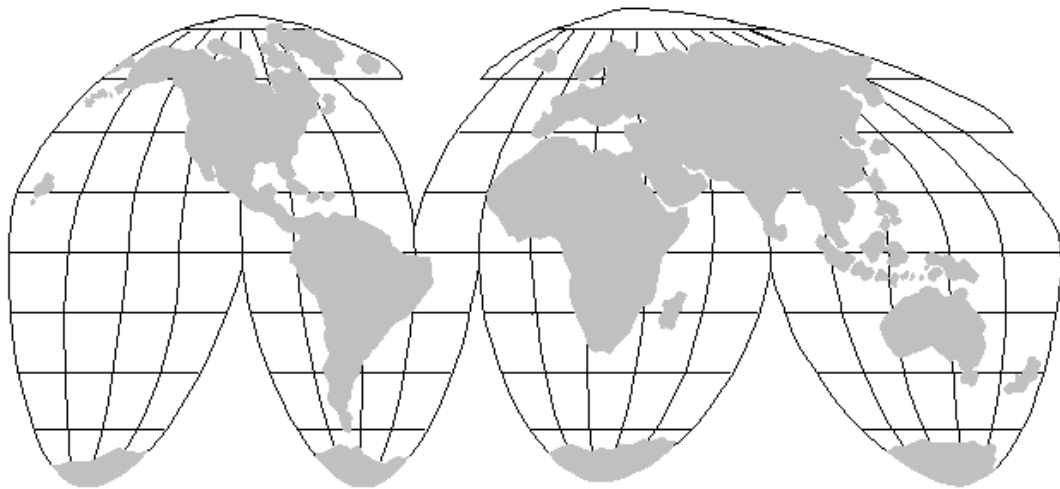


Texas State University



**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT
STATISTICAL REPORT**



Fall 2008

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1 Introduction

1.1 Why Study at Texas State University – San Marcos?

Texas State University – San Marcos is an international-student friendly institution. EducationUSA, which is a program of the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, has defined international-friendly institutions as institutions that “recognize that in an increasingly interdependent world there is educational value in having international students on the campus”.

Texas State recognizes the value international students bring to our institution and it is committed to providing international students with an enriching education experience. The professional staff at the International Office maintains membership in appropriate international educational organizations and associations to be actively engaged in the many regulatory, educational, and cultural issues related to international students. Texas State also provides special programs for international students to assist them in achieving a successful transition into our University. Some of these programs include an international student orientation, a welcome social for new international students, and options for additional English instruction for non-native speakers.

Overall Texas State is a friendly campus that has a lot to offer international students: prestigious programs, beautiful parks and campus, artistic, cultural, political and athletic events, and a convenient location in close proximity to two of the most eclectic cities in Texas, Austin and San Antonio.

Here are some measures of excellence you will find here at Texas State

- Named U.S. News America’s Best Colleges 2009
- The Princeton Review named Texas State an America's Best Value College for 2006-2007.
- Texas State business and mass communication students won their second National title at the American Advertising (AAF) 2005 National Student Advertising Competition (NSAC). Since 1990, the Texas State team has placed within the top four places eight times.
- Denise Smart, Dean of the McCoy College of Business Administration was named the most student-centered dean in a panel of Fortune 500 executives.
- The Mitte Laureate Scholarship is the largest four-year undergraduate scholarship offered by a public institution in the state of Texas.
- Texas State produces more teachers than any other college or university in Texas.
- The Criminal Justice Department is nationally recognized for its training program in hostage negotiation.
- Texas State is the only central Texas public university that offers a Bachelor's degree in Radiation Therapy.
- The Mitte Art-Technology-Physics building opened in the fall of 2003 and contains one of the first MicroFab Lab facilities in a U.S. academic institution.
- The Sound Technology Recording Program of the School of Music is the only four-year program in Texas and is also housed in a commercial recording studio.

1.2 Who is an International Student?

An international student is a student who enrolls in a U.S. academic program and whose status is non-immigrant. Common non-immigrant statuses are A-1, A-2, B1, B-2, E-1, E-2, F-1, F-2, H-1, H-4, J-1, J-2, L-1, L-2, M-1, R-1 and R-2. F-1 is the most common status used by international students. A student who has applied for or received permanent residency, refugee status or asylum in the U.S. is not considered to be an international student by the U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services (USCIS).

1.3 Your Second Home - Texas State University San Marcos

Completed in 1903 the red-roofed, castle-like landmark Old Main is Texas State's first building. Texas State University-San Marcos is a doctoral granting university located in the burgeoning Austin-San Antonio corridor, the largest campus in the Texas State University System, and one of the 75 largest universities in the country.

Texas State's 26,481 students choose from 110 undergraduate and 88 masters and 8 Ph.D. graduate degree programs offered by seven colleges (Applied Arts, McCoy College of Business Administration, Education, Fine Arts and Communication, Health Professions, Liberal Arts, and Science), the University College, and the Graduate College.

With a diverse campus community including over 30% of the student body from ethnic minorities, Texas State is one of the top 20 producers of Hispanic baccalaureate graduates in the nation. See the University Fact book for more information.

Texas State is also the lead institution of a multi-institution teaching center offering several programs in the greater north Austin area. There are 1,508 Texas State students enrolled at the Round Rock Higher Education Center (RRHEC).

1.3.1 Location

Located on the edge of the Texas Hill Country, where black land prairies turn in to beautiful hills, Texas State enjoys a setting that is unique among Texas universities. The beauty of the crystal-clear San Marcos River and the stately cypress and pecan trees on the campus adds to the charm of its picturesque settings. The campus is in San Marcos, a community about halfway between Austin and San Antonio. Its location on the banks of the San Marcos River provides recreational and leisure activities for students throughout the year.



1.3.2 History

Authorized by the Texas Legislature in 1899, Southwest Texas State Normal School opened its doors in 1903. Over the years the Legislature broadened the institution's scope and changed its name, in succession, to Normal College, Teachers College, College, University, and in 2003 to Texas State University-San Marcos. Each name reflects the university's growth from a small teacher preparation institution to a major, multipurpose university. Texas State's original mission was to prepare Texas public school teachers, especially those of south central Texas. It became renowned for carrying out this mission, but today it does far more.

1.3.3 Colleges

The University offers programs in colleges of Applied Arts, Business Administration, Education, Fine Arts and Communication, Health Professions, Liberal Arts, and Science. In 1986 the University College was created to assure a broad general education for all students, regardless of major. In 1935 the Board of Regents authorized the formation of The Graduate College.

1.3.4 Campus

As the university's student population has grown - from 303 in 1903 to 28,121 in 2008 - the campus, too, has expanded, and today consists of a 456-acre main campus and 5,000 additional acres in recreational, instructional, farm and ranch land. Overlooking the campus and serving as a landmark since 1903 is Old Main, a red-gabled Victorian building restored to its original grandeur. In 1979, after adding a number of classroom buildings and residence halls, the university purchased the former San Marcos Baptist Academy adjacent to the original campus. In 1994 the 90-acre Aquarena Springs theme park, also adjacent to the main campus, was purchased. Campus facilities encourage a feeling that Texas State is a special place.

