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International Student & Scholar Services Annual Report

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This document is a snapshot of the international population during the fall semester unless otherwise indicated throughout the report.

Excluded from these statistics are those enrolled in programs that take place exclusively in the spring and/or summer, U.S. permanent residents, U.S. dual citizens, Babson employees, cross-registered students, or those enrolled in Executive Education or Babson Academy programs.

Letter from the Director

The Glavin Office of International Education's International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) team is committed to providing culturally sensitive and comprehensive advisory services of the highest quality to Babson's international students and scholars and their families. We educate and advise on ever-changing U.S. immigration regulations and provide outreach and support when events may affect our international population. As we do so, we are mindful of each student's unique experiences and complex identity (including but not limited to their nationality, heritage, faith, gender, sexual orientation, and socio-economic status).

As a snapshot in time for the fall semester, the ISSS annual report illustrates Babson's international population but does not capture all of the students/scholars with whom we work in a given year. Statistics not captured in this report include students only enrolled in the spring or summer semesters, Executive Education, Babson Academy programs or part-time graduate programs.

While this report also does not capture the 307 U.S. dual citizens or 119 U.S. Permanent Residents currently enrolled, we recognize that they bring additional perspectives that further enrich our campus community.

We welcomed more students in Fall 2021 than ever before and close to 60 additional students entered the U.S. after starting their programs from abroad after the pandemic-related mobility issues of the academic year 2020-2021. Through cross-campus collaboration along with U.S. travel and visa issuance improvements, we are thrilled that almost all of our returning and incoming students were able to return to campus to resume in-person classes.

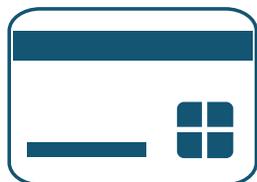
It continues to be a privilege to work with our diverse international population and with colleagues across campus who also strive to maintain Babson's commitment to creating a welcoming, affirming, and inclusive community for all students. I hope you find the report useful and welcome any comments or questions.



Elizabeth (Liz) Saumsiegle
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Glavin Office of International Education

International Student & Scholar Services (ISSS)

The Glavin Office's ISSS team is one of the first to engage with admitted international students, months before they set foot on campus to assist them through the U.S. student visa process. Upon arrival and throughout their program ISSS provides support and guidance around immigration regulations, employment authorization, and adjusting to living in the U.S. ISSS staff also advise recent alumni authorized for U.S. work authorization for up to three years post-graduation.



F/J Immigration



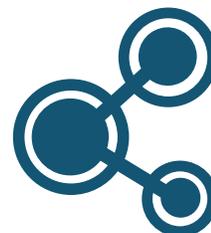
Living in U.S.



U.S. Employment
(CPT, OPT, AT)



Travel to the
U.S.



Cultural Adjustment
& Resources

Meet the ISSS Staff



Liz Saumsiegle
Director



Nikki Nicosia
Associate Director



Ikuko Konda
Senior Advisor



Megan Murray
Advisor

[Meet the full Glavin Office of International Education team >>](#)



Total international student enrollment for fall 2021 far exceeded fall 2020 levels and went up 7% from pre-pandemic fall 2019 numbers. In addition, Babson welcomed 4 graduate and 52 undergraduate international students who began their programs from outside the U.S. and finally arrived to campus this fall.



GLOBAL MOBILITY RETURNS

Global mobility increased in part due to U.S. travel restrictions determining that international students would be a national interest exemption along with the U.S. Department of State making significant strides to issue visas for the start of the semester.



NEW STUDENTS

191 new undergraduate international students and 282 new graduate international students started their programs in fall 2021.



GLOBAL SCHOLARS

Babson welcomed 9 new undergraduate students from Brazil, Egypt, India, Kenya, Liberia, Rwanda, & Ukraine as Babson Global Scholars, members of a need-based scholarship program launched in 2014.

BABSON IN CHINA

The Babson in China program ran for the third semester to provide academic continuity for our undergraduate students from the region. Eight students (4 incoming and 4 continuing) participated in the program Xi'an Jiatong-Liverpool University in Suzhou, China through a partnership with The Asia Institute.

