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# University of Wisconsin - Madison

## Campus-Wide Study Abroad Report Academic Year 2008-09



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## Introduction

This report details UW-Madison study abroad participation for the Academic Year 2008-09 (Fall 08 through Summer 09), as reported in the Institute of International Education's *Open Doors 2008-9* institutional data report regarding international educational exchange (<http://opendoors.iienetwork.org/>). Tables and charts include U.S. students (citizens and permanent residents) enrolled for a degree at UW-Madison who received academic credit for their study abroad experience.

In this report, an "Administrative Unit" is the UW-Madison department, school, college, or other unit organizing the posting for coursework completed while abroad. Included in this report are the following administrative units: International Academic Programs (IAP), School of Business, College of Engineering, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, History Department, Law School, Division of International Studies, School of Education, and the French & Italian Department.

Students who did not study through an "Administrative Unit" either went on a program that was not sponsored by UW-Madison (and received academic credit through the Office of Undergraduate Admissions) or received academic credit through their departments for research, internships, or classes abroad.

## Summary

The number of UW-Madison students earning credit for study abroad in 2008-09 increased 0.6% from the previous year to 2230 students (See Table 1). A total of 262,416 U.S. students studied abroad in 2007-08 according to the Institute of International Education's *Open Doors 2006-07* – an 8.5% increase from the previous year. In *Open Doors 2007-8*, UW-Madison was ranked 6th among the leading research institutions by total number of study abroad students for the academic year 2007-08, following New York University (3,395), Michigan State University (2,969), University of Minnesota – Twin Cities (2,521), University of Texas – Austin (2,342), and University of California – Los Angeles (2,330).

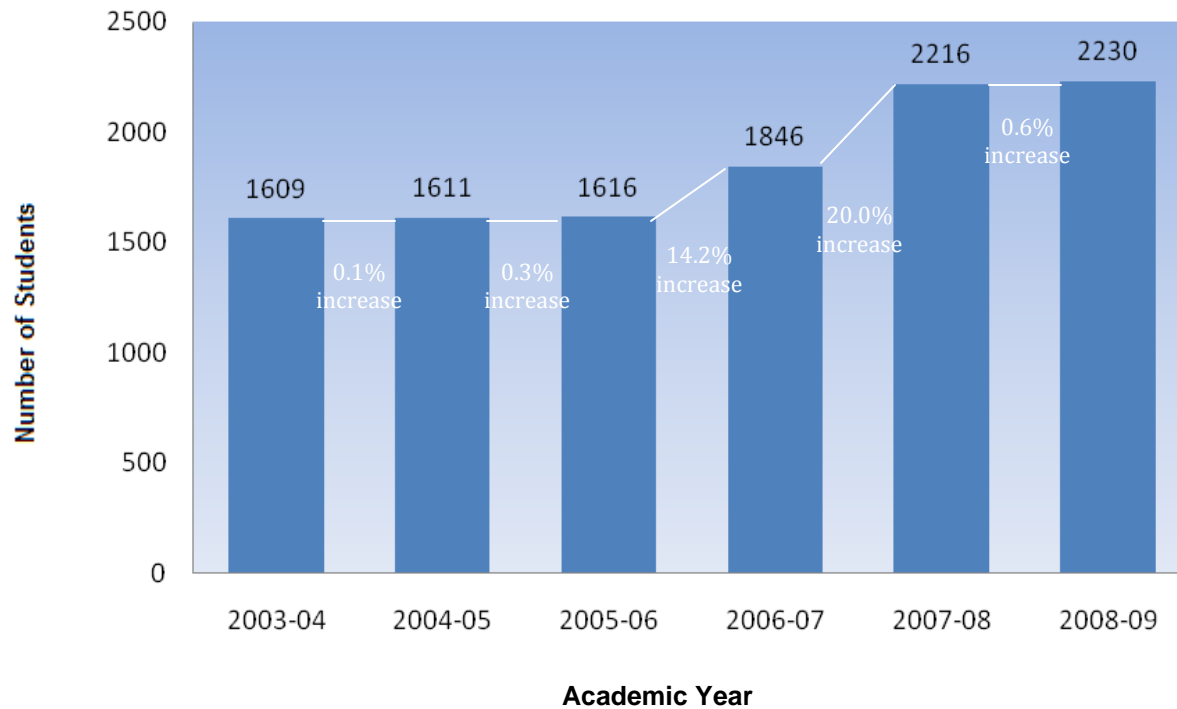
Of the 2230 students, 148 completed an internship for academic credit while abroad.

