Executive Summary

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Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to present you with this report on the international student community at the University of St. Thomas (UST). International Student Services assumes responsibility for serving our rapidly growing international community of students and scholars. We track, report, and provide services for over 400 enrolled and graduated international students.

This report serves as a statistical resource about our international students (including degree seeking, exchanges, and other non-immigrant visa holders). This report does not include international scholars who serve as researchers, faculty members, or short-term lecturers at UST nor does it include immigrants such as green card holders, asylees, or refugees.

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Regards,

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**Total International Population**

**Total international population at UST = 436** (4.2% of UST population; 44% increase since 2008)
- Undergraduate international students = 193 (3.0% of Undergrad UST population)
- Graduate, Professional & Law international students = 243 (6.2% of Grad UST population)

**New incoming degree-seeking international students for Fall 2013 = 111**
- New Undergraduate international students = 47 (-12.9% decrease since Fall 2012)
- New Graduate, Professional & Law international students = 64 (25.4% increase since Fall 2012)

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**International Growth at St. Thomas (2008-2013)**

Breakdown of International Students by Level

- Undergraduate, 193, 40%
- Professional, 9, 2%
- Law, 6, 1%
- Graduate, 228, 47%
- OPT*, 50, 10%

*Optional Practical Training (OPT) is a benefit for international students allowing them to work anywhere in the U.S. after completion of their studies.*
International Students by School/College

- Engineering, 179, 41%
- Business, 119, 27.3%
- Asia, 161, 37%
- Africa, 57, 13%
- Americas, 44, 10%
- Oceania, 2, 1%
- Europe, 32, 7%
- Unknown, 12, 3%
- Divinity, 9, 2.06%
- Law, 6, 1.3%
- Arts & Sciences, 49, 11.2%
- Education, Leadership & Counseling, 62, 14%
- Non-Degree, 11, 2.5%
- Social Work, 1, 0.02%

International Students by Regions of the World

- Middle East, 128, 29%
- Africa, 57, 13%
- Americas, 44, 10%
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## International Student Enrollment by Country/Region

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### Totals:
- Enrolled non-immigrant degree-seeking students: 425
- Enrolled non-immigrant non-degree-seeking students: 11
- Graduate international students: 243
- Undergraduate international students: 193
- New international students for Fall 2013: 111

### Did you know?
- International students make up approximately 4.2% of the overall UST student population.
- International students represent 59 countries.
- Saudi Arabia is the most represented country at UST.
**Top Five Most Represented Countries at St. Thomas (2011-2013)**

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**Demographics of International Students at the University of St. Thomas**

International Students by Immigration Status
- **F-1 Visa**, 372 students, 85.5%
- **J-1 Visa**, 16 students, 3.4%
- **Other Visas**, 48 students, 11.03%

*Other Visas: E2, FP, H1, H4, I, IO, JN, L1, R1 and UN.*

International Students by Gender
- **Male**, 61.6%
- **Female**, 38.3%

International Undergraduate Students by Class
- **Freshmen**, 49 students, 25.3%
- **Sophomore**, 65 students, 33.6%
- **Junior**, 43 students, 22.2%
- **Senior**, 36 students, 18.6%

Primary Sources of International Student Funding
- **UST Funds** 13.10%
- **Employment Funds** 0%
- **Other Funds** 86.9%

*Other Funds: Personal/Family Funds, Home University, Home Government, etc…*

**What do International Students Contribute to the U.S.?**


- UST has fifth highest number of international students in Minnesota’s higher education institutions.
- Minnesota is ranked 19th among all the states in the U.S. in numbers of international students with 13,232 students. This is a 3.9% increase from the previous year.
- International student expenditure in the state of Minnesota was $332.2M in 2012-2013.
- The leading places of origin for international students in the state of Minnesota are China, South Korea, India, Nepal, and Saudi Arabia.
- There were 819,644 international students who studied in the U.S. in 2012-2013.
- International students contributed almost $24 billion to the U.S. economy in 2012-2013.