1.4 About International Office – Texas State

The International Office is committed to promoting diversity at Texas State University by supporting international students and the University community with specialized services and by globally marketing Texas State's educational programs.

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2 Fall 2008 Summary

A total of 467 students from abroad, representing 77 countries, claim Texas State University San Marcos as their home this fall semester.

From the total number of 29,125 enrolled students, 1.60% comprised by the International Student body.

International undergraduate students comprise 0.64% of the total undergraduate body, 159 from 24,810 total undergraduate students.

A total of 226 international graduate and professional students represent 6.03% of 3,746 students at this level of study.

School Information: Texas State University -San Marcos		
Student Body: Coed	Calendar: Semester	Highest Offering: Post-doctoral research

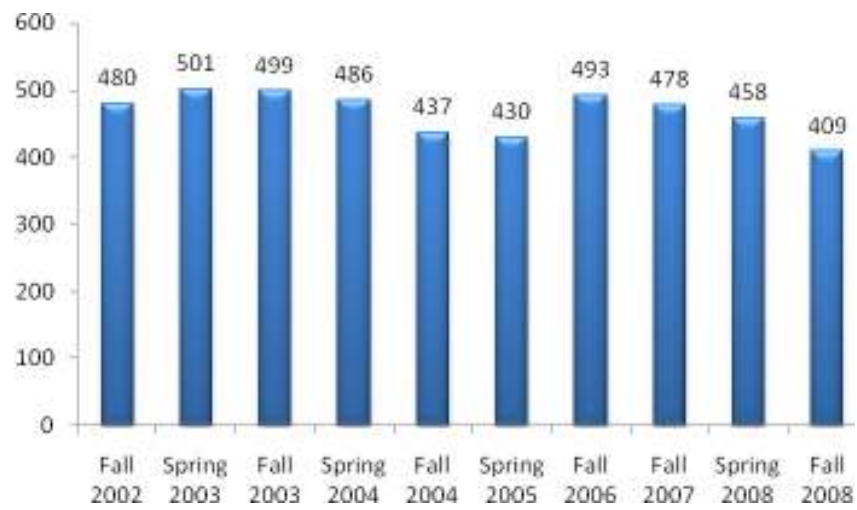
International Student Statistics: Fall 2008			
Undergraduates: 159	Graduates: 226	Other: 24*	Total: 409** OPT: 58

*Others include intensive English students.

** Total number of students excludes number of OPT students.

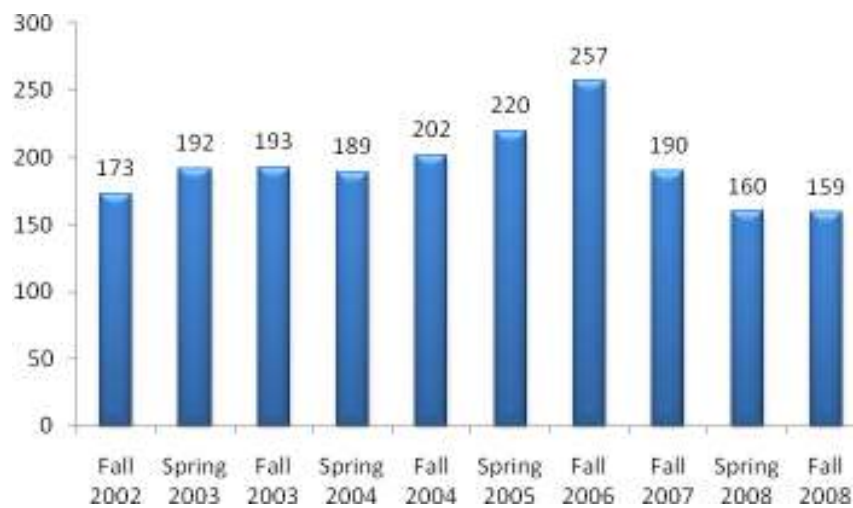
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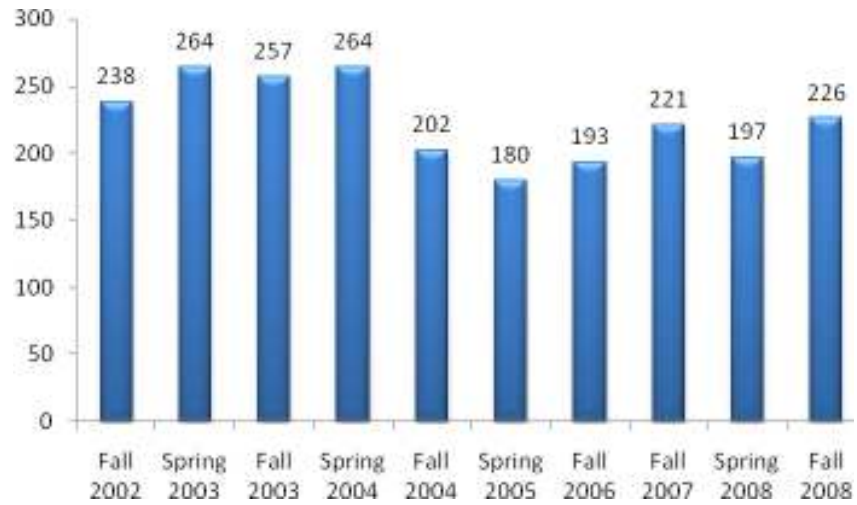


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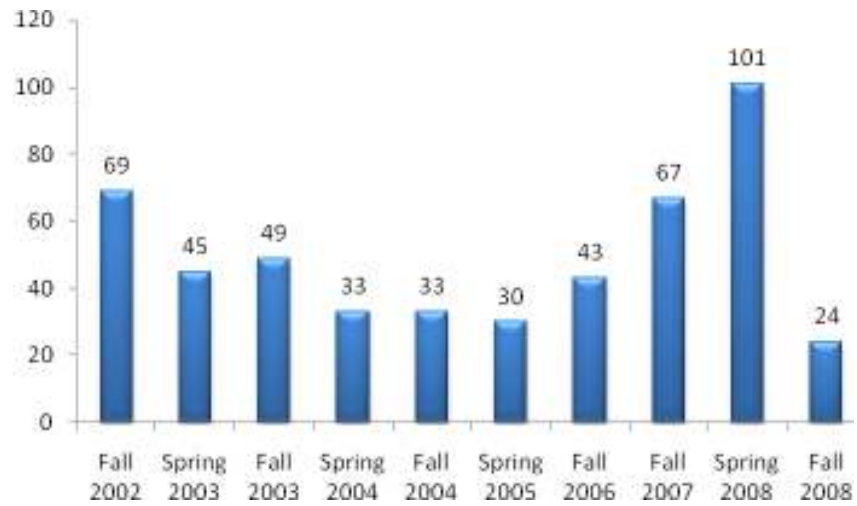
Total Undergraduate Statistics