UW-Madison programs attracted a greater proportion of female (65.1%) to male (34.9%) participants compared with the UW-Madison campus proportion of 52.1% female to 47.9% male. However, the ratio was similar to data on all U.S. study abroad participants according to the latest Institute of International Education (IIE) figures as reported in *Open Doors 2007-08* (65.1% female to 34.9% male).

UW-Madison students received credit for study in 70 countries on seven continents. Consistent with national trends, Europe continues to be the most popular study abroad destination for UW-Madison students, accounting for 53.38% of all UW-Madison study abroad participants. Spain was once again the most popular destination, with a total of 266 students (a decrease of 5.0%). Italy maintained second place with 206 students (down 15.6% from the previous year). China stayed at third place with 191 students (a significant increase of 7.3%), followed by #4 France (159, down 2.5%), and #5 United Kingdom (down 1.23%). Other notable destinations in the top 20 were: #6 Australia (134, down 14.5%), #7 Czech Republic (79, up 64.6%), and #16 Chile (35, up 188.8%).

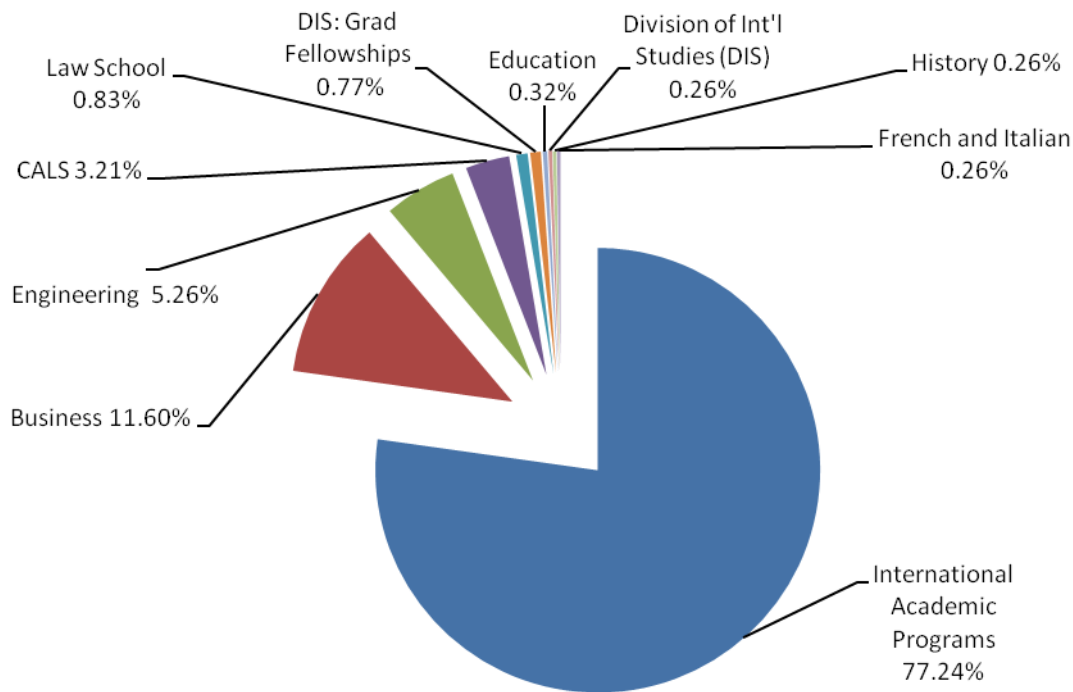
The percentage of UW-Madison students on year-long programs (7.7%) continues to be greater than the proportion of students nationally on year-long programs (4.2%), according to *Open Doors 2007-08*. Unlike many of the top ranking institutions that have high numbers of study abroad participants due to large enrollments in short term programs, the UW sends most students abroad for one or two full terms during the academic year. Campus wide, 62.0% of students abroad participated for one full term in 2008-09, compared to the 2007-08 national average of 43.7%. In *Open Doors 2007-08*, UW-Madison was ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> among research institutions in number of students on long-term (year) programs and 4<sup>th</sup> in number of students on mid-length (semester) programs.

