activity level has primarily increased through college efforts to engage freshmen learning communities in international experiences and student awareness of access to a broad range of programs.

### Students Participating in Credit-Bearing Activities Outside the U.S. - 12 year trend



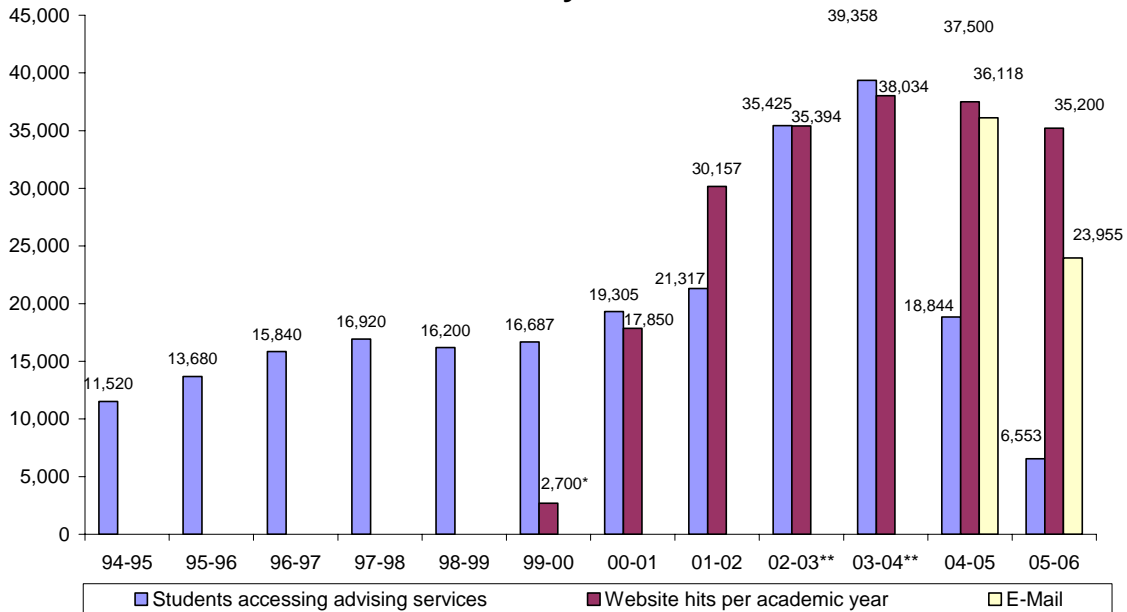
\* Figures include students going in only credit bearing programs

