

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)

MASSACHUSETTS

FAST FACTS

International students at colleges and universities contributed an estimated **\$1.49 billion** to the Massachusetts economy in the 2011–12 academic year.

849 citizen diplomats in Massachusetts volunteered to host international students, scholars, and visitors in their homes and communities.

16,900 citizens of foreign countries participated in ECA’s academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in Massachusetts.

1,685 Bay Staters and foreign visitors participated in ECA’s academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in foreign countries.

Higher Learning

Massachusetts is ranked **#4** in the U.S. for the number of international students in its colleges and universities.

Massachusetts universities with the most foreign students

1. Northeastern University
2. Boston University
3. Harvard University
4. Massachusetts Institute of Technology
5. University of Massachusetts–Amherst

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

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

Notable ECA Alumni

Herbert P. Bix

Pulitzer Prize for Nonfiction, 2001
(*Fulbright Scholar*, 1977; 1992)

Henry A. Kissinger

Secretary of State, 1973–77;
Nobel Peace Prize, 1973
(*Fulbright Scholar*, 1962)

Wassily Leontief

Nobel Prize in Economics, 1973
(*Fulbright Scholar*, 1961; 1963)

Peter Diamond

Nobel Laureate in Economic Sciences (*Fulbright Scholar*, 2000)

Richard Wilbur

Pulitzer Prize for Poetry, 1957;
1989 (*Short Term American Grant Speakers*, 1964)

Stephen Greenblatt

2012 Pulitzer Prize in General Nonfiction.
(*Fulbright Student*, 1964)

Sylvia Plath

Pulitzer Prize for Poetry, 1982 (posthumous) (*Fulbright Scholar*, 1937; 1955)

Bill Delahunt

U.S. Representative for Massachusetts’s 10th Congressional District, 1997–2011
(*American Council of Young Political Leaders*, 1979)



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