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# University of Wisconsin - Madison

## Campus-Wide Study Abroad Report Academic Year 2009-10



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## Introduction

This report details UW-Madison study abroad participation for the Academic Year 2009-10 (Fall 09 through Summer 10), as reported in the Institute of International Education's *Open Doors 2009-10* 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, 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

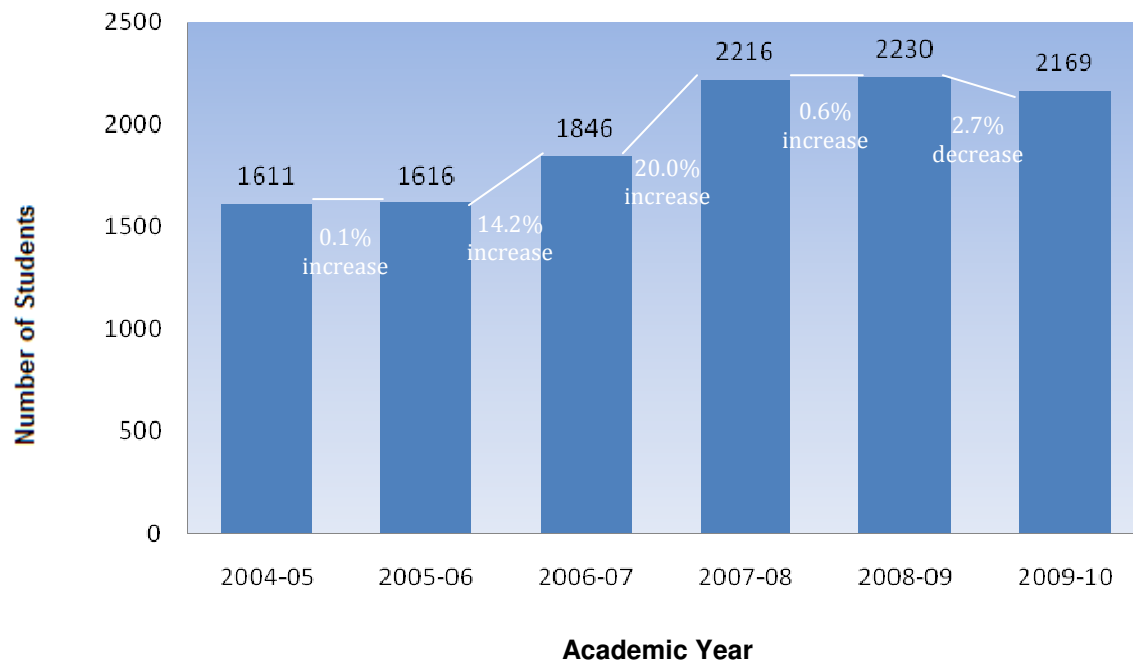
The number of UW-Madison students earning credit for study abroad in 2009-10 was 2,169 students, a decrease of 2.7% from the previous year to (See Table 1). This modest decrease mirrors a national trend in reduced study abroad participation. The Institute of International Education reported that in 2008-09, for the first time in the 25 years that they had been tracking data, the total number of U.S. students studying abroad for academic credit did not increase. A total of 260,327 U.S. students studied abroad in 2008-09 according to the Institute of International Education's *Open Doors 2008-09* – a 0.8% decrease from the previous year. In *Open Doors 2008-09*, UW-Madison was ranked 8th among the leading research institutions by total number of study abroad students for the academic year 2008-09, following New York University (3,524), Michigan State University (2,610), University of California – Los Angeles (2,371), University of Washington (2,349), University of Southern California (2,348), University of Minnesota – Twin Cities (2,347), and University of Texas – Austin (2,322).

UW-Madison programs attracted a greater proportion of female (62.7%) to male (37.3%) participants compared with the UW-Madison campus proportion of 51.8% female to 48.2% 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 2008-09* (64.2% female to 35.8% male).