## Detailed Breakdown of Student Participation in Programs and Activities Outside the U.S. - 7 year trend



\* Figures include credit bearing as well as non-credit programs

## Students Accessing Services in the Study Abroad Programs Office - 12 year trend

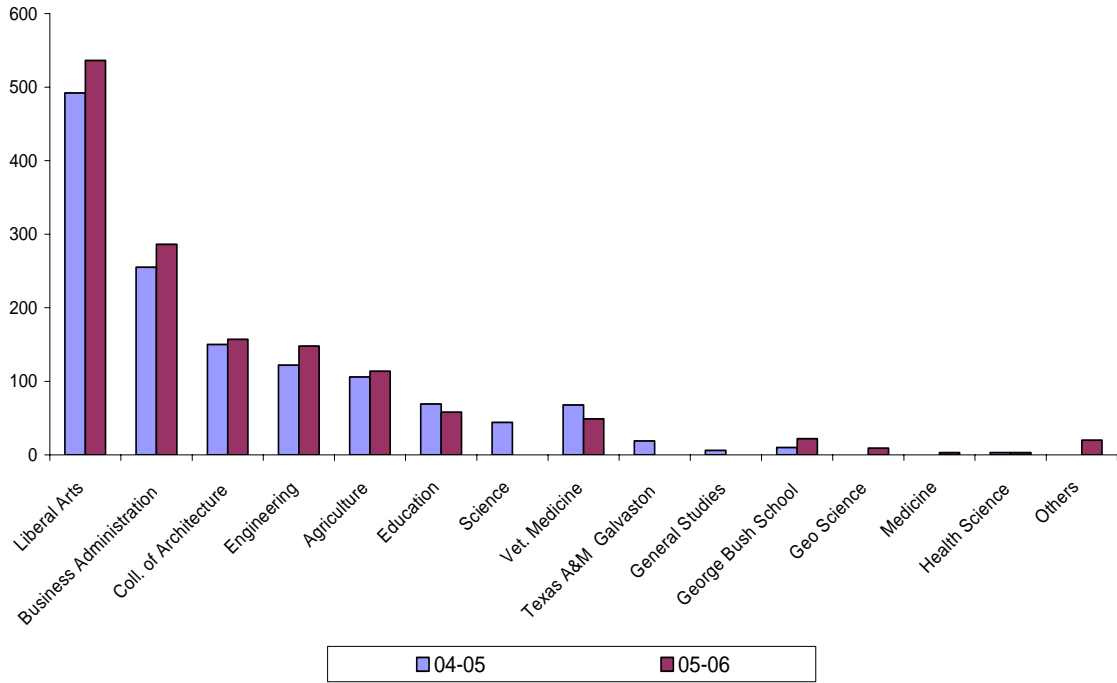


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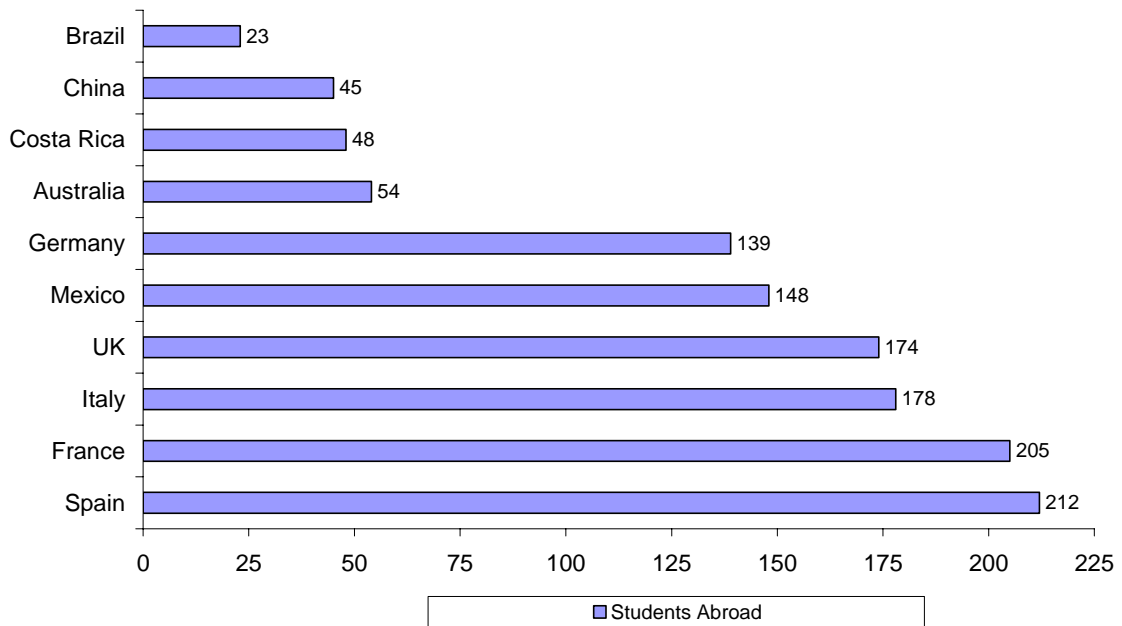
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Study Abroad Students By College  
Fall 2006

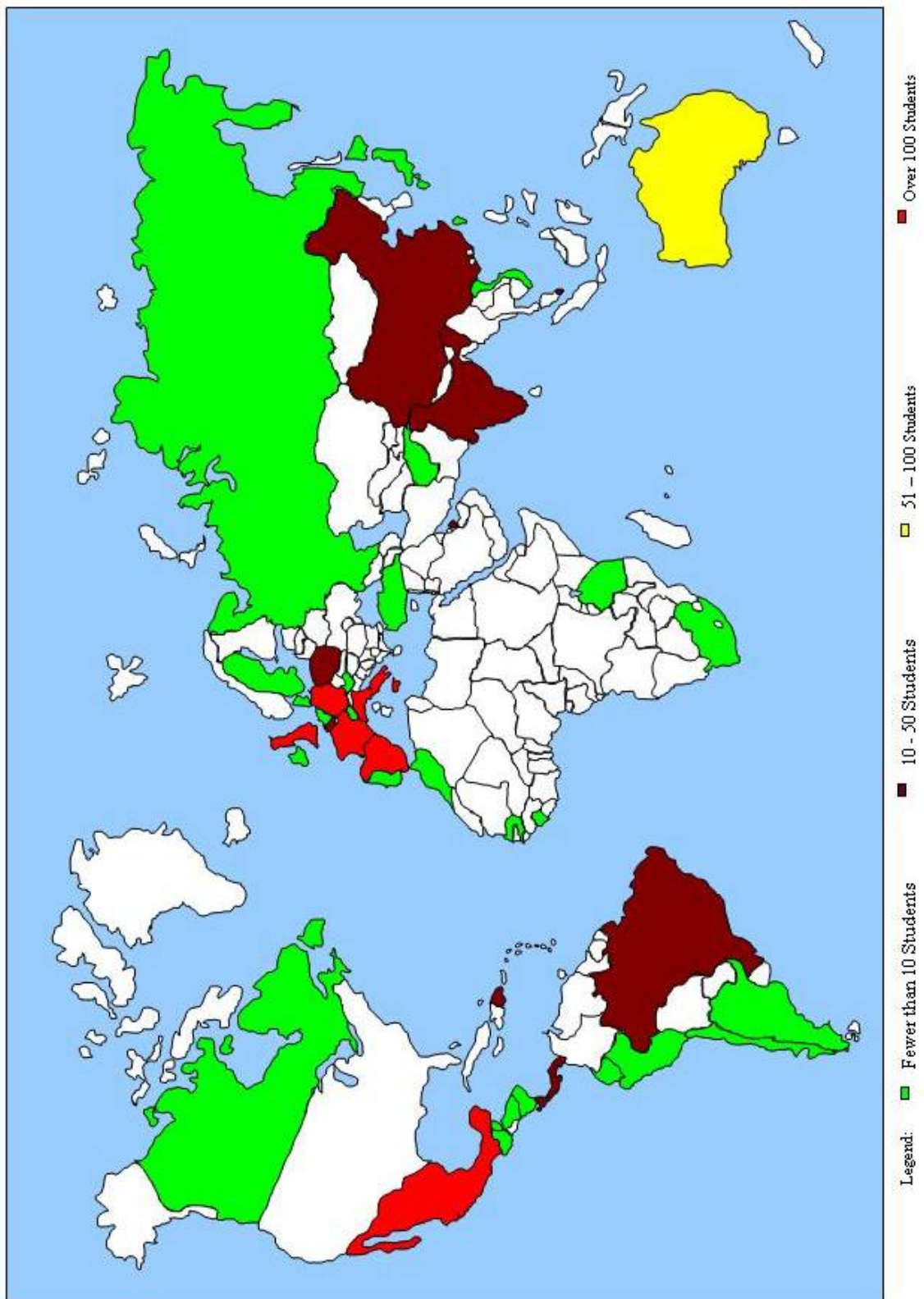


Top 10 International Destinations of Texas A&M Students  
2005-2006



**STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS**  
WORLD MAP DEPICTING GLOBAL PARTICIPATION OF TEXAS A&M STUDENTS  
IN STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS / ACTIVITIES