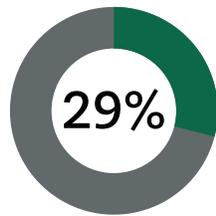




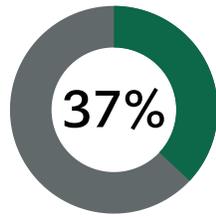
International Student Population



International Student Percentage

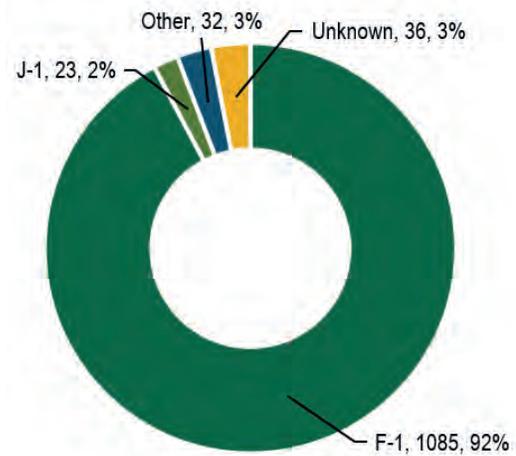


Undergraduate



Graduate

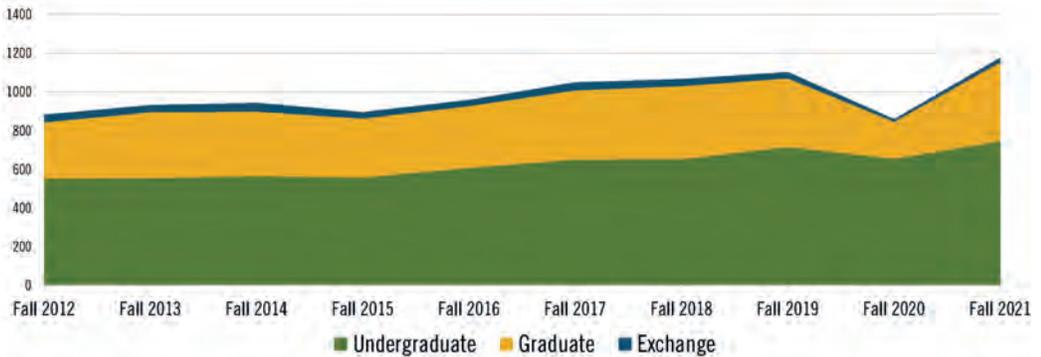
Visa Representation



22 international students (18 undergraduate and 4 graduate) from 14 partner institutions attended Babson on incoming exchange during the fall 2021 semester.