Total Graduate Statistics



Total *Other Statistics

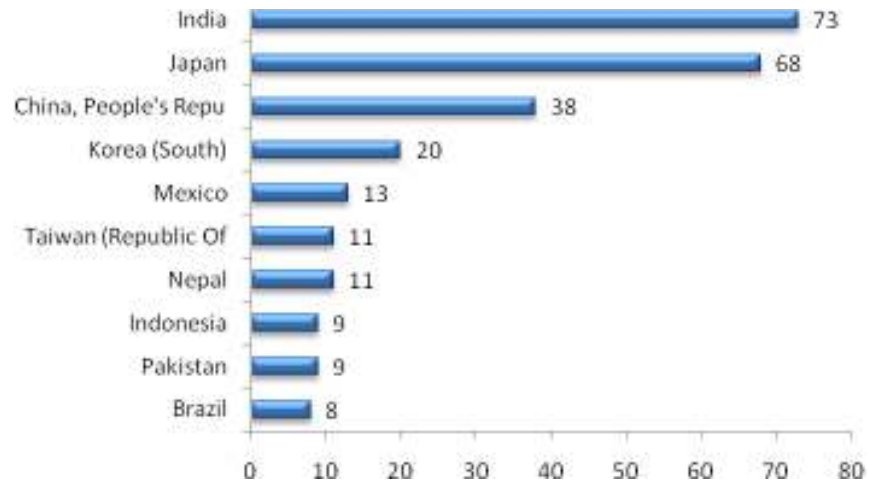


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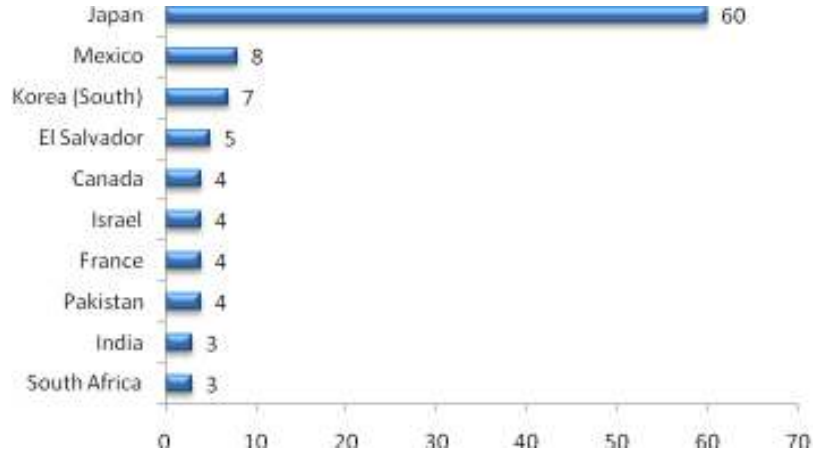
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2.2 Top Ten Countries by Number of International Students

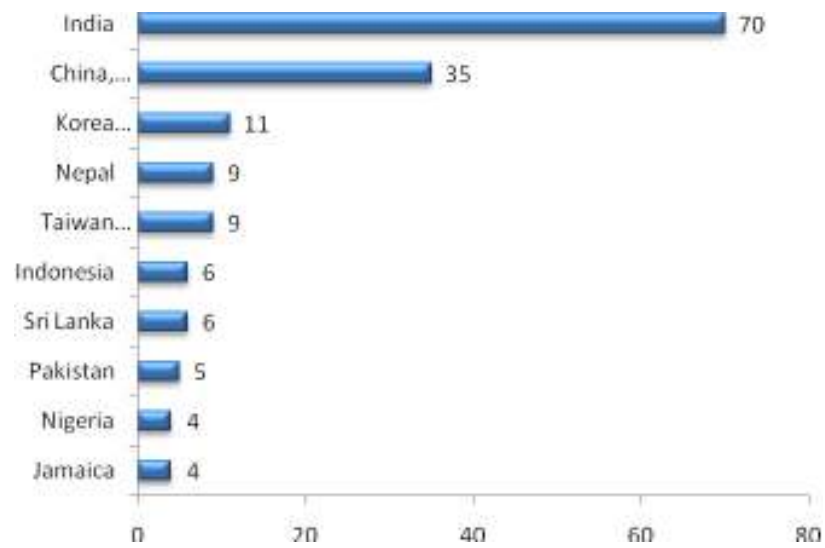
Top 10 Countries by Total Number of International Students



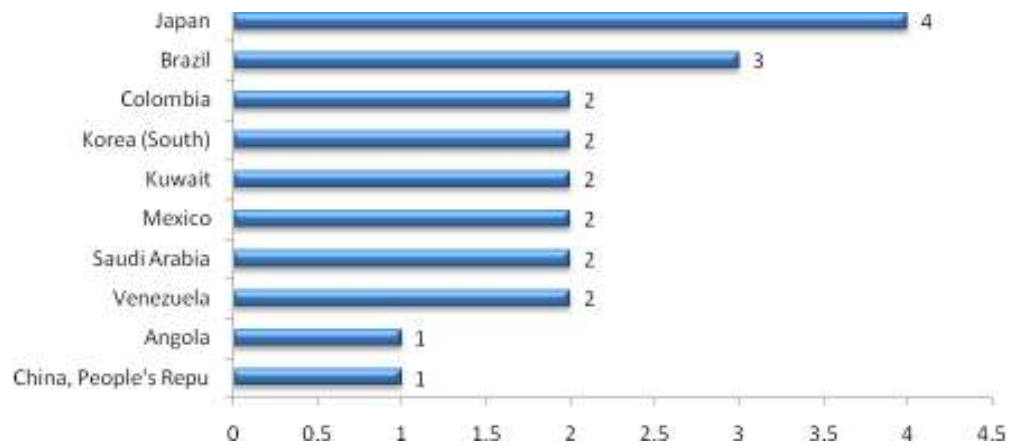
Top 10 by Undergraduate Enrollment



Top 10 by Graduate Enrollment

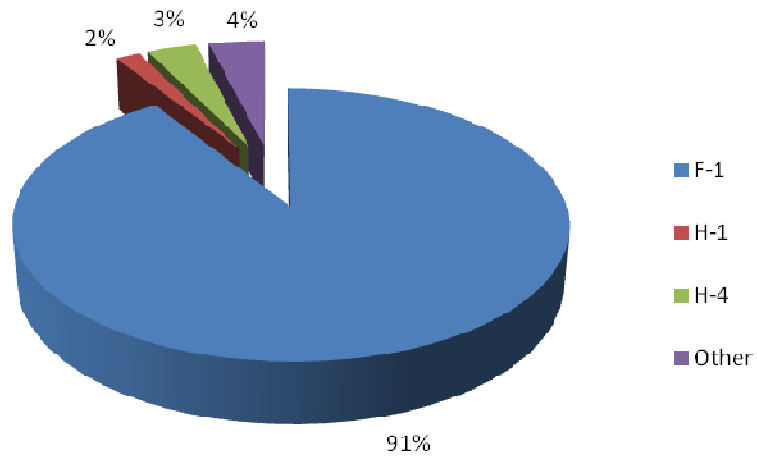


Top Countries by *Other Enrollment



*Others include intensive English students.