UW-Madison students received credit for study in 72 countries on six continents. Consistent with national trends, Europe continues to be the most popular study abroad destination for UW-Madison students, accounting for 54.52% of all UW-Madison study abroad participants. Spain was once again the most popular destination, with a total of 283 students (an increase of 6.4%). Italy maintained second place with 199 students (down 3.4% from the previous year). The United Kingdom increased to third place with 175 students (an increase of 9.4%), followed by #4 France (160, up 0.6%), and #5 China (down 25.1%). Other notable destinations in the top 20 were: #8 India (84, up a significant 250%), #16 Costa Rica (31, up 93.75%), and #19 Brazil (29, up 190%).

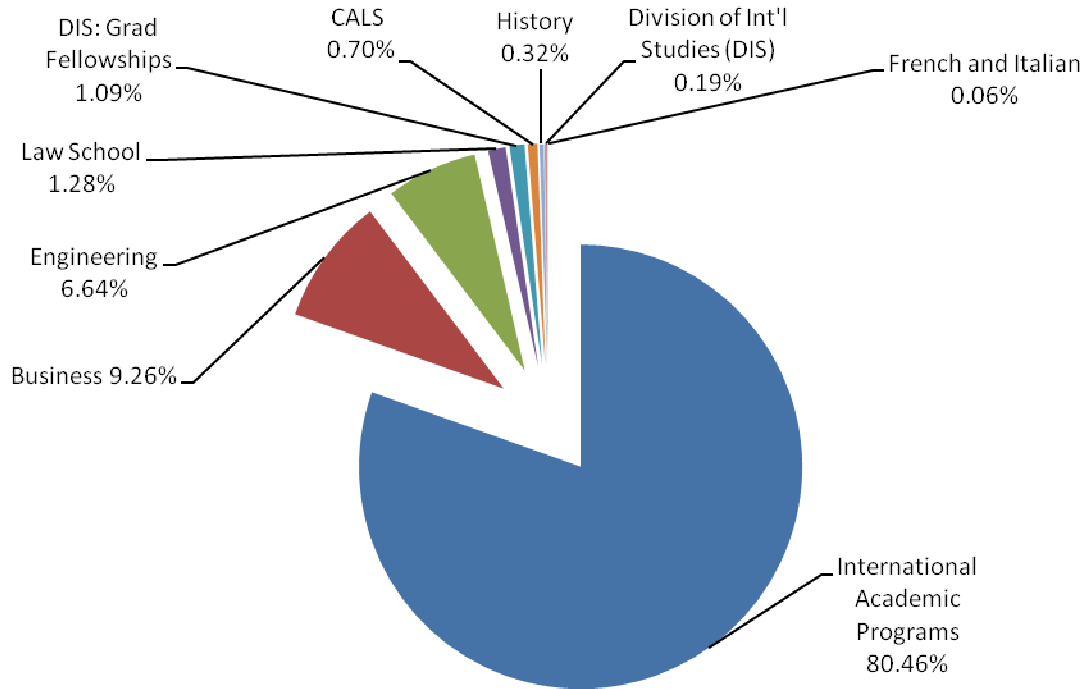
The percentage of UW-Madison students on year-long programs (7.7%) continues to be greater than the proportion of students nationally on year-long programs (4.3%) according to *Open Doors 2008-09*. Unlike many of the top ranking institutions that have high numbers of study abroad participants due to large enrollments in short term programs, UW-Madison sends most students abroad for one or two full terms during the academic year. Campus wide, 56.4% of students abroad participated for one full term in 2009-10, compared to the 2008-09 national average of 41.1%. In *Open Doors 2008-09*, UW-Madison was ranked 6<sup>th</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**