International Students 2012 - 2021



84

countries represented

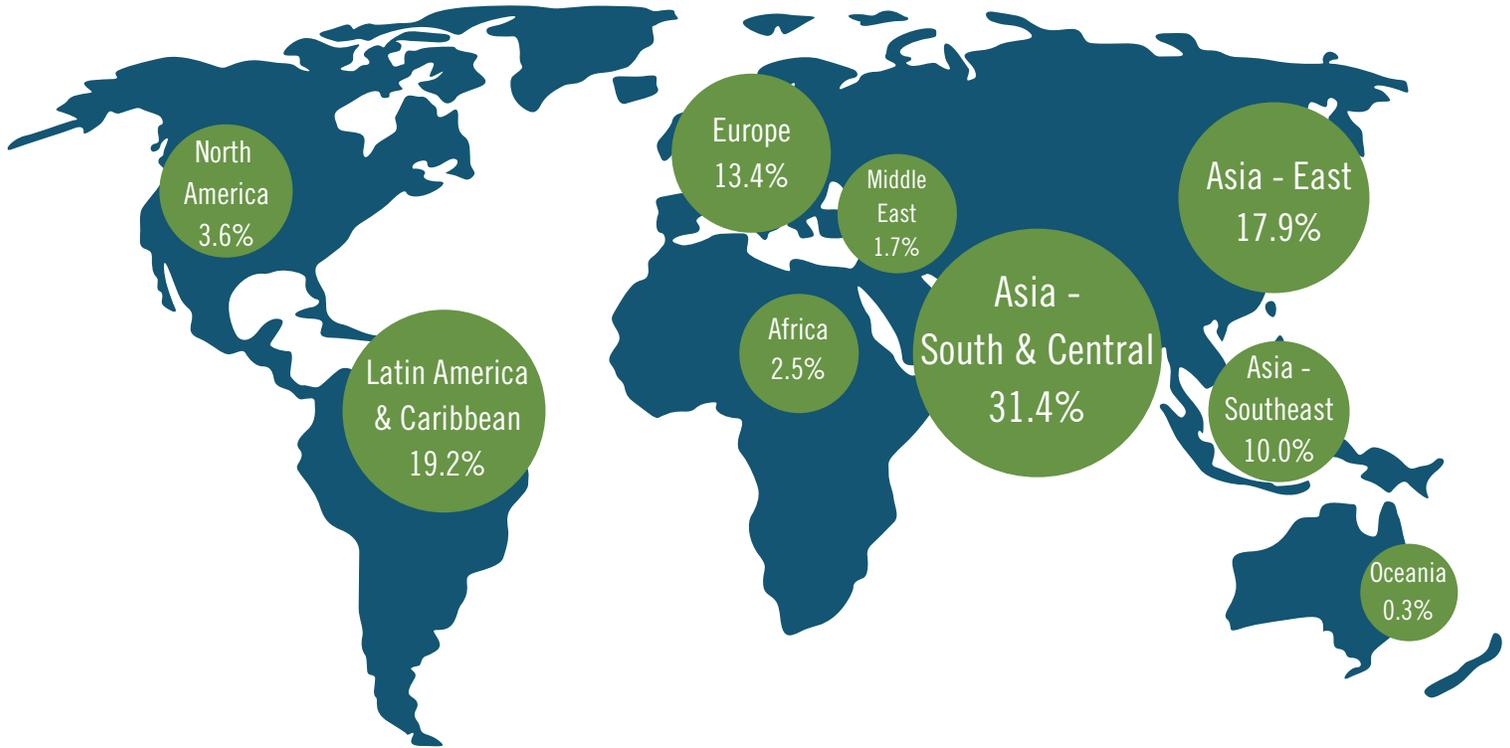


Increase in international enrollment over the past ten years

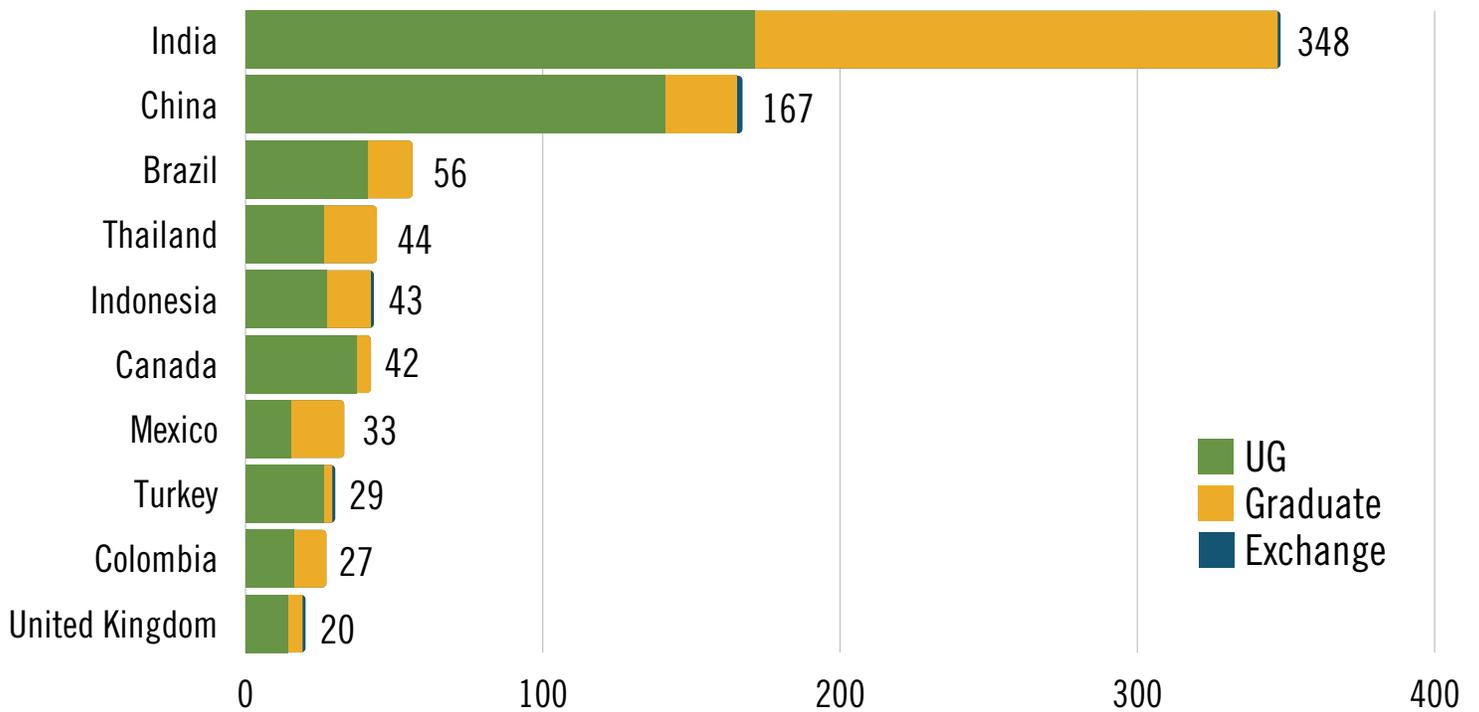


Increase in international enrollment between fall 2020 and fall 2021

Regional Diversity



Countries Most Represented



ONE YEAR MBA

58%

UNDERGRADUATE

29%

MS BUSINESS
ANALYTICS

64%

TWO YEAR MBA

75%

MS FINANCE

65%

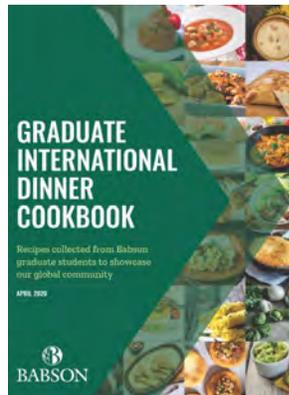
MS
ENTREPRENEURIAL
LEADERSHIP

70%

Glavin Office Events

The Glavin Office of International Education collaborates on a variety of events that support our international student population and/or bring together our global community, which include:

- International Tea
- Beyond Babson: U.S. Work Visas (Immigration Attorney Presentation)
- International Education Week
- Graduate International Dinner & Cookbook



Beyond Babson: U.S. Work Visas



Curricular Practical Training (CPT) - AY 20/21

CPT is temporary work authorization granted to F-1 international students to get practical training for a U.S. internship that is related to their degree as an “integral part of an established curriculum.” Students are eligible for CPT authorization after completing two semesters in F-1 status.

120

74 UG and 46 Grad students interned during the fall, winter, spring or summer semesters during Academic Year 2020-2021 under CPT

126

Number of unique companies

15%

Estimated percentage of F-1 international students from 2020-2021 who pursued at least one internship.



Note: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, CPT authorization statistics decreased in part due to reduced overall student enrollment, international students studying from outside the U.S., and/or available internship opportunities during the academic year 20-21.