2.3 Student Statistics at Texas State University – San Marcos



International Students	U.S. Citizens*	Texas State Student Total*
409	28,698	29,105
F Visa	367	
**Other Visa	42	

**Other visa include A, J, L, K, R and TN.

*Source data from Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs

	U.S.Citizens/Permanent Residents	International	Total
Undergraduates	24,664	159	24,823
Graduates	3520	226	3,746

2.3.1 Cumulative GPA by International Status and Classification for Fall 2008

	International Cumulative GPA	Non-International Cumulative GPA
Freshman	2.81	2.58
Sophomore	2.99	2.76
Junior	3.32	2.82
Senior	3.12	2.93
Masters	3.45	3.64
Post-Bacc	3.21	3.49
Doctoral	3.86	3.89
Total	3.31	2.93
Undergrad Total	3.10	2.82
Note: International includes F1, F2, H1, H2		

*Source data from the office of Institutional Research.

Cumulative GPA Comparison of Graduate Students in Business Administration and Elsewhere by International Status and Classification for Fall 2008

		International Cumulative GPA	Non-International Cumulative GPA
McCoy College of Business Administration	Masters	3.50	3.44
	Post-Bacc	3.06	3.47
	Total	3.46	3.45
Other Colleges	Masters	3.43	3.67
	Post-Bacc	3.28	3.49
	Doctoral	3.86	3.89
	Total	3.47	3.66
Total	Masters	3.45	3.64
	Post-Bacc	3.21	3.49
	Doctoral	3.86	3.89
	Total	3.47	3.64
Note: International includes F1, F2, H1, H2			

*Source data from the office of Institutional Research.

Comparison of Cumulative GPA of Graduate Students in Computer Science, Computer Info Systems and Elsewhere by International Status and Classification

		International Cumulative GPA	Non-International Cumulative GPA
Computer Science	Masters	3.26	3.53
	Post-Bacc	4.00	3.18
	Total	3.27	3.45
Other Departments	Masters	3.55	3.64
	Post-Bacc	3.14	3.50
	Doctoral	3.86	3.89
	Total	3.56	3.65
Total	Masters	3.45	3.64
	Post-Bacc	3.21	3.49
	Doctoral	3.86	3.89
	Total	3.47	3.64
Note: International includes F1, F2, H1, H2			

*Source data from the office of Institutional Research.

Statistics By Nationality

	Country	Undergraduate	Graduate	TSIE	Total
1	Angola	2	-	1	3
2	Argentina	1	-	-	1
3	Australia	-	2	-	2
4	Azerbaijan	-	-	-	0
5	Bangladesh	1	2	-	3
6	Barbados	1	-	-	1
7	Belize (British Hond	1	-	-	1
8	Bolivia	1	1	-	2
9	Bosnia and Herzegovina	-	1	-	1
10	Brazil	3	2	3	8
11	Cambodia	-	1	-	1
12	Cameroon	1	2	-	3
13	Canada	4	2	-	6
14	Chile	2	1	-	3
15	China	2	35	1	38
16	Colombia	1	3	2	6
17	Costa Rica	-	1	-	1
18	Denmark	1	-	-	1
19	Ecuador	-	1	-	1
20	El Salvador	5	-	-	5
21	Ethiopia	-	1	-	1
22	France	4	-	-	4
23	Germany	2	-	-	2
24	Ghana	1	1	-	2
25	Hong Kong	-	1	-	1
26	India	3	70	-	73
27	Indonesia	3	6	-	9
28	Iran	-	1	-	1
29	Iraq	1	-	-	1
30	Israel	4	-	-	4
31	Italy	-	1	-	1
32	Jamaica	-	4	-	4
33	Japan	60	4	4	68
34	Jordan	-	1	1	2
35	Kazakhstan	-	1	-	1

36	Kenya	-	3	-	3
37	Korea (North)	1	-	-	1
38	Korea (South)	7	11	2	20
39	Kuwait	-	-	2	2
40	Latvia	1	-	-	1
41	Lebanon	-	1	-	1
42	Malaysia	2	-	-	2
43	Mexico	8	3	2	13
44	Moldova	-	-	-	0
45	Morocco	-	-	-	0
46	Nepal	2	9	-	11
47	Netherlands	2	1	-	3
48	Nicaragua	1	1	-	2
49	Niger	1	-	-	1
50	Nigeria	1	4	-	5
51	P R China	-	-	-	0
52	Pakistan	4	5	-	9
53	Panama	1	1	-	2
54	Peru	-	1	-	1
55	Potugal	-	1	-	1
56	Russia	2	1	-	3
57	Saint Kitts & Nevis	1	-	-	1
58	Saudi Arabia	-	2	2	4
59	Scotland	2	1	-	3
60	Senegal	1	-	-	1
61	Serbia	-	2	-	2
62	Slovenia	-	-	-	0
63	South Africa	3	-	-	3
64	Sri Lanka	1	6	-	7
65	St. Kitts and Nevis	-	-	-	0
66	Sweden	2	-	-	2
67	Switzerland	1	-	-	1
68	Taiwan	1	9	1	11
69	Thailand	-	3	-	3
70	Togo	-	-	-	0
71	Turkey	-	-	-	0
72	United Kingdom	2	1	-	3
73	Venezuela	1	2	2	5
74	Vietnam	2	-	1	3
75	Wales	1	-	-	1

76	Zambia	1	-	-	1
77	Zimbabwe	-	1	-	1
	Country not specified	3	12	-	15
	Total	159	226	24	409
A total of 77 countries were represented this semester					

2.4 Student Statistics Based on Academic College/TSIE

Academic Colleges/TSIE	Undergraduate	Graduate	TSIE	Total
College of Applied Arts	4	2	-	6
College of Business Admin.	38	51	-	89
College of Education	18	23	-	41
College of Fine Arts & Comm.	23	14	-	37
College of Health Professions	5	10	-	15
College of Liberal Arts	21	29	-	50
College of Science	27	95	-	122
University College / Undecided	26	-	-	26
Texas State Intensive English	-	-	23	23
Total	162	224	23	409

*Source data from the office of Institutional Research.

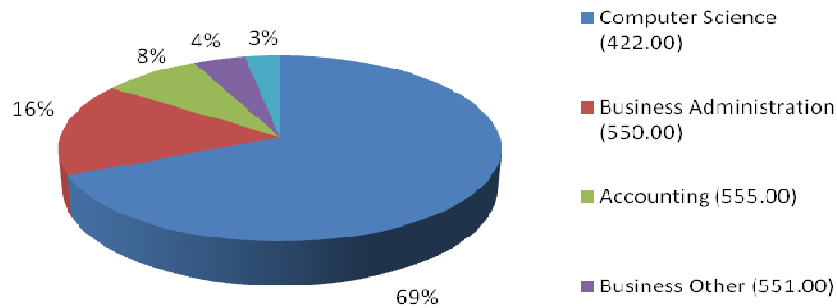
Note: Statistics include F1,F2,H1,H4. Discrepancy in the total number of students with previous data is considered to be caused by the timing of the report.

