Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)

ILLINOIS

FAST FACTS

International students at colleges and universities contributed an estimated \$1.004 billion to the Illinois economy in the 2011–12 academic year.

Higher Learning

Illinois is ranked #5 in the U.S. for the number of international students in its colleges and universities.

Illingis universities with the most foreign students

- 1. University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign
- 2. Illinois Institute of Technology 3. University of Chicago 4. University of Illinois—Chicago
- 5. Northwestern University

Leading places of origin for foreign students in Illinois during 2011–12

1. China 2. India 3. South Korea 4. Taiwan 5. Canada



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3,566 citizen diplomats in Illinois volunteered to host international students, scholars, and visitors in their homes and communities.

9,683 citizens of foreign countries participated in ECA's academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in Illinois.

1,422 Illinoisans and foreign visitors participated in ECA's academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in foreign countries.

Notable ECA Alumni

Paul Samuelson

Nobel Prize in Economics, 1970 (Fulbright Scholar, 1972; 1973)

Daniel J. Boorstin

Pulitzer Prize for History, 1974 (*Fulbright Lecturer*, 1950; 1957)

Rosalyn Sussman Yalow

Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine, 1977 (*Fulbright Scholar Program*, 1978)

Daniel Aaron

National Humanities Medal, 2010; Founding President of the Library of America, 1978 (*Fulbright Scholar*, 1962; 1964; 1968; 1973)

David Herbert Donald

Pulitzer Prize for Biography or Autobiography, 1961 and 1988 (*Fulbright Lecturer*, 1953)

James Dewey Watson

Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine, 1962 (*Fulbright Scholar*, 1963; 1986)

Richard (Dick) Durbin

U.S. Senator from Illinois, 1997– Present (*American Council of Young Political Leaders*, 1979)

Stanley Nider Katz

2010 National Humanities Medal; Director Emeritus of the American Council of Learned Societies (Fulbright Scholar, 1959)