Texas A&M University Study Abroad Student Profile –2005-2006



**STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS**  
**NATIONAL COMPARISONS**

**Leading Institutions by Total Number of Study Abroad Students**  
**TOP 40 Research Institutions 2004-2005**

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Institution</b>	<b>2004-2005</b>	<b>2003-2004</b>	<b>% Change</b>
1	New York University	2,611	2,475	5.49
2	Michigan State University	2,385	2,269	5.11
3	University of Texas at Austin	2,169	2,011	7.86
4	Penn State University Park Campus	2,084	1,874	11.21
5	University of Minnesota -Twin Cities	1,836	1,644	11.68
6	University of Florida	1,805	1,537	17.44
7	University of Pennsylvania	1,744	1,510	15.50
8	University of Illinois Urbana - Champaign	1,739	1,456	19.44
9	University of Georgia	1,731	1,595	8.53
10	University of Virginia - Main Campus	1,684	1,427	18.01
11	University of Wisconsin - Madison	1,611	1,609	0.12
12	Indiana University at Bloomington	1,605	1,443	11.23
13	University of Washington	1,586	1,454	9.08
14	Ohio State University Main Campus	1,580	1,399	12.94
15	Boston University	1,509	993	51.96
16	University of Arizona	1,462	1,409	3.76
17	University of Delaware	1,461	1,303	12.13
18	Miami University - Oxford Campus	1,434	1,308	9.63
19	University of North Carolina Chapel Hill	1,381	1,660	-16.81
20	Arizona State University	1,365	1,409	-3.12
21	University of Notre Dame	1,358	1,284	5.76
22	Brigham Young University	1,358	1,335	1.72
23	University of Colorado at Boulder	1,356	1,241	9.27
24	University of Southern California	1,343	1,252	7.27
25	Georgetown University	1,315	1,323	-0.60
26	Syracuse University	1,285	1,133	13.42
27	University of Michigan - Ann Arbor	1,263	1,235	2.27
28	San Diego State University	1,257	1,115	12.74
29	Cornell University	1,234	1,129	9.30
30	University of Kansas	1,208	1,088	11.03
<b>31</b>	<b>Texas A&amp;M University</b>	<b>1,191</b>	<b>1,103</b>	<b>7.98</b>
32	George Washington University	1,178	919	28.18
33	Iowa State University of Science & Technology	1,108	1,042	6.33
34	University of Pittsburgh Main Campus	1,089	1,115	-2.33
35	University of Iowa	1,078	883	22.08
36	Ohio University Main Campus	1,063	903	17.72
37	University of California, San Diego	1,037	902	14.97
38	Boston College	1,026	993	3.32
39	University of Maryland College Park	974	974	0.00
40	Florida State University	961	978	-1.74

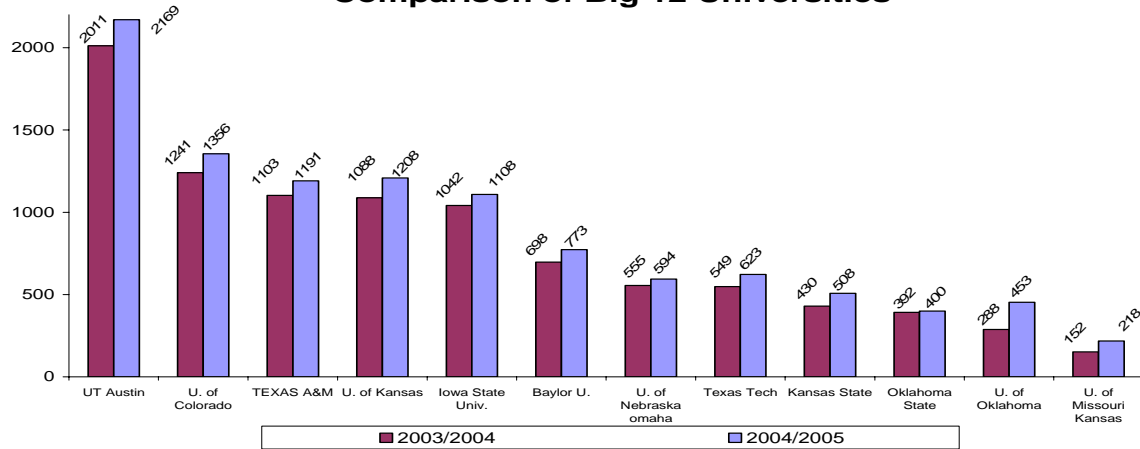
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## STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