**Table 1. UW-Madison Degree-Seeking Students Studying Abroad by Academic Year**



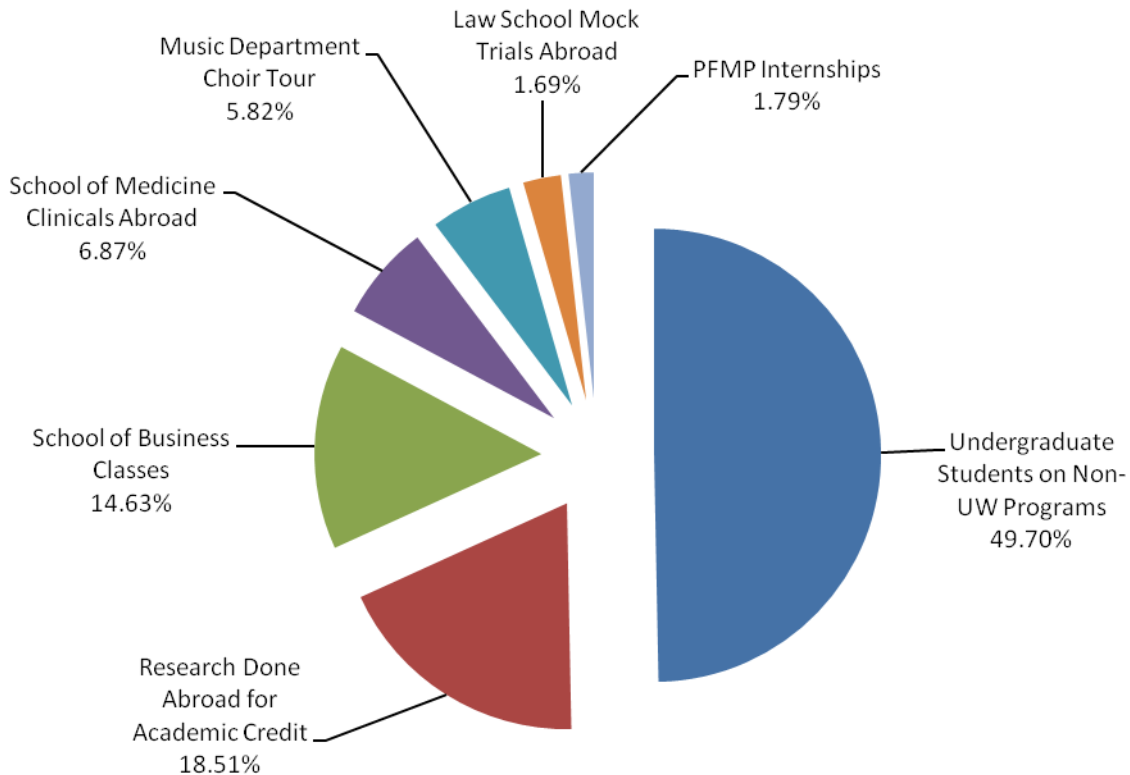
Data includes U.S. students (citizens and permanent residents) enrolled for a degree at UW-Madison who received academic credit for their study abroad experience.

**Table 2. UW-Madison Participants who Studied through a Study Abroad Administrative Unit**



<b>Administrative Unit</b>	<b>Participants</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
International Academic Programs	1205	79.12%
Business	181	11.56%
Engineering	82	4.98%
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences	50	2.17%
Law School	13	0.83%
Division of International Studies: Grad Fellowships	12	0.51%
Education	5	0.32%
Division of International Studies	4	0.26%
History	4	0.26%
French and Italian	4	0.26%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1560</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

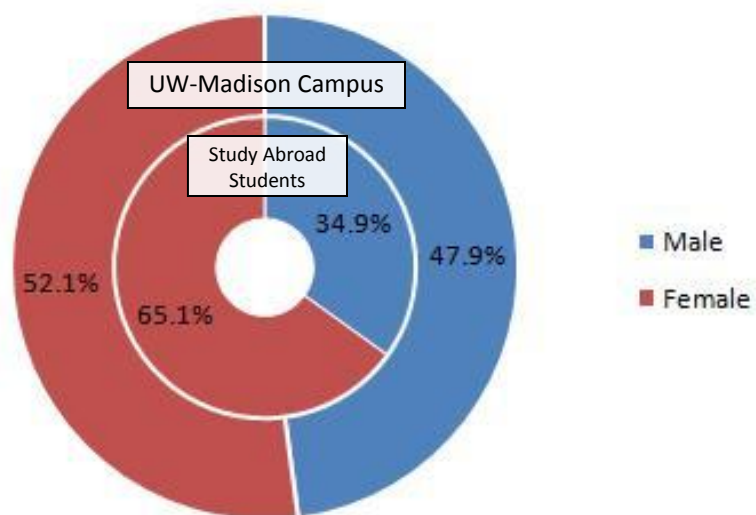
**Table 3. UW-Madison Participants who Studied Abroad Outside of a Study Abroad Administrative Unit**