OPTIONAL PRACTICAL TRAINING (OPT)

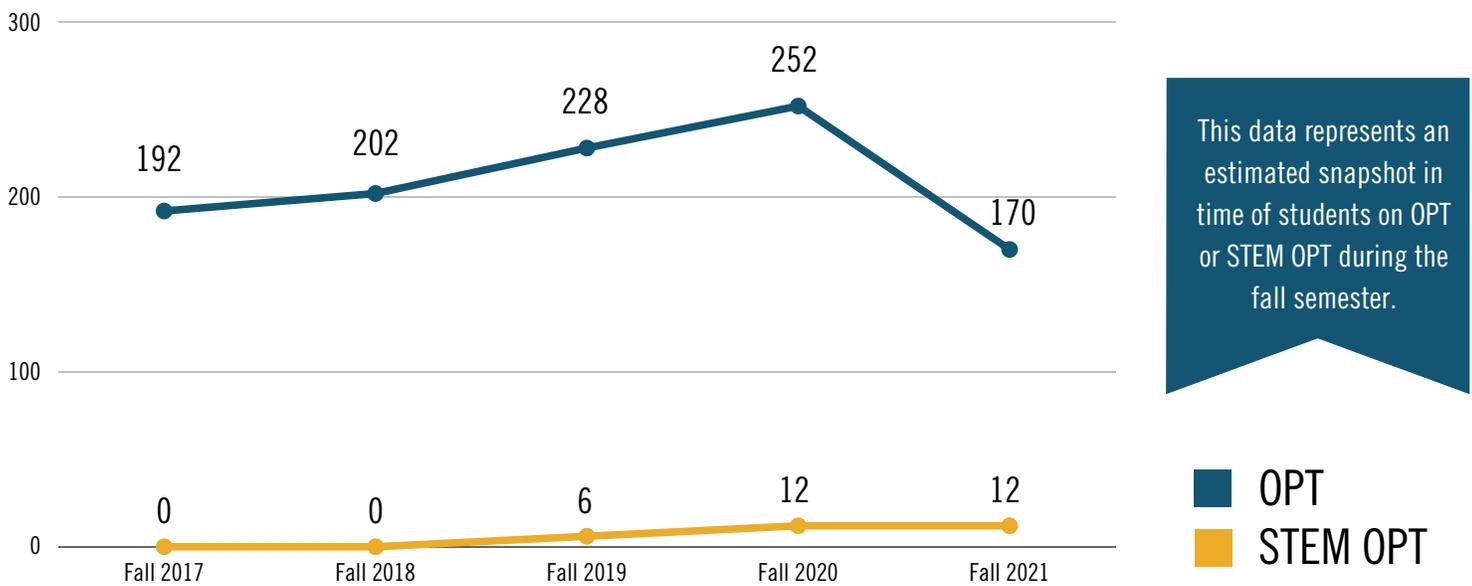
Optional Practical Training (OPT) is temporary employment authorization for F-1 international students related to their major area of study.

Post-Completion OPT is a period of OPT (typically 12 months) following a student's completion of their program.

STEM OPT is a 24-month extension of OPT for students who meet eligibility criteria pertaining to their job, employer and a degree in certain Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math (STEM) fields.

Four Babson graduate programs with have STEM designation.

Five Year Summary: Post-Completion OPT & STEM OPT



Spring 2021 Snapshot: Graduating Students

129 (68 UG, 61 Grad) May 2021 F-1 international students applied for Post-Completion OPT work authorization.


59%
of graduating F-1 international students

Note: The COVID-19 pandemic likely resulted in lower than normal numbers of students applying for OPT due to fewer students graduating or if students were not present in the U.S. in spring 2021 (making them ineligible to apply for OPT).

Fall 2021 - International Students By Region & Country

AFRICA									
Country	UG	Graduate						Exchange	Total
		1 Yr MBA	2 Yr MBA	MSEL	MSF	MSBA	Other*		
Cote d'Ivoire	1								1
Egypt	2								2
Kenya	3								3
Liberia	3						1		4
Morocco	5				1	1			7
Nigeria		1	3				1		5
Rwanda	3	1							4
South Africa	1								1
South Sudan	1								1
Zimbabwe		1							1
TOTAL	19	3	3	0	1	1	2	0	29

ASIA - EAST									
Country	UG	Graduate						Exchange	Total
		1 Yr MBA	2 Yr MBA	MSEL	MSF	MSBA	Other*		
China	141	1	2	5	4	5	7	2	167
Hong Kong	6					1			7
Japan	8		4				1	2	15
Korea, South	6		1				1		8
Macau	3								3
Mongolia	1								1
Taiwan	8		1						9
TOTAL	173	1	8	5	4	6	9	4	210