### ENROLLMENT COMPARISON WITH BIG 12, VISION 2020, AND TEXAS SCHOOLS

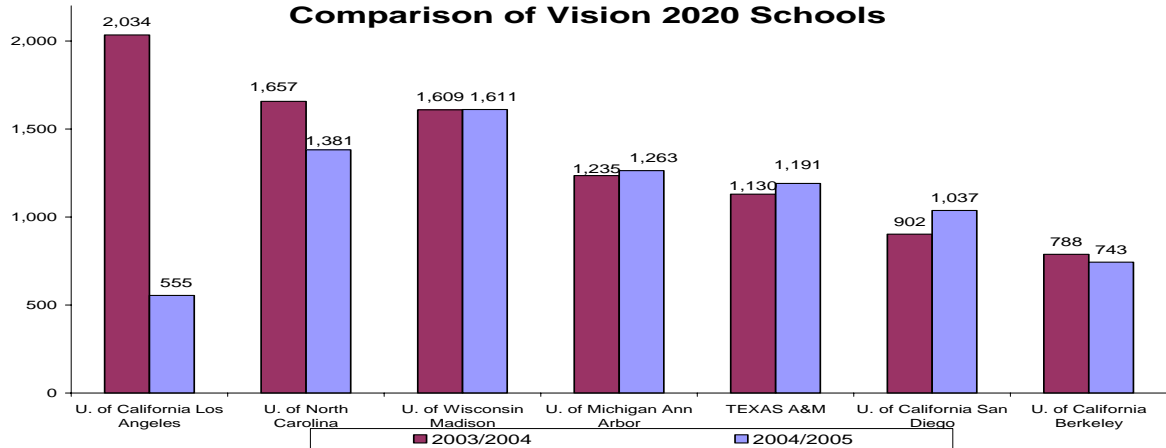
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#### Study Abroad Enrollment 2003-2004\* Comparison of Big 12 Universities



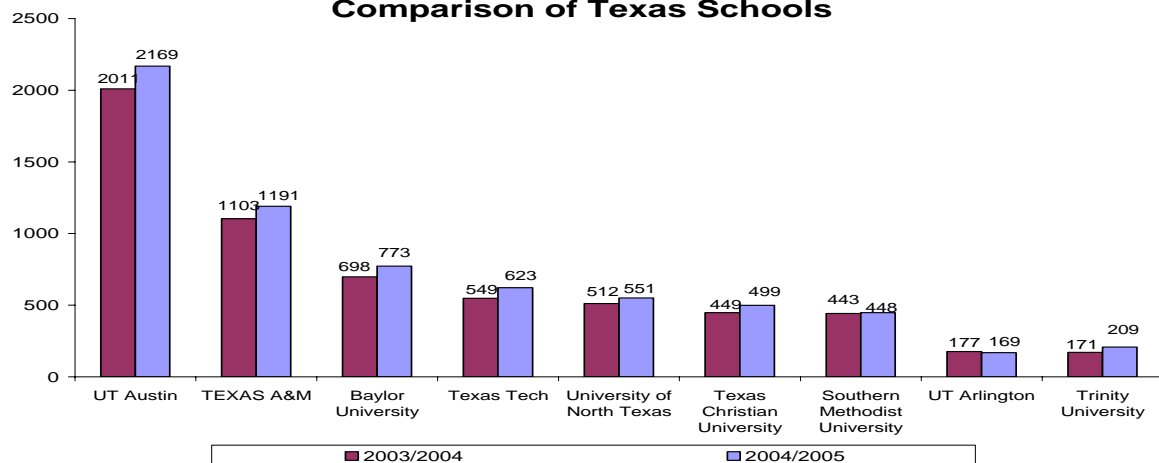
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#### Study Abroad Enrollment 2003-2004\* Comparison of Vision 2020 Schools



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#### Study Abroad Enrollment 2003-2004\* Comparison of Texas Schools



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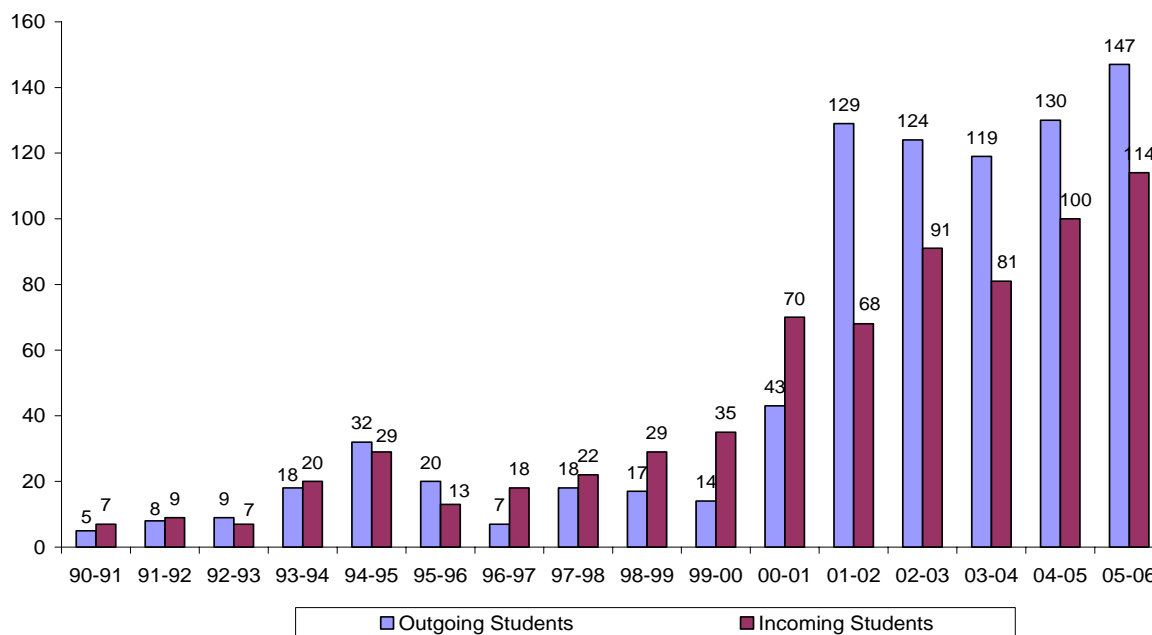
**STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS**  
**RECIPROCAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM**