2.5 Top 5 Majors for International Students from Fall 2002 to Fall 2008

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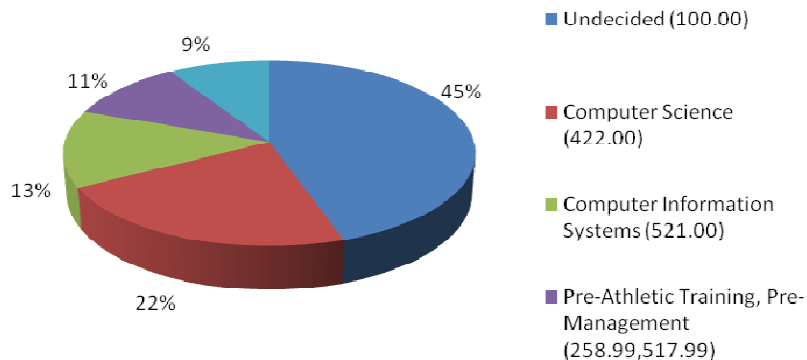
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1	Computer Science (422.00)	143
2	Business Administration (550.00)	34
3	Accounting (555.00)	17
4	Business Other (551.00)	9
5	Geography, Software Engineering (317.00,423.00)	6

Number of International Graduate Students – Fall 2002



#	Major	Number of International Undergraduate Students
1	Undecided (100.00)	30
2	Computer Science (422.00)	15
3	Computer Information Systems (521.00)	9
4	Pre-Athletic Training, Pre-Management (258.99,517.99)	7
5	Exercise and Sports Science (257.10)	6

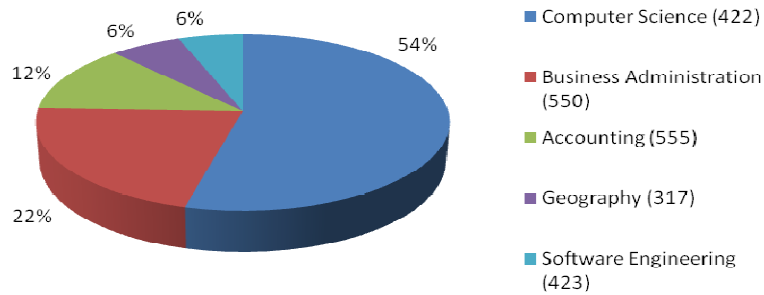
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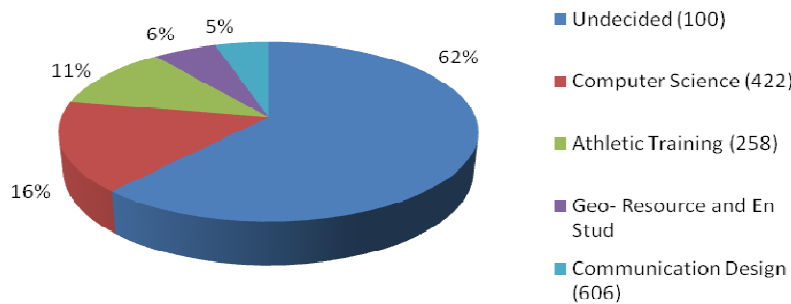
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1	Computer Science (422)	95
2	Business Administration (550)	38
3	Accounting (555)	22
4	Geography (317)	11
5	Software Engineering (423)	10

Number of International Graduate Students – Fall 2003



#	Major	Number of International Undergraduate Students
1	Undecided (100)	64
2	Computer Science (422)	17
3	Athletic Training (258)	12
4	Geo- Resource and En Stud, Management, Computer Information Systems, Mass Communications (315,517,521,670)	6
5	Communication Design (606)	5

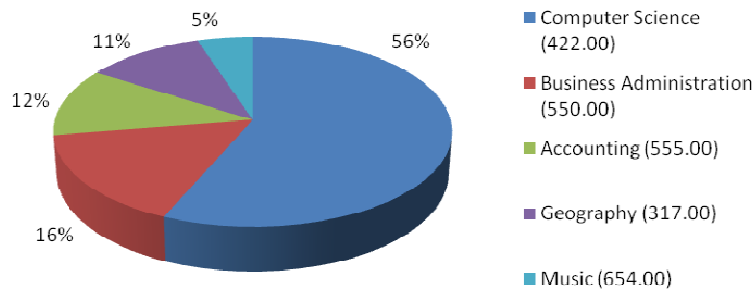
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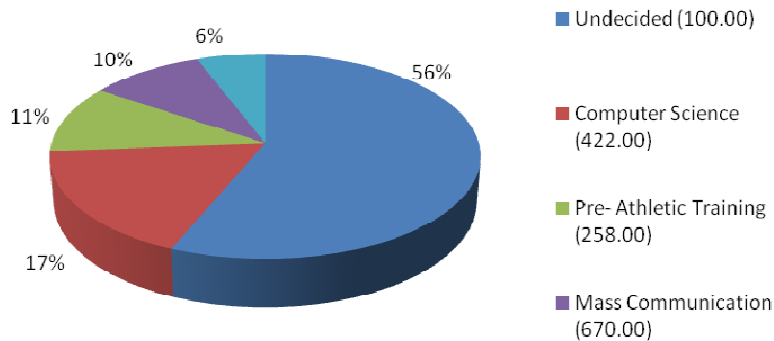
#	Major	Number of International Graduate Students
1	Computer Science (422.00)	78
2	Business Administration (550.00)	22
3	Accounting (555.00)	16
4	Geography (317.00)	15
5	Music (654.00)	7

Number of International Graduate Students – Fall 2004



#	Major	Number of International Undergraduate Students
1	Undecided (100.00)	58
2	Computer Science (422.00)	18
3	Pre- Athletic Training (258.00)	11
4	Mass Communication (670.00)	10
5	International Studies, Accounting (330.00,511.00)	6

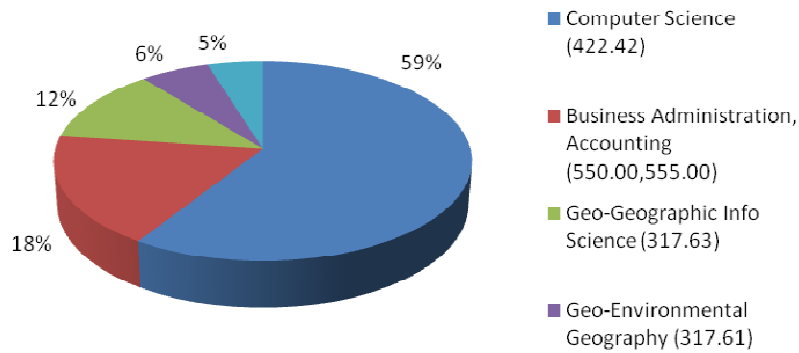
Number of International Undergraduate Students – Fall 2004



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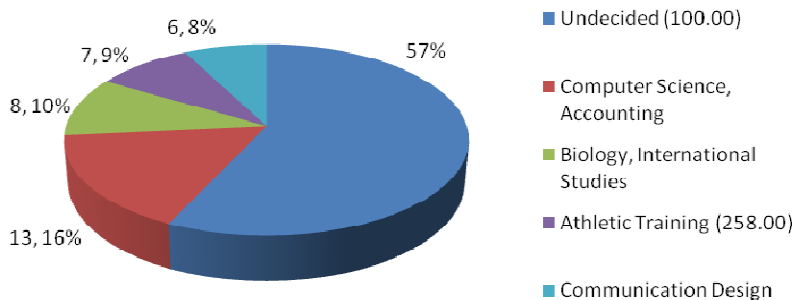
#	Major	Number of International Graduate Students
1	Computer Science (422.42)	49
2	Business Administration, Accounting (550.00,555.00)	15
3	Geo-Geographic Info Science (317.63)	10
4	Geo-Environmental Geography (317.61)	5
5	Computer Science (422.43,422.90)	4

