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Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to share this report on the university’s international student and scholar community. The Office of International Students & Scholars (OISS) tracks and provides resources for an international population of over 1,500. This report serves as a statistical resource about our international population. Lehigh’s international community includes degree seeking and non-degree seeking non-immigrant visa holders and exchange students. It also includes the international scholars on campus who serve as researchers, faculty members and short-term lecturers at the university. Our international population also includes dependents of our students and scholars. This report does not include immigrants such as green card holders, asylees or refugees.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at sad416@lehigh.edu

Sincerely,
Samba Dieng
Director, International Students and Scholars
THE OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS & SCHOLARS SUPPORTS OUR INTERNATIONAL POPULATION BY:

- Advising and supporting all international students & scholars on campus.
- Working with relevant government agencies on matters affecting our international community.
- Advocating in regards to immigration and cross-cultural/personal matters.
- Engaging and collaborating with university colleagues.
- Contributing to intercultural awareness via programming.

At Lehigh, we have a total international population of 1,555.
1,059 enrolled international students
470 undergraduates
589 graduates
269 new international students
124 undergraduates
137 graduates
8 exchange

Undergraduate Students
33.5% - Arts & Sciences
31% - Engineering
24% - Business
10% - Intercollegiate
1.5% - General College

Graduate Students
65.5% - Engineering
13.8% - Arts & Sciences
8.3% - Business
7.6% - Education
4.8% - Intercollegiate

Top Programs of Study:
Computer Science (30 students)
Computer Science & Business (26 students)
Industrial & Systems Engineering (25 students)

Top Programs of Study:
Mechanical Engineering (88 students)
Industrial & Systems Engineering (69 students)
Electrical Engineering (60 students)
5 Year Overview: International Enrollment

9% Increase in international undergraduate enrollment in the past 5 years.

17% Decrease in international graduate enrollment in the past 5 years.
Optional Practical Training (OPT) is a benefit for international students allowing them to work in the U.S. for one year or more in their field of study, after completion of their degree.

STEM OPT allows Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM) degree holders to apply for a 24-month extension of OPT.

We currently have 361 students on OPT or STEM OPT.

Increase in the number of students on OPT/STEM OPT from Fall '18 to Fall '19.

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International Student Citizenship

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1. Afghanistan
2. Azerbaijan
3. Bahrain
4. Bangladesh
5. Cambodia
6. China
7. Hong Kong
8. India
9. Indonesia
10. Iran
11. Iraq
12. Israel
13. Jordan
14. Kazakhstan
15. Kuwait
16. Kyrgyzstan
17. Lebanon
18. Macau
19. Malaysia
20. Nepal
21. Oman
22. Pakistan
23. Palestine
24. Philippines
25. Saudi Arabia
26. Singapore
27. South Korea
28. Sri Lanka
29. Taiwan
30. Thailand
31. Vietnam

**Africa**
1. Botswana
2. Egypt
3. Ethiopia
4. Ghana
5. Kenya
6. Lesotho
7. Malawi
8. Morocco
9. Nigeria
10. Rwanda
11. Sierra Leone
12. South Africa
13. Tanzania
14. Tunisia
15. Uganda
16. Zimbabwe

**Americas**
1. Argentina
2. Bahamas
3. Barbados
4. Brazil
5. Canada
6. Colombia
7. Costa Rica
8. El Salvador
9. Guatemala
10. Honduras
11. Jamaica
12. Mexico
13. Nicaragua
14. Panama
15. Peru
16. Venezuela

**Europe**
1. Armenia
2. Bosnia
3. France
4. Georgia
5. Germany
6. Greece
7. Italy
8. Macedonia
9. Montenegro
10. Netherlands
11. Poland
12. Portugal
13. Romania
14. Russia
15. Serbia
16. Slovakia
17. Slovenia
18. Spain
19. Turkey
20. Ukraine
21. United Kingdom
22. Uzbekistan

**Oceania**
1. Australia
2. New Zealand

87 countries represented
## Enrollment by Country

### Top Countries Represented:
- China (630), India (73), Iran (31)

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Lehigh University ranks #7 in the state of Pennsylvania for economic growth produced by international students.

Our students have *contributed:*

1,007 *jobs*

64.2 *million dollars*

to the Pennsylvania economy.

*NAFSA approximates*
Our 44 scholars include: visiting researchers & scientists, professors and student interns.

Fields of specialization:
- Bioengineering
- Biological sciences
- Chemical and biomolecular engineering
- Chemistry
- Civil engineering
- Electrical engineering
- Foreign languages & literature
- Industrial engineering
- Journalism
- Management (business)
- Materials science
- Mathematics
- Mechanical engineering
- Music
- Structural engineering

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*Scholars as of 9/17/19; scholars arrive throughout the year*
Our Staff

Samba Dieng
*Director*

Jeanne Ma
*Associate Director*

Olga Scarpero
*Assistant Director*

Sophie Goodfellow
*Advisor*

Caroline Neal
*Intercultural Programs Coordinator*

Winnie Gu
*Graduate Assistant*

Alex Gonzalez
*Graduate Assistant*

*Report pictures: Marco Calderon & Christa Neu*