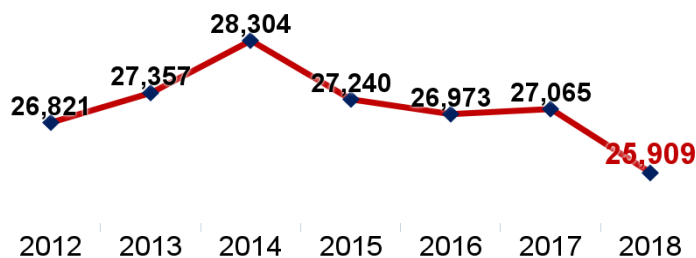


# Student Mobility Facts and Figures

## Canada



### Canadian Students Studying in the U.S.



Source: 2018 Open Doors Report (published by IIE, funded by the U.S. Department of State)

**Change in Students Studying in the U.S. from 2017 to 2018**  
**-4.3%**

**Change in U.S. Study Abroad Students from 2016 to 2017**  
**-4.5%**

Source: 2018 Open Doors

### Total Population

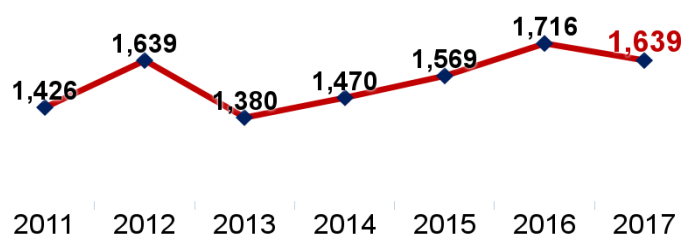
**35,623,680**

**Population Aged 15-24**

**11.85%**

Source: The World Fact Book

### U.S. Study Abroad Students in Canada



Source: 2018 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: 2018 Open Doors

### Change in Student Visas Issued from 2016 to 2017

**F -20.5%**  
**J -1.5%**  
**M 14.8%**

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

### Students in U.S. by Academic Level

	%	Number	% Change (2017 to 2018)
Undergraduate	48.6%	12,581	-4.6%
Graduate	36.7%	9,517	-5.9%
Non-Degree	2.3%	586	-5.8%
OPT	12.4%	3,225	2.7%

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

	%
Associate's (2-year) Colleges	4.1%
Baccalaureate (4-year) Colleges	6.8%
Doctorate-granting Universities	69.2%
Master's Colleges and Universities	14%
Special Focus Institutions	6%
Public Institutions	41.4%
Private Institutions	58.6%

### HIGHLIGHTS:

Canada is the 5th largest sending country of international students to the U.S.

Opportunities for recruiting Canadian students:

- No language barrier
- Cultural similarities
- Strong interest in:
  - \*Specialized programs: (health, business, law, fine arts)
  - \*Short-term graduate
  - \*Institutional cooperation at technical education level
  - \*Sports-oriented

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

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





- **Pre-high school (# of years):** 9 years (10 for Alberta)
- **High school (# of years):** 4 years (3 for Alberta)
- **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
- **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
- **Graduation requirements:** Varies by province
- **Name of diploma/certificate/degree conferred upon completion:**
- **Name of school leaving exams:** Varies by province. All provinces have leaving exams except Ontario, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia
- **How to verify school leaving exams or diploma/certificate/degree:** Through provincial Ministry of Education
- **Other credentials:** N/A
- **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 2017):** TOEFL: 95. SAT: N/A. ACT: N/A.

### Structure of University System

- **Years of study required to earn a bachelor's degree:** 4 years
- **Language of instruction in universities:** Primarily English, several French or bilingual 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
- **Top fields of study/majors:** Unknown/ Not reported
- **Standardized graduate admissions testing availability / frequency offered in-country:** Highly available in country in major cities
- **Standardized graduate admissions test mean scores (as of 2017)** GRE: Verbal reasoning-156, Quantitative reasoning-154.6, Analytical Writing-4.2. GMAT: 574. TOEFL: 95.
- **Study Abroad:** Highly available, 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: <http://www.fulbright.ca/programs/killam-fellowships.html>
- EducationUSA advising centers in Canada: Ottawa at the Fulbright Commission