Experience Abroad	Participants	Percentage
Undergraduate Students on Non-UW Programs receiving credit through Undergraduate Admissions	333	49.70%
Research Abroad for Academic Credit	124	18.51%
School of Business Classes	98	14.63%
School of Medicine Clinicals Abroad	46	6.87%
Music Department Choir Tour	39	5.82%
Law School Mock Trials Abroad	18	2.69%
Professional French Masters Program (PFMP) Internships	12	1.79%
<b>Total</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

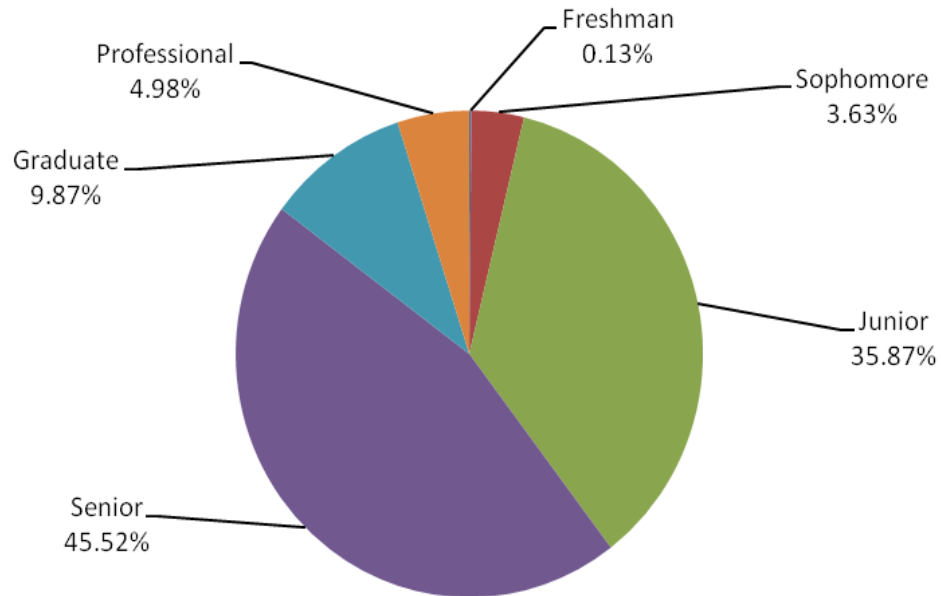
Students who did not study through an “Administrative Unit” either went on a program that was not sponsored by UW-Madison (and received academic credit through the Office of Undergraduate Admissions) or received academic credit through their departments for research, internships, or classes abroad.

**Table 4. Participation by Gender**



A greater proportion of female students (65.1%) studied abroad in 2008-09 compared with the UW-Madison campus proportion of 52.1% female to 47.9% male (*Source: UW-Madison Data Digest*). The study abroad ratio, however, is similar to national data on study abroad participants according to the latest IIE figures, as reported in *Open Doors 2007-08* (65.1% female to 34.9% male).

**Table 5. Participation by Academic Level**



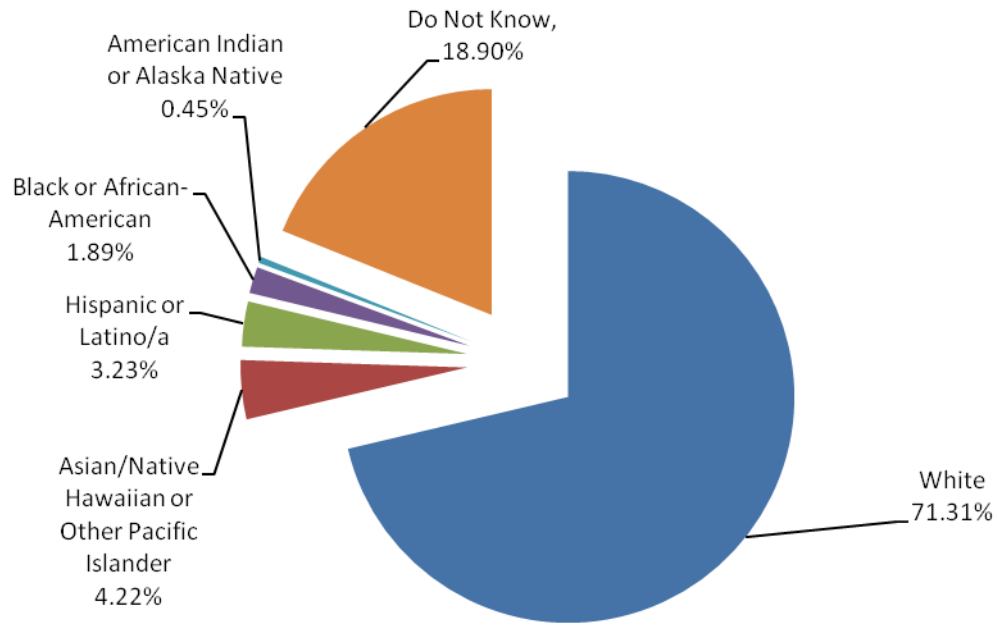
Academic Level	Participants	Percentage
Freshman	3	0.13%
Sophomore	81	3.63%
Junior	800	35.87%
Senior	1015	45.52%
Graduate	220	9.87%
Professional*	111	4.98%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2230</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

