

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)

MINNESOTA

FAST FACTS

International students at colleges and universities contributed an estimated **\$319.2 million** to the Minnesota economy in the 2011–12 academic year.

Higher Learning

Minnesota is ranked **#19** in the U.S. for the number of international students in its colleges and universities.

Minnesota universities with the most foreign students

1. University of Minnesota–Twin Cities
2. St. Cloud State University
3. Minnesota State University–Mankato
4. Minnesota State University–Moorhead
5. University of St. Thomas

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

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

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

5,041 citizens of foreign countries participated in ECA's academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in Minnesota.

1,161 Minnesotans and foreign visitors participated in ECA's academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in foreign countries.

Notable ECA Alumni

Wayne T. Peterson

Pulitzer Prize for Music, 1992
(*Fulbright Scholar*, 1953)

Leonid Hurwicz

Nobel Prize in Economics, 2007
(*Fulbright Scholar*, 1965)

Tim Pawlenty

39th Governor of Minnesota, 2003–11
(*American Council of Young Political Leaders*, 1998)

Dominick Argento

Pulitzer Prize for Music, 1975
(*Fulbright Fellowship*, 1951)

William H. Goetzmann

Pulitzer Prize for History, 1967
(*Fulbright Scholar*, 1967)

Erik Paulsen

U.S. Representative for Minnesota's 3rd Congressional District, 2009–Present
(*American Council of Young Political Leaders*, 2001; 2006)



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