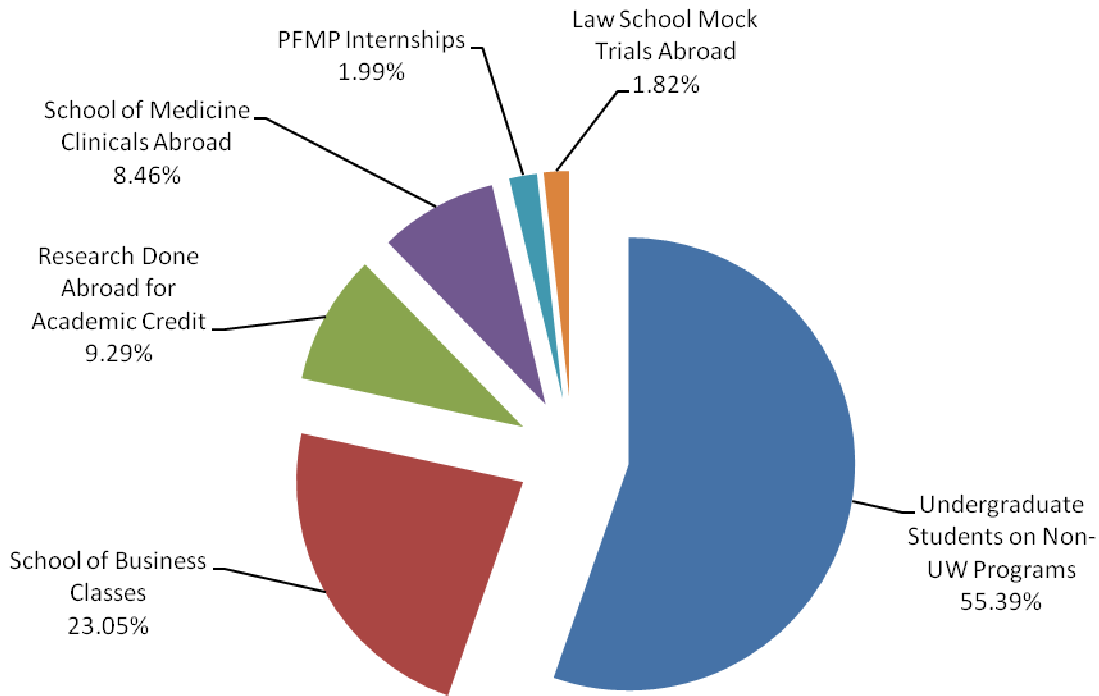
Data includes U.S. students (citizens and permanent residents) enrolled for a degree at UW-Madison who received academic credit for their study abroad experience.

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



Administrative Unit	Participants	Percentage
International Academic Programs	1260	80.46%
Business	145	9.26%
Engineering	104	6.64%
Law School	20	1.28%
Division of International Studies: Grad Fellowships	17	1.09%
College of Agricultural and Life Sciences	11	0.70%
History	5	0.32%
Division of International Studies	3	0.19%
French and Italian	1	0.06%
Education	0	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1566</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

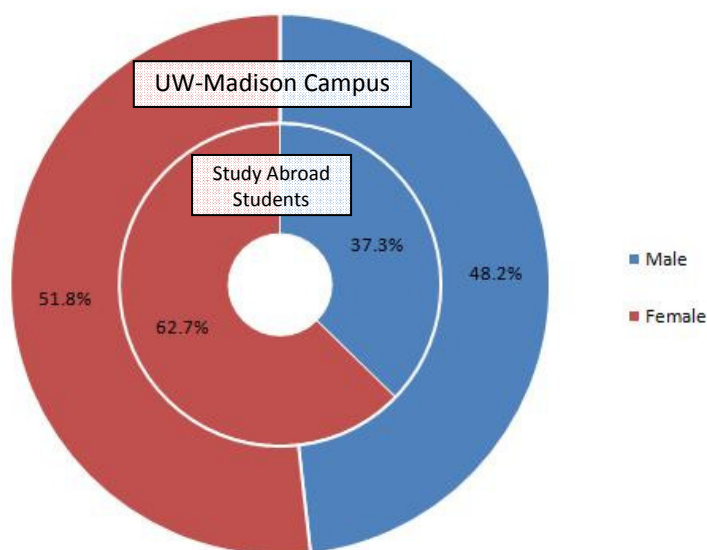
**Table 3. UW-Madison Participants who Studied Abroad Outside of a Study Abroad Administrative Unit**