The greatest proportion of study abroad participants in 2008-09 were juniors and seniors. The designation of a student’s academic level is based on credits accrued prior to that term, so many students classified as seniors may have only be in their third year of study at the university.

\*Professional students consist of students in the Law School, School of Pharmacy, School of Medicine and Public Health, and School of Veterinary Medicine.



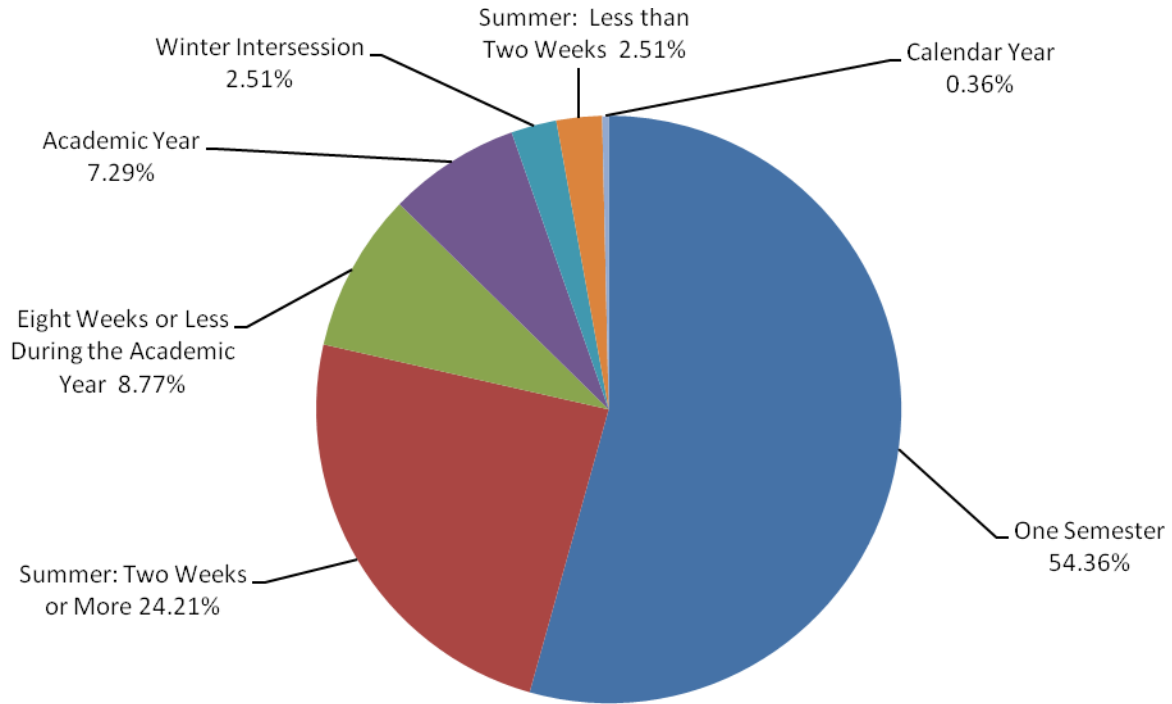
**Table 6. Participation by Race/Ethnicity**



<b>Race/Ethnicity*</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
White	71.31%
Asian/Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	4.22%
Hispanic or Latino/a	3.23%
Black or African-American	1.89%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.45%
Do Not Know	18.90%