Texas A&M University students “exchange” places with students at partner institutions in various parts of the world for a one or two semester full-immersion cross-cultural experience. These Reciprocal Education Exchange Program (REEP) students enroll and are “mainstreamed” in the academic setting of the host university. Students pay tuition and fees at their home institutions, not at the host institution. REEPs are regulated by the state and require equal numbers be exchanged over a five-year period.

The Study Abroad Programs Office oversees ten REEPs that are open to all students from any college or major. About 30 other REEPs are college or departmental specific and are open only to students from their majors (See Appendix C for a complete listing of REEPs).

While students typically enroll in REEPs to take courses, Texas A&M has two REEPs designed for students to go abroad and conduct research. The oldest of these is with Oxford University and the most recent is based on a National Science Foundation funded International Research Experience for Undergraduates with a university in Taiwan.

**Reciprocal Educational Exchange Program Summary  
for 1991-2006**



## STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

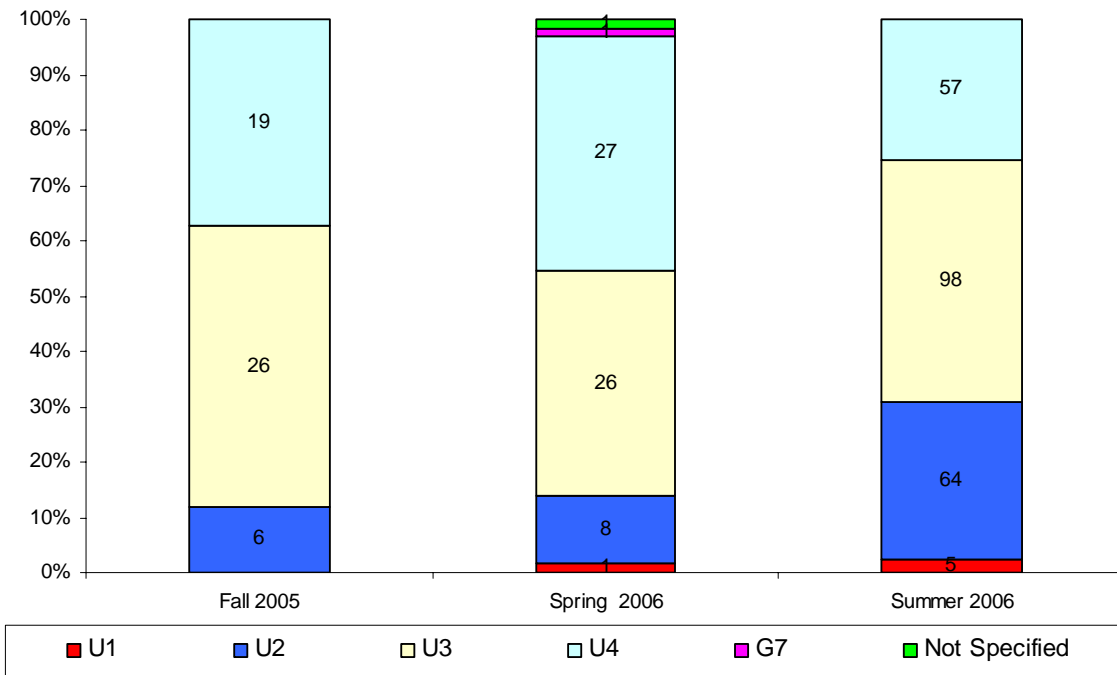
### STUDY ABROAD INDEPENDENT CREDIT TRANSFER PROGRAMS

Opportunities include applying directly to an international university, applying through a sponsoring university, institute, or organization within the U.S., and going abroad to conduct research, working, interning, teaching, or volunteering abroad. The duration of these programs varies from one week to an academic year and students either transfer credit back or arrange for special Texas A&M credit.

Texas A&M has 11 academic affiliation agreements with independent program providers, approved by the Study Abroad Program Policy Committee (SAPPC), which assist students in directly enrolling in a foreign academic institution and/or providing academic courses for transfer credit.