Experience Abroad	Participants	Percentage
Undergraduate Students on Non-UW Programs receiving credit through Undergraduate Admissions	334	55.39%
School of Business Classes	139	23.05%
Research Abroad for Academic Credit	56	9.29%
School of Medicine Clinicals Abroad	51	8.46%
Professional French Masters Program (PFMP) Internships	12	1.99%
Law School Mock Trials Abroad	11	1.82%
<b>Total</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

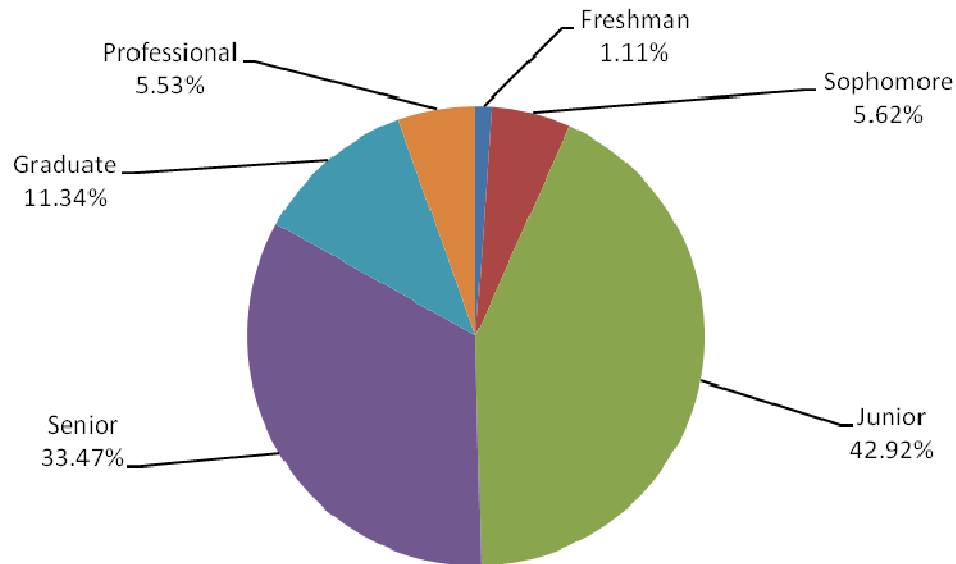
Students who did not study through an “Administrative Unit” either went on a program that was not sponsored by UW-Madison (and received academic credit through the Office of Undergraduate Admissions) or received academic credit through their departments for research, internships, or classes abroad.

**Table 4. Participation by Gender**



A greater proportion of female students (62.7%) studied abroad in 2009-10 compared with the UW-Madison campus proportion of 51.8% female to 48.2% 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 2008-09* (64.2% female to 35.8% male).