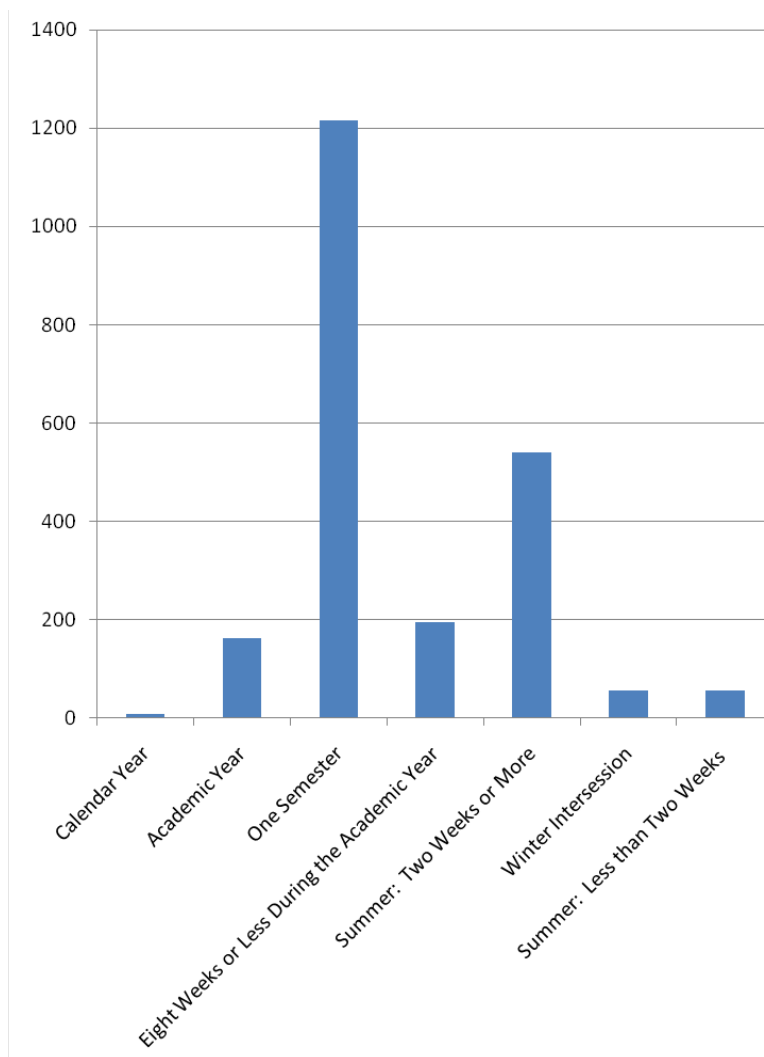
\* Ethnicity/Race categories as reported in Open Doors 2008/9

**Table 7. Participation by Program Duration – Percentage of Students**



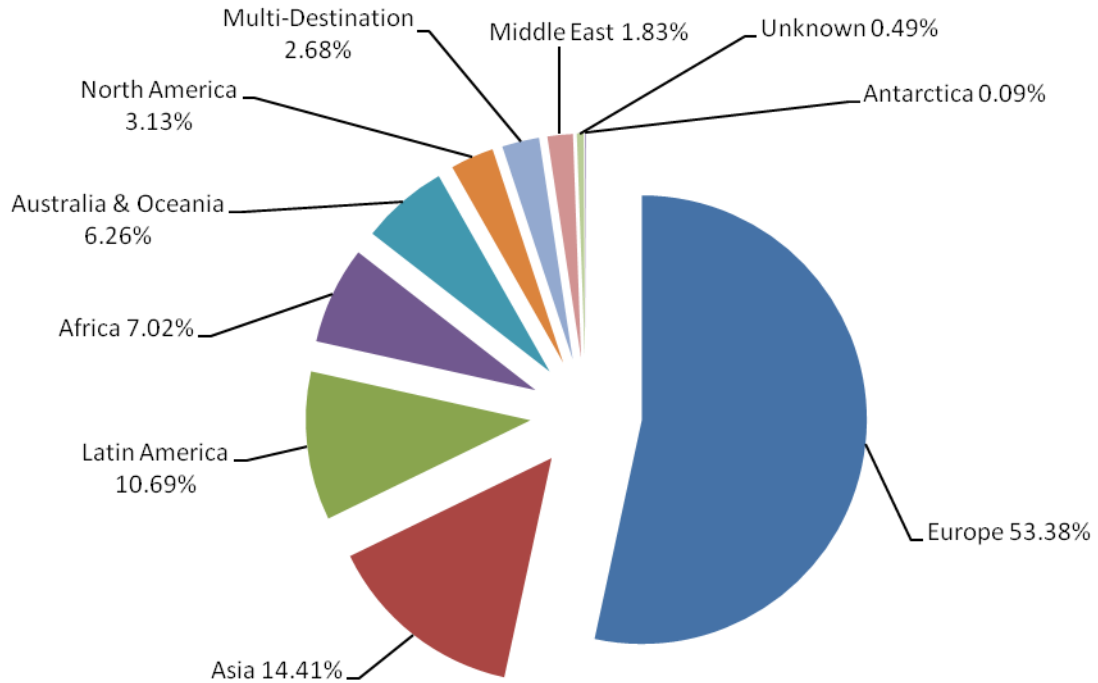
<b>Duration</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One Semester	54.36%
Summer: Two Weeks or More	24.21%
Eight Weeks or Less During the Academic Year	8.77%
Academic Year	7.29%
Winter Intersession	2.51%
Summer: Less than Two Weeks	2.51%
Calendar Year (2009 S. Hemisphere Programs)	0.36%