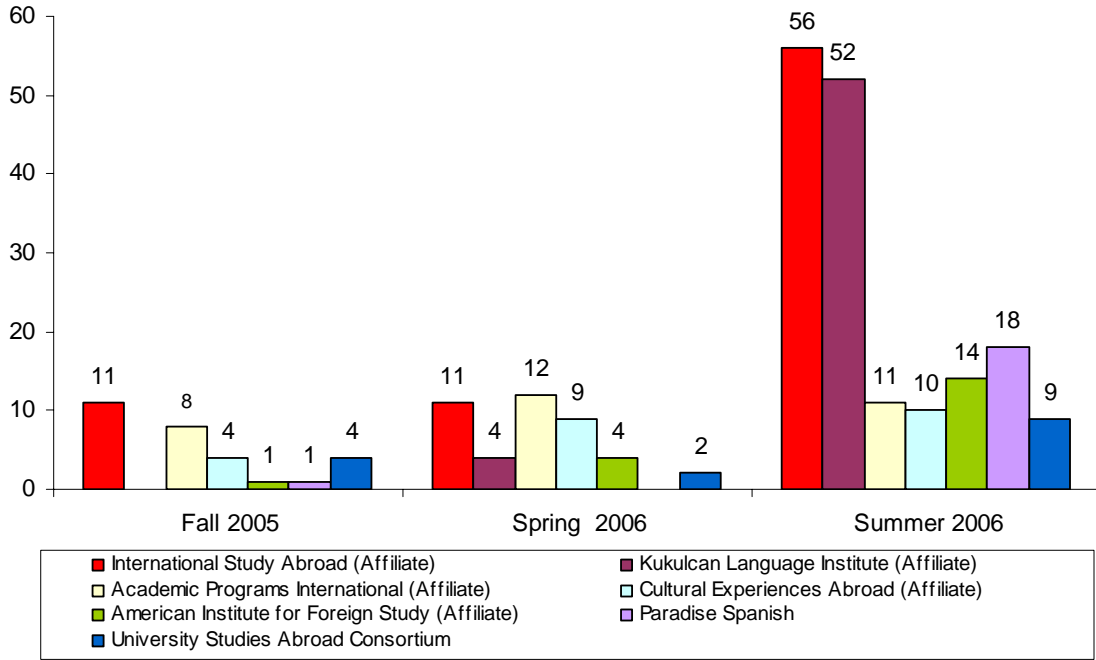
It is interesting to note that most of the participants of independent study abroad programs in 2004-2005 have been juniors and seniors. The total number of students participating independently in study abroad programs in 2005-2006 has risen from 280 to 339, an increase of 59%. However, students from categories U3 and U4 (juniors and seniors) have decreased by 11% from 264 students coming from these categories in 2004-2005 to 253 in 2005-2006. Surprisingly, an increasing number of sophomores (U2) are participating in independent study abroad program, and freshmen participated for the first time in Spring and Summer 2006.

**Study Abroad Credit Transfer Students By Classification  
Fall 2005- Summer 2006**

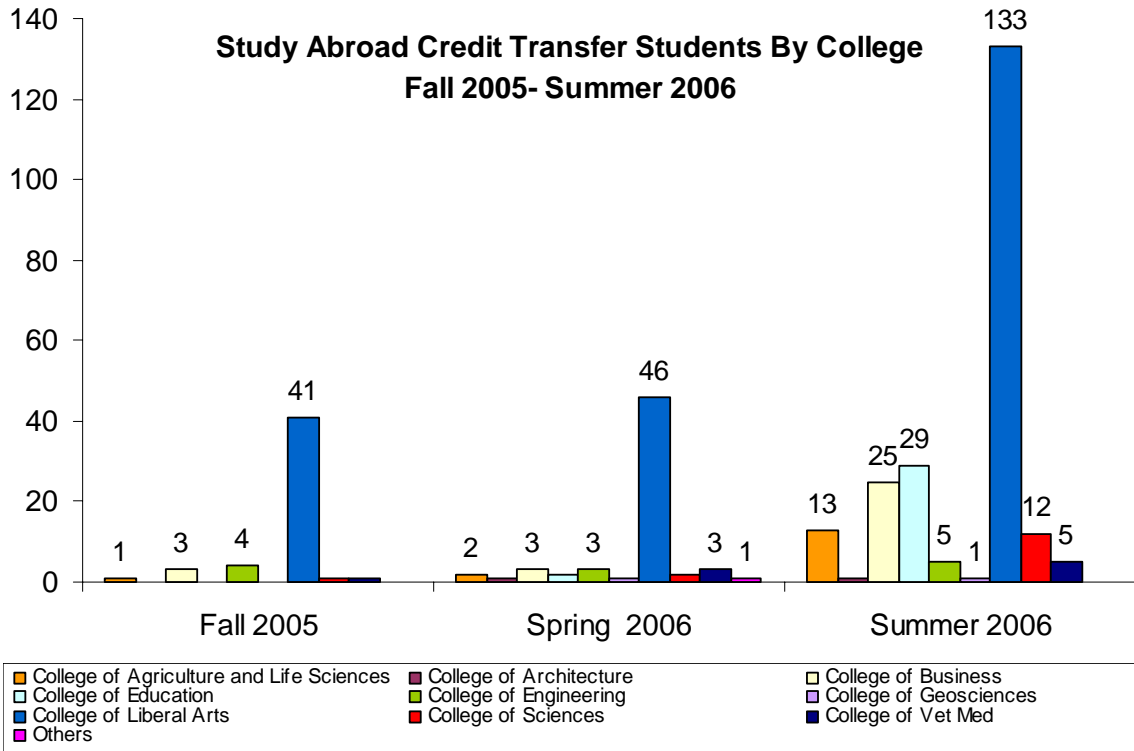




**Preferred Program Providers Enrolling More Than 15 Students Per Year  
Fall 2005- Summer 2006**



**Study Abroad Credit Transfer Students By College  
Fall 2005- Summer 2006**





## SPONSORED STUDENT PROGRAMS

International Programs at Texas A&M University



Sponsored Student Programs provides international students sponsored by governments, businesses or other agencies special assistance with admission, pre-arrival information, academic program arrangements, billing, and liaison services with many partners involved in these special programs.