**Table 5. Participation by Academic Level**



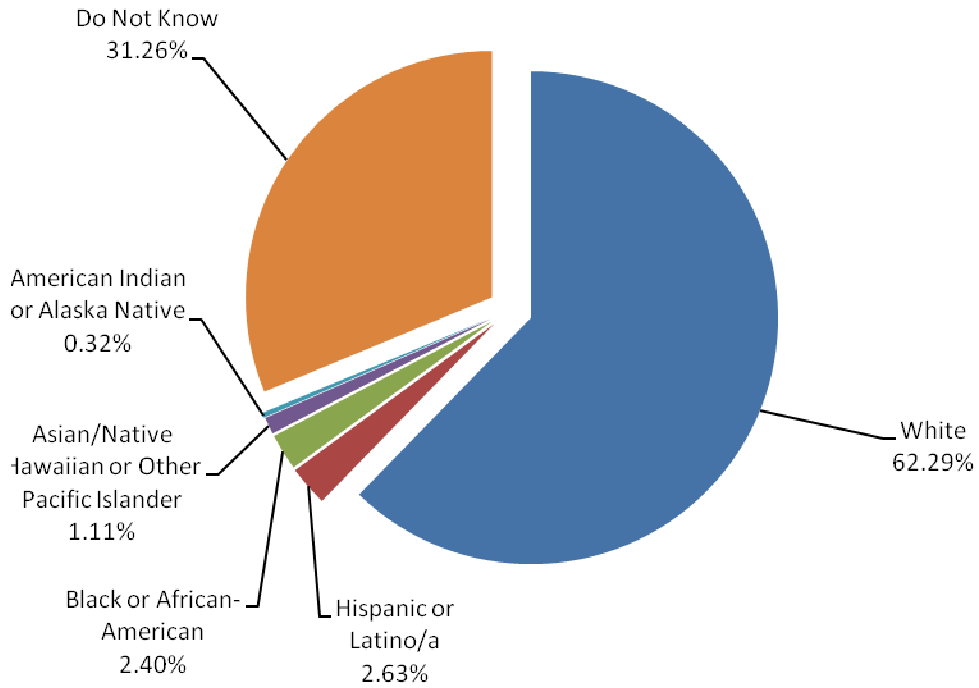
<b>Academic Level</b>	<b>Participants</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Freshman	24	1.11%
Sophomore	122	5.62%
Junior	931	42.92%
Senior	726	33.47%
Graduate	246	11.34%
Professional*	120	5.53%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2169</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

The greatest proportion of study abroad participants in 2009-10 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.



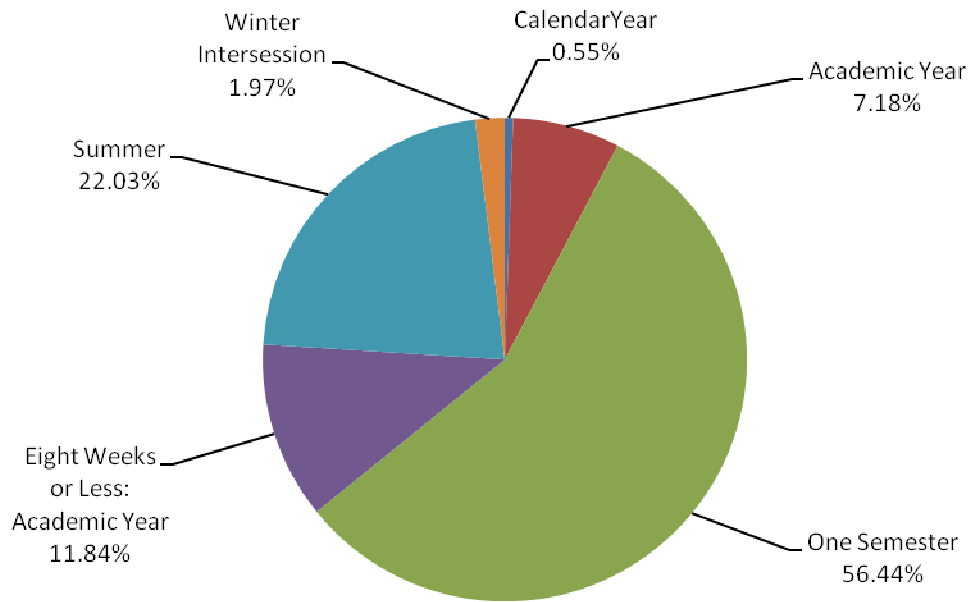
**Table 6. Participation by Race/Ethnicity**



<b>Race/Ethnicity*</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
White	62.29%
Hispanic or Latino/a	2.63%
Black or African-American	2.40%
Asian/Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1.11%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.32%
Do Not Know	31.26%