Number of International Graduate Students – Fall 2005



#	Major	Number of International Undergraduate Students
1	Undecided (100.00)	45
2	Computer Science, Accounting	13
3	Biology, International Studies	8
4	Athletic Training (258.00)	7
5	Communication Design, Exercise & Sports Science, Management, Undecided Professional	6

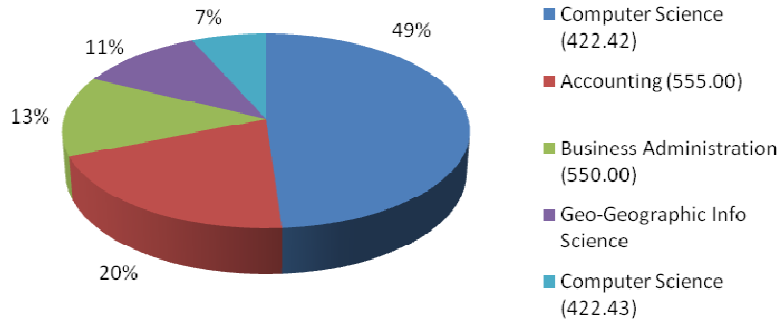
Number of International Undergraduate Students – Fall 2005



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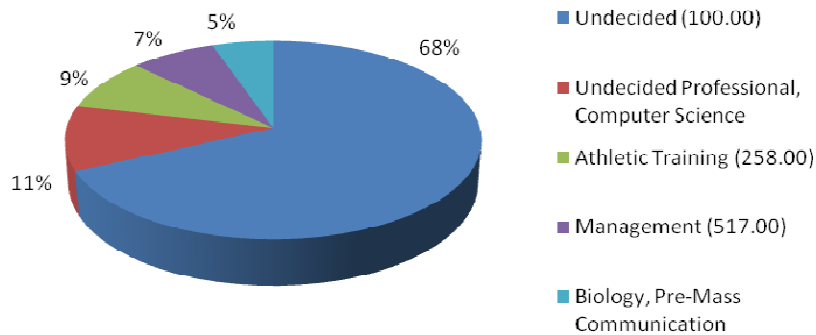
#	Major	Number of International Graduate Students
1	Computer Science (422.42)	44
2	Accounting (555.00)	18
3	Business Administration (550.00)	12
4	Geo-Geographic Info Science	10
5	Computer Science (422.43)	6

Number of International Graduate Students – Fall 2006



#	Major	Number of International Undergraduate Students
1	Undecided (100.00)	64
2	Undecided Professional, Computer Science	10
3	Athletic Training (258.00)	8
4	Management (517.00)	7
5	Biology, Pre-Mass Communication	5

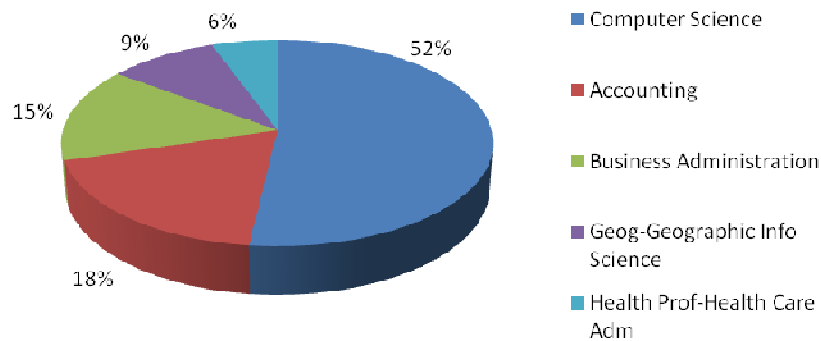
Number of International Undergraduate Students – Fall 2006



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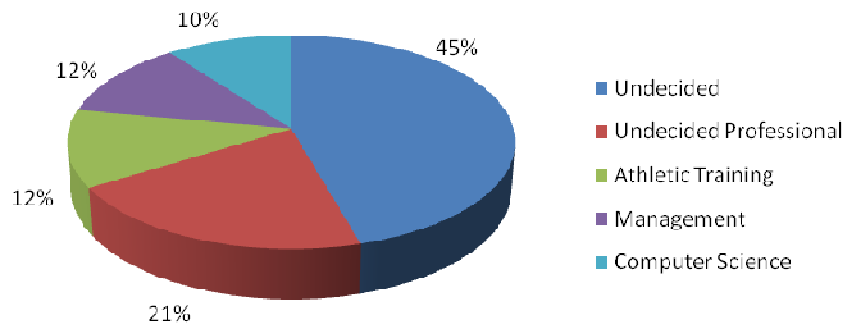
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1	Computer Science	56
2	Accounting	20
3	Business Administration	16
4	Geog-Geographic Info Science	10
5	Health Prof-Health Care Adm	6

Number of International Graduate Students – Fall 2007



#	Major	Number of International Undergraduate Students
1	Undecided	31
2	Undecided Professional	14
3	Athletic Training	8
4	Management	8
5	Computer Science	7