ASIA - SOUTH & CENTRAL									
Country	UG	Graduate						Exchange	Total
		1 Yr MBA	2 Yr MBA	MSEL	MSF	MSBA	Other*		
Bangladesh				1					1
India	171	13	80	33	22	12	16	1	348
Kazakhstan	4								4
Nepal	2								2
Pakistan	6	1	1	1	1	1	2		13
Sri Lanka	1								1
TOTAL	184	14	81	35	23	13	18	1	369

ASIA - SOUTHEAST									
Country	UG	Graduate						Exchange	Total
		1 Yr MBA	2 Yr MBA	MSEL	MSF	MSBA	Other*		
Burma	2								2
Cambodia	1						1		2
Indonesia	27		5	5	3	2		1	43
Malaysia	1				1				2
Philippines	3						1		4
Singapore	6		2		1	1	1		11
Thailand	26	5	8	2	2		1		44
Vietnam	7				1	1	1		10
TOTAL	73	5	15	7	8	4	5	1	118

EUROPE									
Country	UG	Graduate						Exchange	Total
		1 Yr MBA	2 Yr MBA	MSEL	MSF	MSBA	Other*		
Austria	1								1
Belgium	2			2					4
Bulgaria	3								3
Denmark	1			1					2
France	4				1		1	1	7
Georgia	2								2
Germany	2			1				3	6
Greece	4			2					6
Hungary				1			1		2
Ireland				1			1	2	4
Italy	7	1	2		1	2			13
Lithuania	1								1
Netherlands	2				1		1	1	5
North Macedonia	1								1
Norway	3			1					4
Poland	2								2
Portugal	4								4
Romania	1								1
Russia	3								3
Serbia							1		1
Slovakia	1								1
Slovenia	1		1						2
Spain	9	2	2					5	18
Switzerland	12							1	13
Turkey	26		1			1	1		29
Ukraine	3								3
United Kingdom	14			1	1	1	2	1	20
TOTAL	109	3	6	10	4	4	8	14	158

LATIN AMERICA & CARIBBEAN

Country	UG	Graduate						Exchange	Total
		1 Yr MBA	2 Yr MBA	MSEL	MSF	MSBA	Other*		
Argentina	3						2		5
Bermuda	1								1
Bolivia	2		1						3
Brazil	41	1	5				9		56
Chile	1	2	5				3	1	12
Colombia	16	3	3	1	1		3		27
Costa Rica	3		1				2		6
Dominican Republic	6			3					9
Ecuador	9	2	1						12
El Salvador	2					1	1		4
Guatemala	5		1	1			1		8
Honduras	4								4
Mexico	15	4	9			1	4		33
Nicaragua							1		1
Panama	15	1							16
Paraguay	2								2
Peru	6	3	3	1			3		16
Venezuela	7					3	1		11
TOTAL	138	16	29	6	1	5	30	1	226

MIDDLE EAST									
Country	UG	Graduate						Exchange	Total
		1 Yr MBA	2 Yr MBA	MSEL	MSF	MSBA	Other*		
Jordan	1							1	2
Kuwait	3		1	5					9
Lebanon						1			1
Oman	1								1
Saudi Arabia	4			1			1		6
United Arab Emirates			1						1
TOTAL	9	0	2	6	0	1	1	1	20

NORTH AMERICA									
Country	UG	Graduate						Exchange	Total
		1 Yr MBA	2 Yr MBA	MSEL	MSF	MSBA	Other*		
Canada	37		3	1			1		42
TOTAL	37	0	3	1	0	0	1	0	42

OCEANIA									
Country	UG	Graduate						Exchange	Total
		1 Yr MBA	2 Yr MBA	MSEL	MSF	MSBA	Other*		
Australia	4								4
TOTAL	4	0	4						

TOTAL INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS	746	42	147	70	41	34	74	22	1176
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