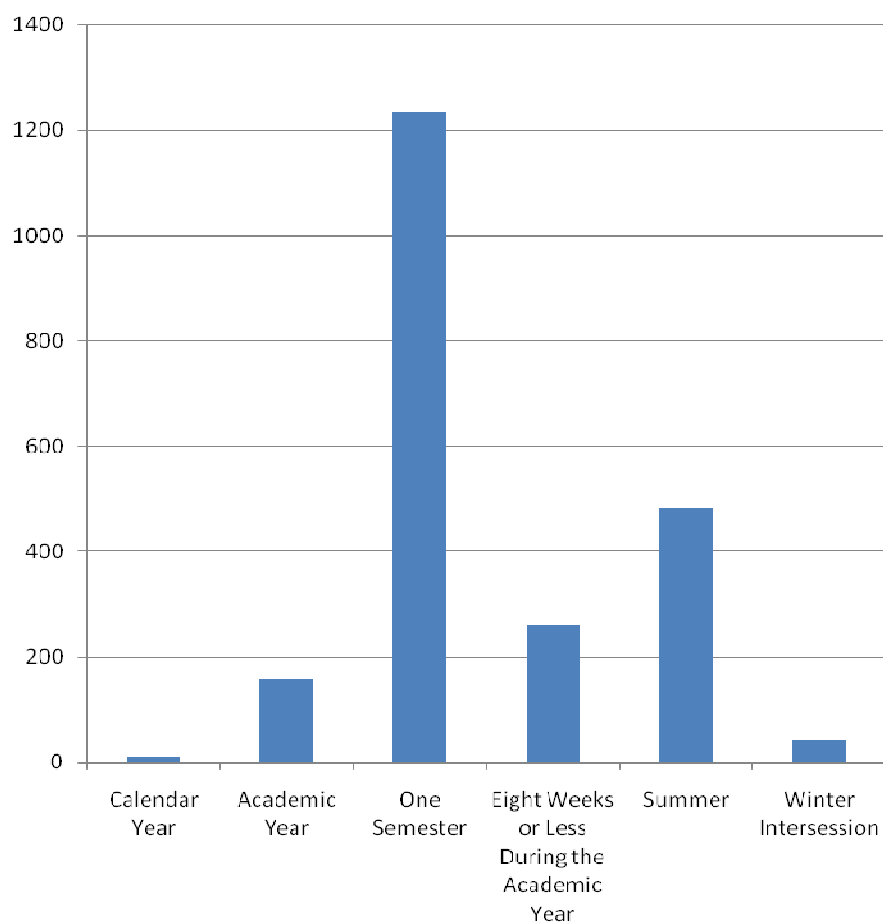
\* Ethnicity/Race categories as reported in Open Doors 2009/10