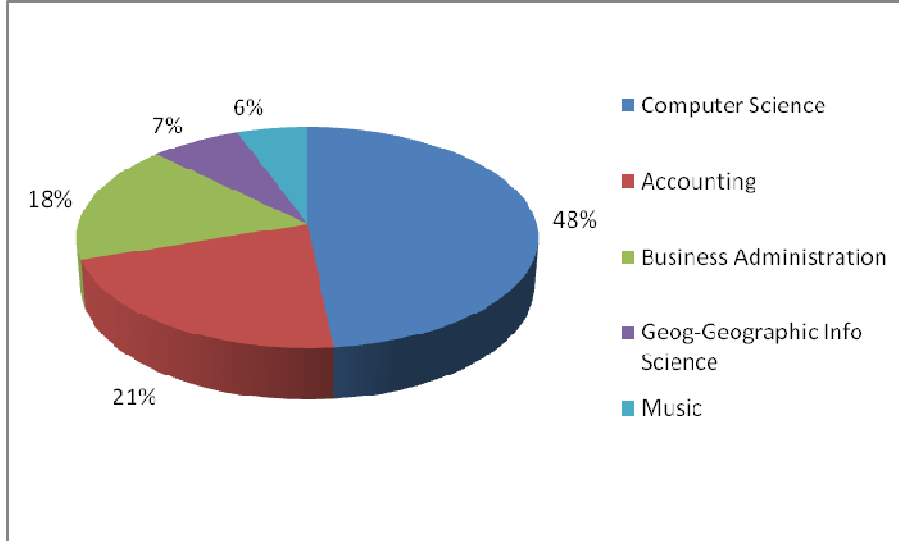
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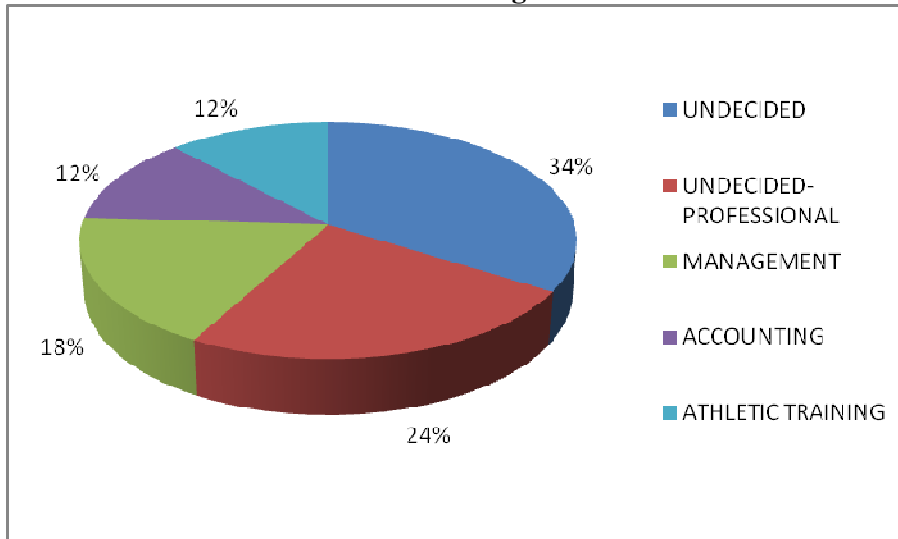
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1	Computer Science	61
2	Accounting	27
3	Business Administration	22
4	Geog-Geographic Info Science	9
5	Music	7

Number of International Graduate Students – Fall 2008



#	Major	Number of International Undergraduate Students
1	Undecided	17
2	Undecided Professional	12
3	Management	9
4	Accounting	6
5	Athletic Training	6

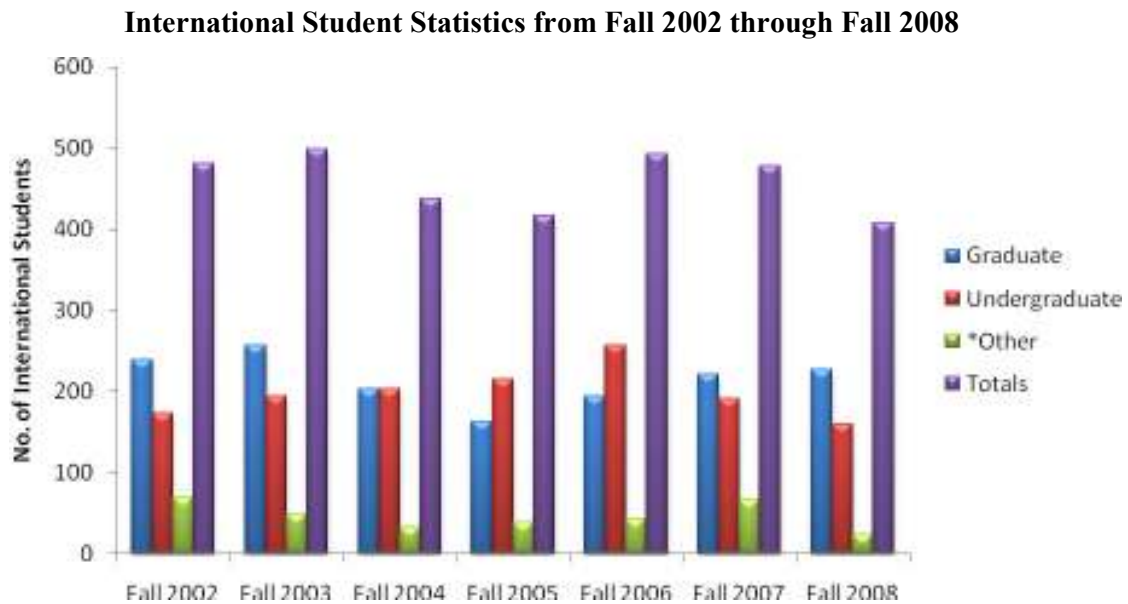
Number of International Undergraduate Students – Fall 2008



2.6 International Students statistics from Fall 2002 through Fall 2008

Semester	Graduate	Undergraduate	*Other	Totals
Fall 2002	238	173	69	480
Fall 2003	257	193	49	499
Fall 2004	202	202	33	437
Fall 2005	163	214	39	416
Fall 2006	193	257	43	493
Fall 2007	221	190	67	478
Fall 2008	226	159	24	409

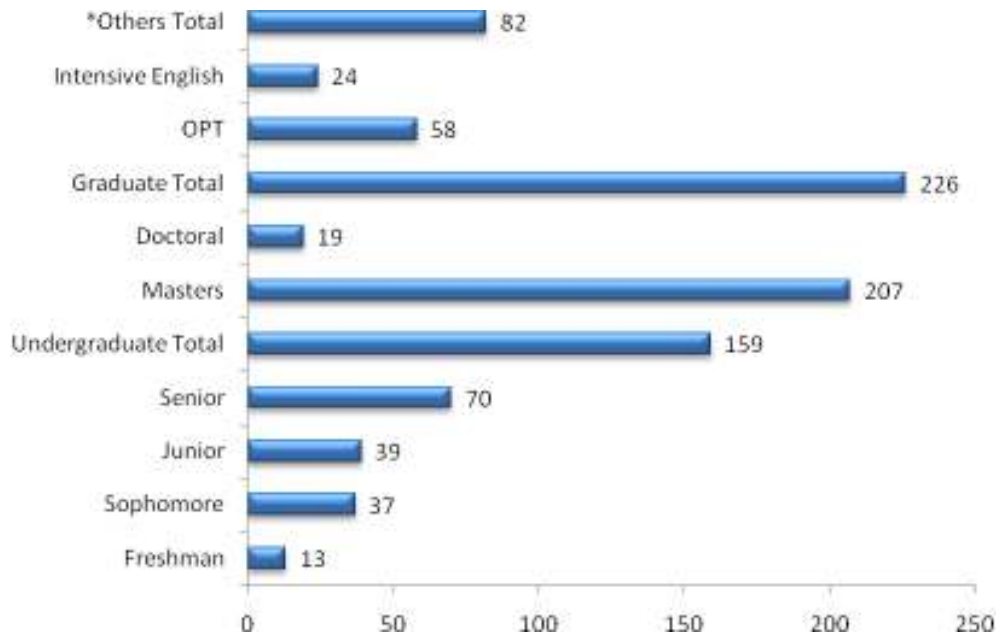
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* Years 2007 and 2008 include OPT students.

*Others include Intensive English students.

