

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)

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FAST FACTS

International students at colleges and universities contributed an estimated **\$256.4 million** to the Wisconsin economy in the 2011–12 academic year.

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

7,606 citizens of foreign countries participated in ECA’s academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in Wisconsin.

1,092 Wisconsinites and foreign visitors participated in ECA’s academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in foreign countries.

Higher Learning

Wisconsin universities with the most foreign students

1. University of Wisconsin–Madison
2. University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee
3. Marquette University
4. University of Wisconsin–La Crosse
5. University of Wisconsin–Eau Claire

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

1. China
2. South Korea
3. India
4. Saudi Arabia
5. Malaysia

Notable ECA Alumni

John L. Hirsch

Vice President, International Peace Academy; United States Ambassador, U.S. Department of State (*Fulbright Student*, 1962)

Merle Eugene Curti

Pulitzer Prize for History, 1944 (*Fulbright Scholar*, 1952, 1964, & 1969; *Short Term American Grant Speakers*, 1966)

Joshua Lederberg

Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine, 1959; National Medal of Science, 1989; Presidential Medal of Freedom, 2006 (*Fulbright Scholar*, 1957)

Mark Pocan

Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Wisconsin’s 2nd district (*American Council of Young Political Leaders*, 2002)

Carlos E. Santiago

Chancellor, University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee, 2004–10; Chief Executive Officer, Hispanic College Fund, 2010–Present (*Fulbright Scholar*, 1993)

Mark Andrew Green

U.S. Ambassador to Tanzania, 2007–09; U.S. Representative for Wisconsin’s 8th Congressional District, 1999–2007 (*American Council of Young Political Leaders*)



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