**Table 8. Participation by Program Duration – Number of Students**



<b>Duration</b>	<b>Students</b>
Calendar Year	8
Academic Year	163
One Semester	1215
Eight Weeks or Less During the Academic Year	196
Summer: Two Weeks or More	541
Winter Intersession	56
Summer: Less than Two Weeks	56
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2235</b>

**Table 9. Participation by Program Region**



Region	Percentage
Europe	53.38%
Asia	14.41%
Latin America	10.69%
Africa	7.02%
Australia & Oceania	6.26%
North America	3.13%
Middle East	1.83%
Antarctica	0.09%
Multi-Destination	2.68%
Unknown	0.49%

**Table 10. Participation by Country - Alphabetically**

Country	Participants
Antarctica	2
Argentina	46
Australia	134
Austria	17
Bangladesh	1
Belgium	23
Belize	24
Brazil	13
Canada	2
Chile	35
China	191
Costa Rica	16
Croatia	5
Cyprus	1
Czech Republic	79
Denmark	26
Dominican Republic	14
Ecuador	46
Egypt	16
Finland	3
France	159
Germany	72
Ghana	5
Greece	30
Grenada	1
Guatemala	4
Haiti	1
Honduras	2
Hong Kong	16
Hungary	13
India	24
Indonesia	1
Ireland	54
Israel	28
Italy	206
Japan	28
Kenya	38
Korea (South)	13

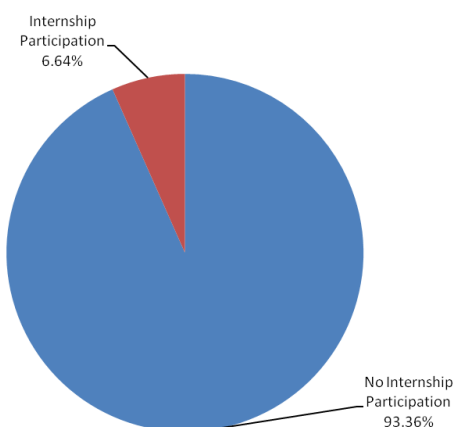
Country	Participants
Lebanon	1
Liberia	1
Madagascar	1
Mexico	67
Morocco	1
Namibia	2
Netherlands	20
New Zealand	6
Norway	19
Pakistan	2
Peru	21
Poland	2
Portugal	2
Russia	9
Senegal	6
Singapore	5
South Africa	49
Spain	266
Sweden	5
Switzerland	14
Taiwan	14
Thailand	26
Trinidad & Tobago	8
Turkey	7
Turks & Caicos Islands	1
Uganda	36
Ukraine	1
United Arab Emirates	10
United Kingdom	160
Venezuela	8
Vietnam	3
Zambia	2
UNKNOWN	11
MULTI-DESTINATION	60
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2235</b>

**Table 11. Participation by Country - Popularity**

Country	Participants
1. Spain	266
2. Italy	206
3. China	191
4. United Kingdom	160
5. France	159
6. Australia	134
7. Czech Republic	79
8. Germany	72
9. Mexico	67
10. Ireland	54
11. South Africa	49
12. Argentina	46
13. Ecuador	46
14. Kenya	38
15. Uganda	36
16. Chile	35
17. Greece	30
18. Israel	28
19. Japan	28
20. Denmark	26
21. Thailand	26
22. Belize	24
23. India	24
24. Belgium	23
25. Peru	21
26. Netherlands	20
27. Norway	19
28. Austria	17
29. Costa Rica	16
30. Egypt	16
31. Hong Kong	16
32. Dominican Republic	14
33. Switzerland	14
34. Taiwan	14
35. Brazil	13
36. Hungary	13
37. Korea (South)	13
38. United Arab Emirates	10