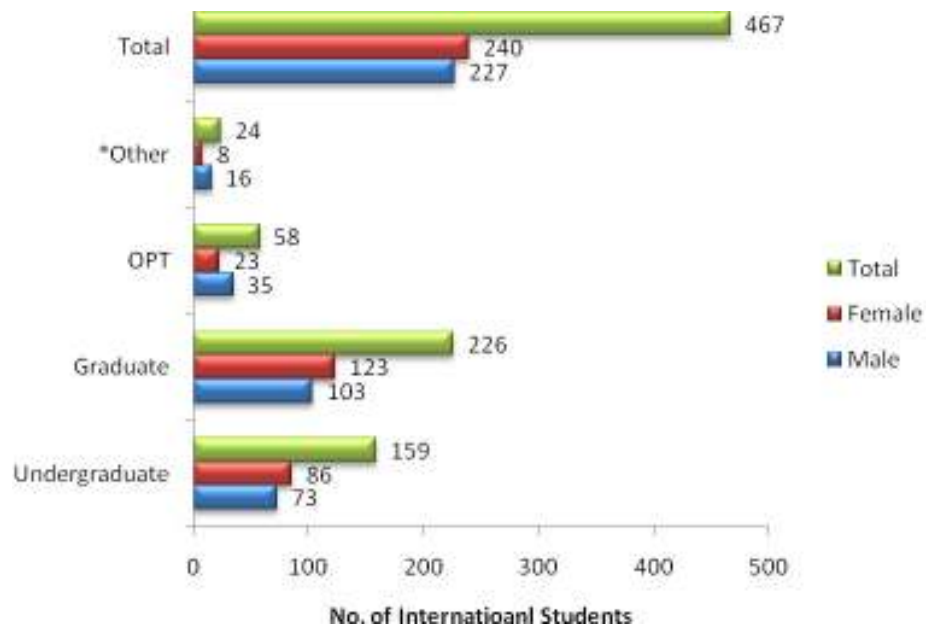
2.7 International Students statistics based on Academic Classification - Fall 2008



*Others include Post Graduate and Intensive English students.

International Students Academic Classifications	
Bachelors	
Number of students	
Freshman	13
Sophomore	37
Junior	39
Senior	70
Undergraduate Total	159
Graduate	
Number of students	
Masters	207
Doctoral	19
Graduate Total	226
Other	
Number of students	
OPT	58
Intensive English	24
Others Total	82

2.8 International Students Gender Breakdown – Fall 2008

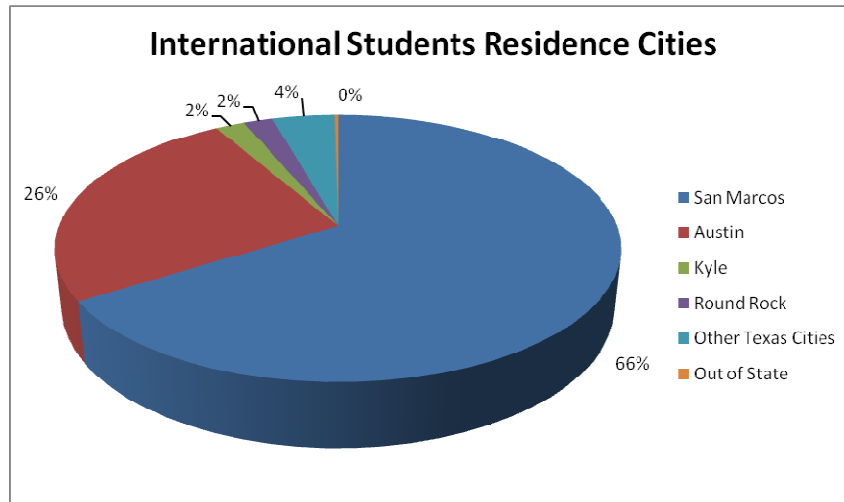


International Student Gender Breakdown – Fall 2008					
Gender	Undergraduate	Graduate	OPT	Other	Total
Male	73	103	35	16	227
Female	86	123	23	8	240
Total	159	226	58	24	467

*Others include Intensive English students.

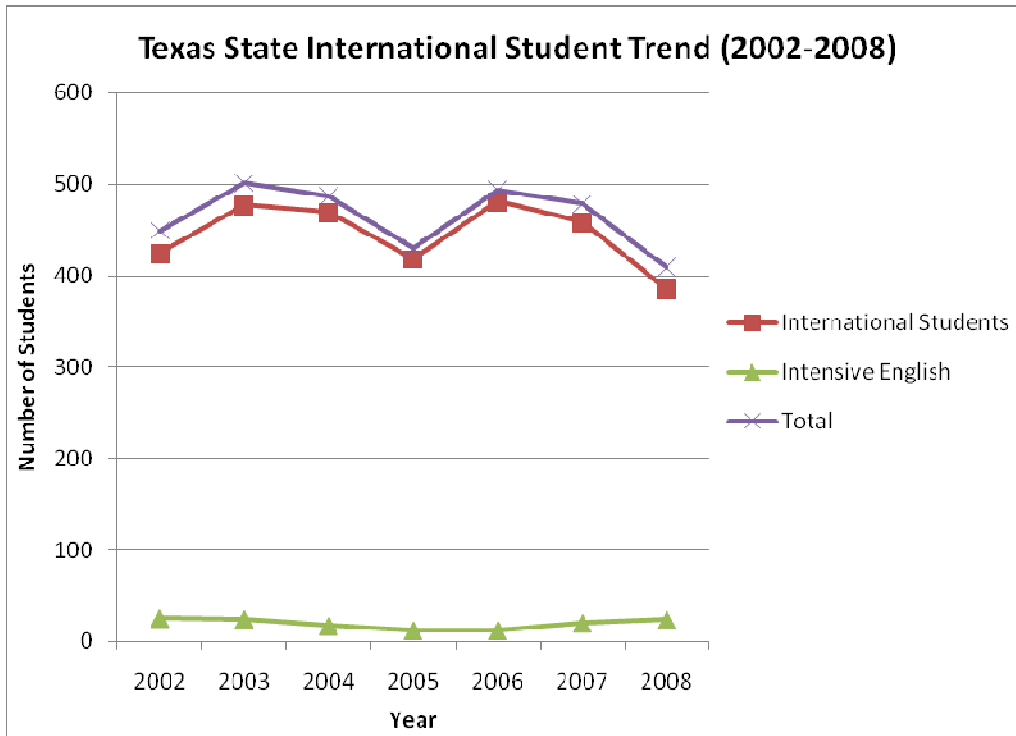
**Total includes OPT students

2.9 International Students Residence Statistics - Fall 2008



Residence City	Number of Students
San Marcos	271
Austin	104
Kyle	8
Round Rock	8
Other Texas Cities	17
Out of State	1
Total	409

2.10 Texas State International Student Trends: 2002 – 2008



Fall	International Students	*Intensive English (TSIE)	*Total	Comparison [%]
2002	424	25	449	
2003	477	24	501	+52[11.58%]
2004	469	17	486	-15[-2.99%]
2005	418	12	430	-56[-11.52%]
2006	481	12	493	+63[14.65%]
2007	431	20	451	-42[-8.51%]
2008	385	24	409	-42[-9.31%]

Totals for Intensive English vary between the first and second halves of each semester. Therefore, these numbers will vary depending on when data were obtained.