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



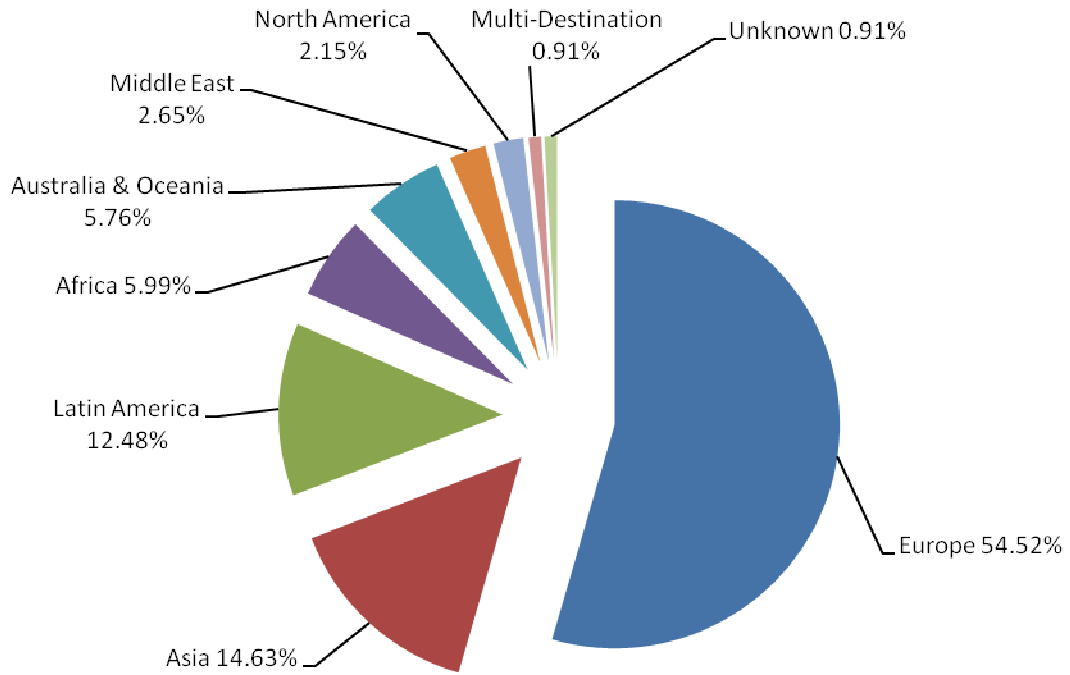
<b>Duration</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One Semester	56.44%
Summer	22.03%
Eight Weeks or Less During the Academic Year	11.84%
Academic Year	7.18%
Winter Intersession	1.97%
Calendar Year (2010 S. Hemisphere Programs)	0.55%

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



<b>Duration</b>	<b>Students</b>
Calendar Year	12
Academic Year	157
One Semester	1235
Eight Weeks or Less During the Academic Year	259
Summer	482
Winter Intersession	43
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2188</b>

**Table 9. Participation by Program Region**



Region	Percentage
Europe	54.52%
Asia	14.63%
Latin America	12.48%
Africa	5.99%
Australia & Oceania	5.76%
Middle East	2.65%
North America	2.15%
Multi-Destination	0.91%
Unknown	0.91%

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

<b>Country</b>	<b>Participants</b>
Argentina	53
Australia	115
Austria	11
Belgium	15
Belize	24
Bolivia	1
Botswana	3
Brazil	29
Canada	1
Chile	24
China	143
Congo	1
Costa Rica	31
Cyprus	3
Czech Republic	87
Denmark	30
Dominican Republic	7
Ecuador	41
Egypt	11
El Salvador	1
Ethiopia	5
Fiji	1
Finland	3
France	160
Germany	65
Ghana	9
Greece	20
Guatemala	3
Honduras	2
Hong Kong	10
Hungary	12
India	84
Indonesia	2
Ireland	58
Israel	34
Italy	199
Japan	13
Jordan	4

<b>Country</b>	<b>Participants</b>
Kenya	26
Korea (South)	10
Mali	1
Mexico	37
Morocco	5
Nepal	1
Netherlands	27
New Zealand	8
Nicaragua	1
Nigeria	1
Norway	13
Oman	4
Panama	12
Peru	31
Poland	5
Portugal	6
Russia	9
Senegal	5
Singapore	10
South Africa	63
Spain	283
Swaziland	1
Sweden	2
Switzerland	4
Taiwan	1
Tanzania	3
Thailand	24
Trinidad & Tobago	1
Turkey	3
Turks & Caicos Islands	9
Uganda	16
United Kingdom	175
Venezuela	12
Vietnam	24
UNKNOWN	20
MULTI-DESTINATION	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2188</b>

