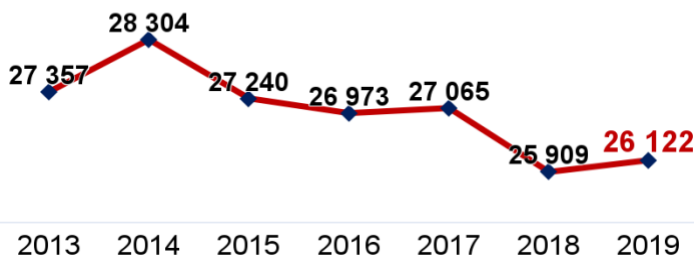




Canadian Students Studying in the U.S.



Source: 2019 Open Doors Report (published by IIE, funded by the U.S. Department of State)

Change in Students Studying in the U.S. from 2018 to 2019
0.8%

Change in U.S. Study Abroad Students from 2017 to 2018
9.0%

Source: 2019 Open Doors

Total Population

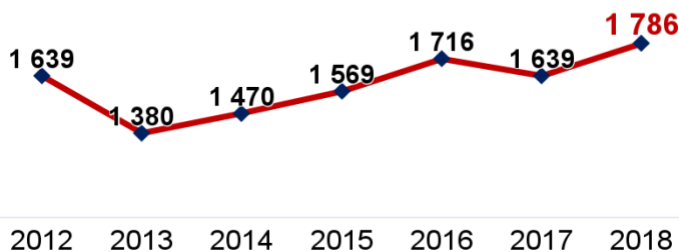
35,881,659

Population Aged 15-24

11.62%

Source: The World Fact Book

U.S. Study Abroad Students in Canada



Source: 2019 Open Doors Report (published by IIE, funded by the U.S. Department of State)

Top 5 Receiving States

New York
California
Massachusetts
Michigan
Pennsylvania

Source: 2019 Open Doors

Change in Student Visas Issued from 2017 to 2018

F 3.8%
J 0.4%
M 2.9%

*Based on fiscal year Oct 1 – Sept 30
Source: travel.state.gov

Students in U.S. by Academic Level

	%	Number	% Change (2018 to 2019)
Undergraduate	47.7%	12,470	-0.9%
Graduate	36.3%	9,471	-0.5%
Non-Degree	2.3%	588	0.3%
OPT	13.8%	3,593	11.4%

Students in U.S. by U.S. Institution Type

	%
Associate's (2-year) Colleges	3.6%
Baccalaureate (4-year) Colleges	6.0%
Doctorate-granting Universities	74.6%
Master's Colleges and Universities	10.4%
Special Focus Institutions	5.4%
Public Institutions	41.2%
Private Institutions	58.8%

HIGHLIGHTS:

Canada is the fifth largest sending country of international students to the U.S.

Opportunities for recruiting Canadian students:

- No language barrier
- Cultural similarities
- Popular options: specialized programs (health, business, law, fine arts), short-term graduate opportunities, institutional cooperation at technical education level, athletics

Canadian higher education institutions continue to think strategically about sustainable pathways for student mobility through institutional linkages. Consortium-like working groups are forming to support these efforts, such as the Ontario Academic Exchanges working group.

Francophone Canadian institutions are interested in strategic partnerships with community and technical colleges. In particular, the CEGEP system is dedicated to establishing more academic exchanges.

EducationUSA continues to engage the public actively through virtual platforms. Webinars, "spotlights," and a newsletter for students are great ways to promote educational opportunities for Canadians in the U.S.





- **Pre-high school (# of years):** 9 years generally except 10 years in Alberta. 8 years in Québec.
- **High school (# of years):** 4 years generally except 3 for Alberta. 5 years of "école secondaire" (high school), 2 years of CEGEP (general/vocational college). Students in Québec finish high school after Grade 11 and continue studies for two years at a collège d'enseignement général et professionnel (CEGEP). After CEGEP, Québec students may apply to university, for an additional 3 years of study.
- **Academic year calendar:** September - June
- **Recommended times for U.S. institution visits:** September - November, January, February, April, May

Secondary Education (high school)

- **Language of instruction:** Primarily English, some French schools (varies by province).
- **Years of mandatory English courses:** Varies, usually every year starting Grade 3.
- **Grading system and interpretation:** Out of 100, scale varies by province.
- **Subjects required:** Varies by province. In Québec: mathematics, second language, science and technology, history, arts education, ethics and religious culture, or physical education and health.
- **Graduation requirements:** Varies by province. In Québec: The pass mark for each course is 60%. A Secondary School Diploma is awarded to a student who earns at least 54 credits in Secondary IV (Grade 10) and Secondary V (Grade 11), at least 20 of which are in Secondary V or vocational training. In addition, the student must pass the following courses: Secondary V: language of instruction; Secondary IV: mathematics; Secondary V: second language; Secondary IV: science and technology or applied science and technology; Secondary IV: history and citizenship.
- **Name of diploma/certificate/degree conferred upon completion:** High school diploma.
- **Name of school leaving exams:** Varies by province. All provinces have leaving exams except Ontario, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia. In Québec: Ministerial Exams.
- **How to verify school leaving exams or diploma/certificate/degree:** Through provincial Ministry of Education
- **Standardized undergraduate admissions testing availability in-country and adviser recommendations:** Highly available in country, with availability to travel to USA if needed.
- **Standardized undergraduate admissions test mean scores (as of 2018):** TOEFL: 95. SAT: N/A. ACT: N/A.

Structure of University System

- **Years of study required to earn a bachelor's degree:** 4 years; 3 years (in Québec, with CEGEP).
- **Language of instruction in universities:** Primarily English, several French or bilingual universities. In Québec, primarily French, 2 English universities.
- **Years of required English instruction in universities:** Varies by university
- **Grading system and interpretation:** Varies by university
- **Degrees offered:** College diploma (like an AA), Bachelor's, Master's, PhD, professional degrees. In Québec: DEC (CEGEP diploma), Bachelor's, Master's, PhD, professional degrees.
- **Top fields of study/majors:** Unknown/ Not reported
- **Standardized graduate admissions testing availability / frequency offered in-country:** Available in major cities.
- **Standardized graduate admissions test mean scores (as of 2018):** TOEFL: 95 GMAT: 572. GRE: Verbal reasoning-155.7, Quantitative reasoning-154.9, Analytical Writing-4.3.
- **Study Abroad:** The U.S. is the top destination for Canadian students who study abroad. However, only 2.3% of undergrads study abroad annually. Canada is trying to expand these programs, funding available for U.S. travel through Killam Fellowship.

Educational Authorities and International Education Resources

- Universities Canada: <https://www.univcan.ca/>
- Council of Ministers of Education: <https://www.cmec.ca/en/>
- Killam Fellowship: killamfellowships.com
- Ministry of Education (Québec): <http://www.education.gouv.qc.ca/en/ministere-de-leducation-et-de-lenseignement-superieur/>
- CEGEP (Québec): <https://www.cegepsquebec.ca/en/>
- EducationUSA advising centers in Canada: 1 center in Ottawa at the Fulbright Commission

