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## FAST FACTS

International students at colleges and universities contributed an estimated **\$48.5 million** to the Mississippi economy in the 2011–12 academic year.

**135** citizen diplomats in Mississippi volunteered to host international students, scholars, and visitors in their homes and communities.

**1,138** citizens of foreign countries participated in ECA’s academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in Mississippi.

**90** Mississippians and foreign visitors participated in ECA’s academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in foreign countries.

### Higher Learning

#### Mississippi universities with the most foreign students

1. Mississippi State University
2. University of Mississippi–Main Campus
3. University of Southern Mississippi
4. Mississippi College
5. Belhaven University

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

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

### Notable ECA Alumni

#### David Herbert Donald

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

#### William Faulkner

Nobel Prize in Literature, 1949; Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, 1955; 1963 (*Short Term American Grant Speakers*, 1957)

#### Eudora Welty

Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, 1973 (*Fulbright Scholar*, 1954)



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