Country	Participants
39. Russia	9
40. Trinidad & Tobago	8
41. Venezuela	8
42. Turkey	7
43. New Zealand	6
44. Senegal	6
45. Croatia	5
46. Ghana	5
47. Singapore	5
48. Sweden	5
49. Guatemala	4
50. Finland	3
51. Vietnam	3
52. Antarctica	2
53. Canada	2
54. Honduras	2
55. Namibia	2
56. Pakistan	2
57. Poland	2
58. Portugal	2
59. Zambia	2
60. Bangladesh	1
61. Cyprus	1
62. Grenada	1
63. Haiti	1
64. Indonesia	1
65. Lebanon	1
66. Liberia	1
67. Madagascar	1
68. Morocco	1
69. Turks & Caicos Islands	1
70. Ukraine	1
MULTI-DESTINATION	60
UNKNOWN	11
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2235</b>

**Table 12. Count & Percentage of Academic Internship participation**



<b>Internship Participation?</b>	<b>Participants</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Yes	148*	6.64%
No	2082	93.36%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2230</b>	<b>100%</b>

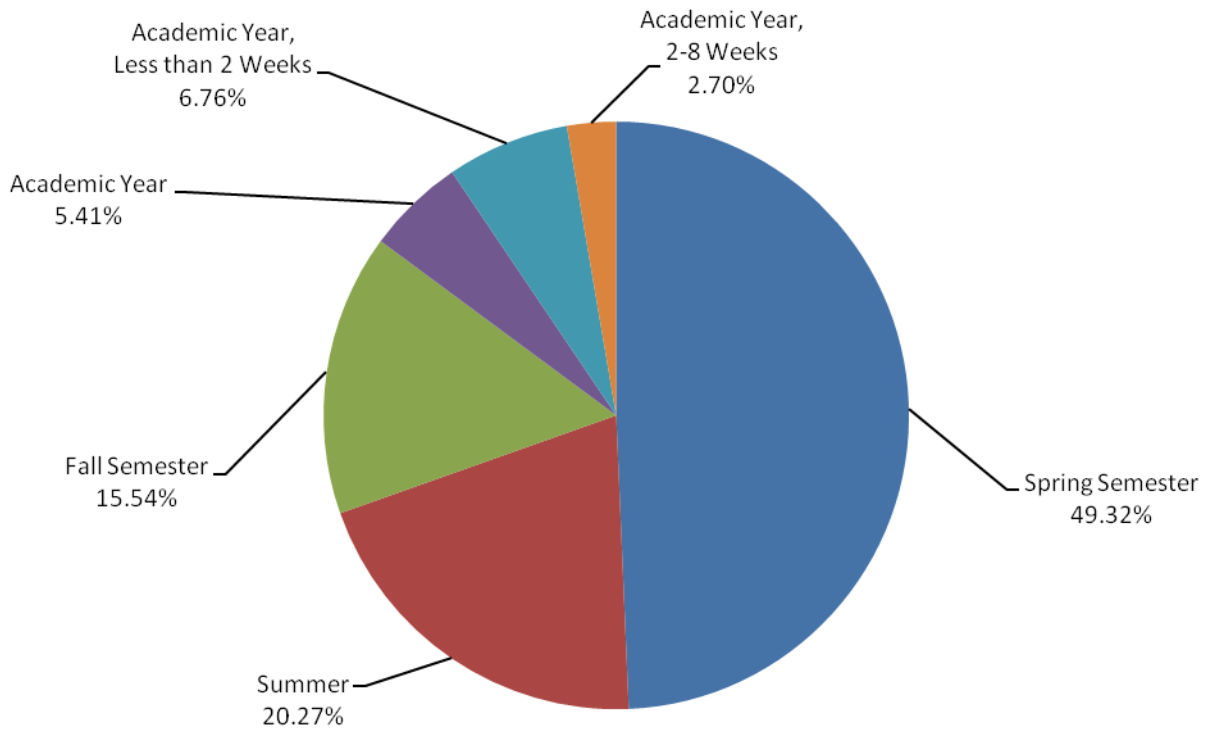
\* Internship participation data was voluntarily reported by UW academic department units.

**Table 13. Internship Participation by Country**

Australia	18
Belgium	5
Belize	1
Botswana	2
Canada	2
Denmark	1
Ecuador	23
France	5
Germany	3
Ghana	2
Grenada	1
Guatemala	2
Honduras	1
India	2

Israel	4
Italy	14
Kenya	21
Liberia	1
Mexico	3
Namibia	2
Spain	2
Thailand	5
Trinidad & Tobago	1
Uganda	6
United Kingdom	20
Zambia	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>148</b>

**Table 14. Internship Participation by Duration**



<b>Duration</b>	<b>Participants</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Spring Semester	73	49.32%
Summer	30	20.27%
Fall Semester	23	15.54%
Academic Year	8	5.41%
Academic Year, Less than 2 Weeks	10	6.76%
Academic Year, 2-8 Weeks	4	2.70%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>100.00%</b>