Violetta Burke Cook  
Director

### **Sponsored Student Programs Office**

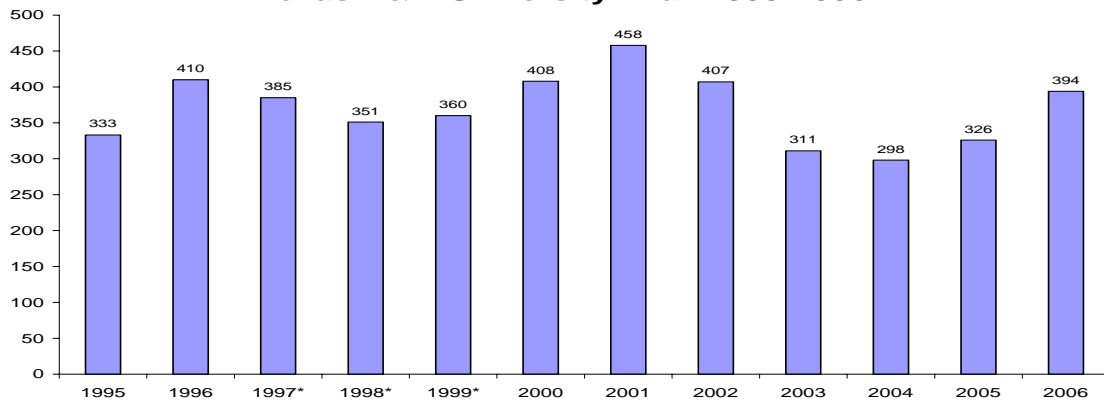
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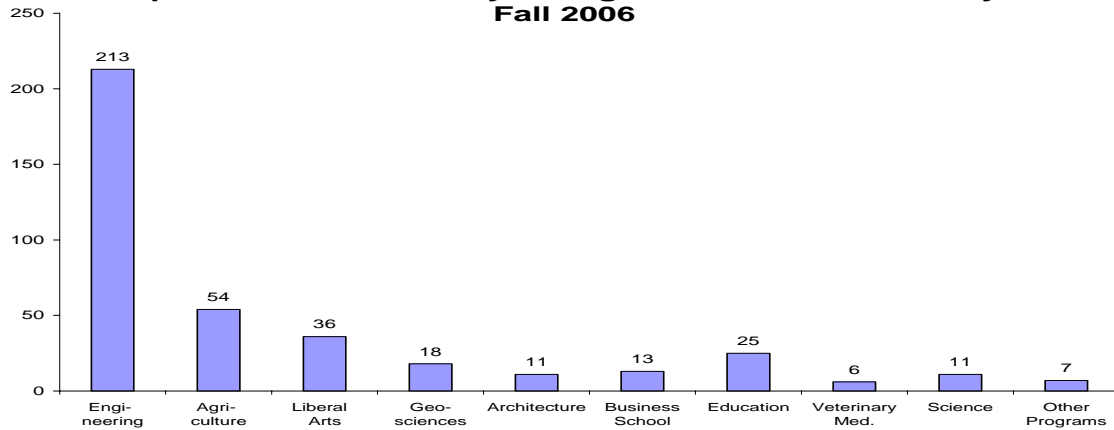
### ENROLLMENT TRENDS

September 11, 2001 had a dramatic impact on the sponsored student population since so many students from Arab and Muslim nations either chose to study in other countries, found it impossible to obtain a U.S. visa in a timely manner, or anticipated an unwelcome environment in our country. However, the decline ended in Fall 2005 with an increase of 9% with respect to Fall 2004. In Fall 2006, the number of sponsored students attending Texas A&M again increased by 20.8% to 394 students studying under sponsorships.

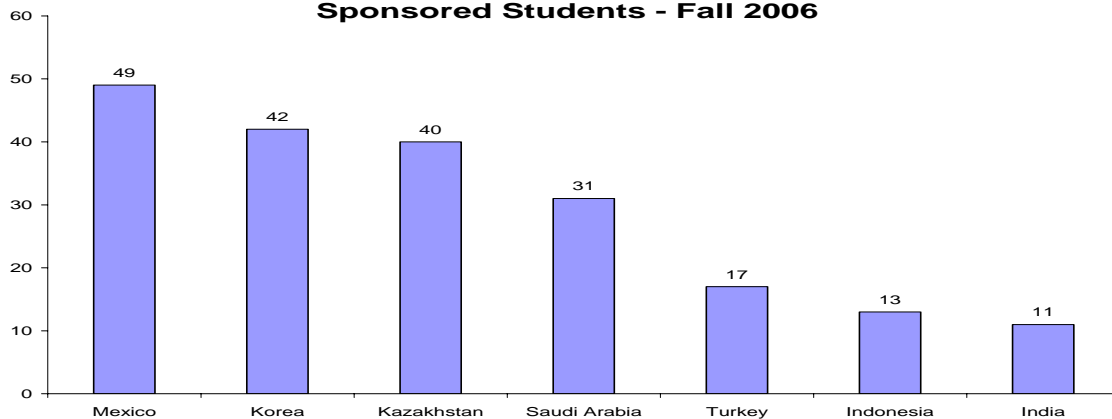
**Number of Sponsored International Students Attending Texas A&M University - Fall 1995-2006**



**Sponsored Students by College Texas A&M University Fall 2006**



**Texas A&M University - Top 7 Countries Represented by Sponsored Students - Fall 2006**





The Santa Chiara Study Center in Italy is the University's focal point in Europe, hosting academic programs year-round.