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

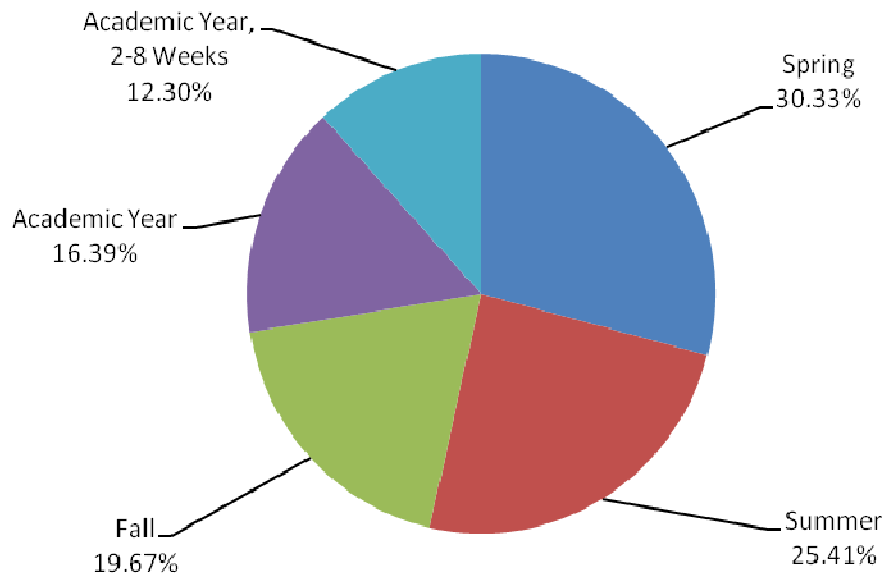
Country	Participants
1. Spain	283
2. Italy	199
3. United Kingdom	175
4. France	160
5. China	143
6. Australia	115
7. Czech Republic	87
8. India	84
9. Germany	65
10. South Africa	63
11. Ireland	58
12. Argentina	53
13. Ecuador	41
14. Mexico	37
15. Israel	34
16. Costa Rica	31
17. Peru	31
18. Denmark	30
19. Brazil	29
20. Netherlands	27
21. Kenya	26
22. Belize	24
23. Chile	24
24. Thailand	24
25. Vietnam	24
26. Greece	20
27. Uganda	16
28. Belgium	15
29. Japan	13
30. Norway	13
31. Hungary	12
32. Panama	12
33. Venezuela	12
34. Austria	11
35. Egypt	11
36. Hong Kong	10
37. Korea (South)	10
38. Singapore	10

Country	Participants
39. Ghana	9
40. Russia	9
41. Turks & Caicos Islands	9
42. New Zealand	8
43. Dominican Republic	7
44. Portugal	6
45. Ethiopia	5
46. Morocco	5
47. Poland	5
48. Senegal	5
49. Jordan	4
50. Oman	4
51. Switzerland	4
52. Botswana	3
53. Cyprus	3
54. Finland	3
55. Guatemala	3
56. Tanzania	3
57. Turkey	3
58. Honduras	2
59. Indonesia	2
60. Sweden	2
61. Bolivia	1
62. Canada	1
63. Congo	1
64. El Salvador	1
65. Fiji	1
66. Mali	1
67. Nepal	1
68. Nicaragua	1
69. Nigeria	1
70. Swaziland	1
71. Taiwan	1
72. Trinidad & Tobago	1
MULTI-DESTINATION	20
UNKNOWN	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2188</b>

**Table 12. Internship Participation by Country**

Australia	10
Belize	1
Botswana	3
Canada	1
Chile	1
Ecuador	10
France	9
Germany	3
Ghana	3
India	4
Ireland	5
Kenya	23
Morocco	1
New Zealand	4
Panama	12
Senegal	1
Switzerland	1
Thailand	1
Uganda	1
United Kingdom	26
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>122</b>

**Table 13. Internship Participation by Duration**



Duration	Participants	Percentage
Spring Semester	37	30.33%
Summer	31	25.41%
Fall Semester	24	19.67%
Academic Year	20	16.39%
Academic Year, 2-8 Weeks	15	12.30%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>100.00%</b>