Paolo Barucchieri  
Director

**Santa Chiara Study Center**

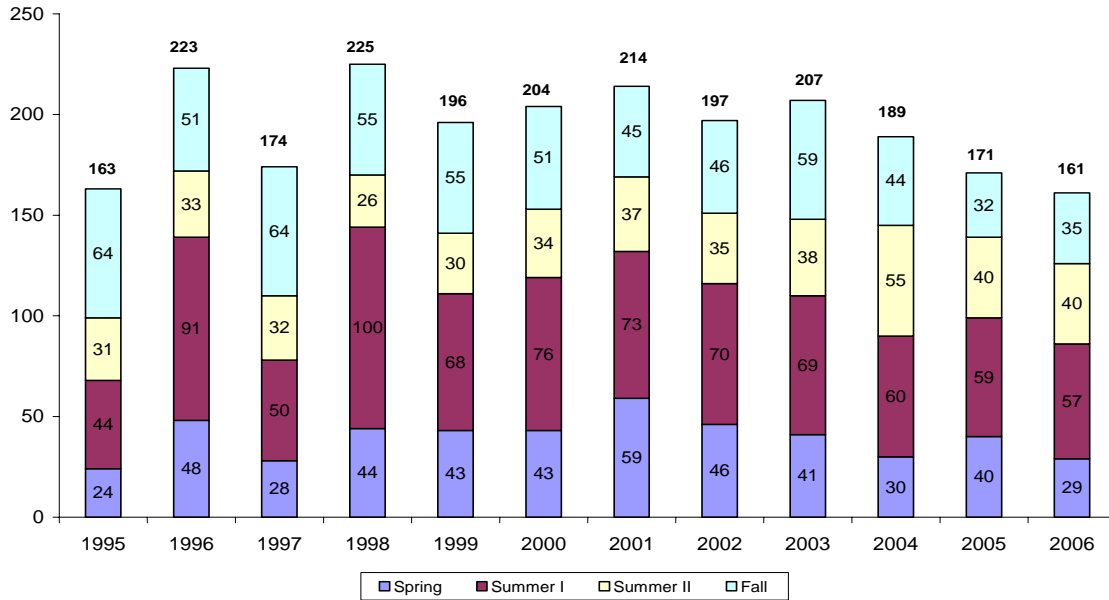
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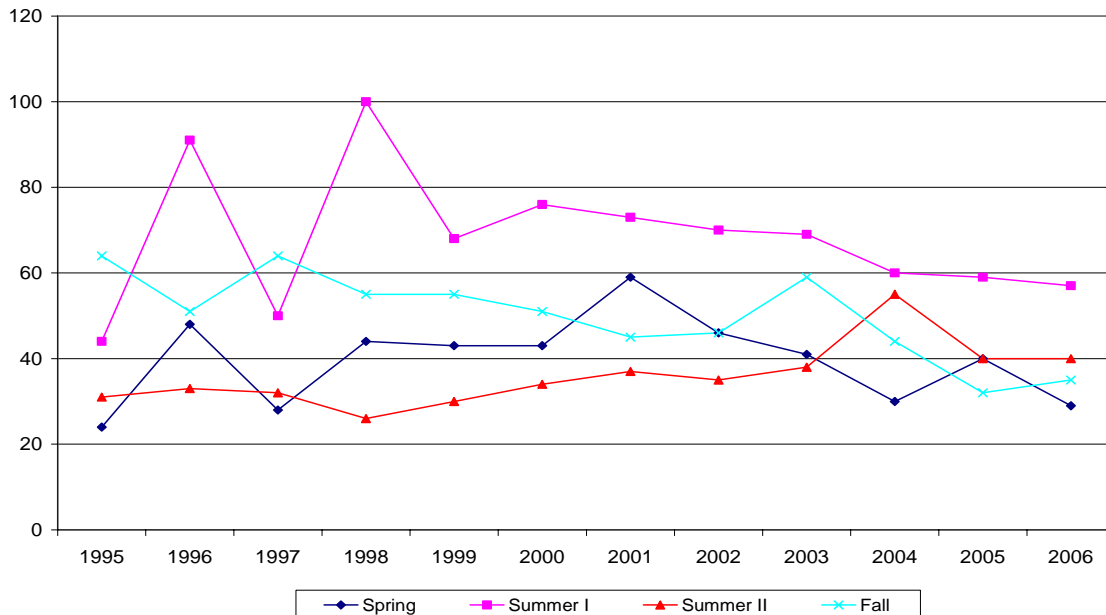
## SANTA CHIARA STUDY CENTER ENROLLMENT TRENDS

Texas A&M University students studied in forty six countries in 2005-2006. However, one of the most popular destinations is Italy due to programs offered at the University's Santa Chiara Study Center in Castiglion Fiorentino, Italy. Over 2,700 students have participated in engineering, architecture, business, education and liberal arts programs since the center's opening. All students study Italian arts and civilization while at the Center; other courses rotate based on selected faculty proposals. The field trips embedded in the Santa Chiara Study Center programs are a major attraction for students. However in recent years the Study Center has seen a continuous decline in enrollment.

### Santa Chiara Study Center Enrollment 1995-2006



### Santa Chiara Study Center Enrollment 1992-2006



## SOURCES OF DATA

- ✚ 'Open Doors' reports released by the Institute Of International Education (IIE)
  
- ✚ Texas A&M Office of Institutional Studies and Planning (OISP)
  
- ✚ Texas A&M International Student Services records
  
- ✚ Texas A&M Study Abroad Office records

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