

Employer Coffee Chat

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Today's topics:

- Intros
- Tufts Data & cultural clubs
- CPT/OPT/H1B sponsorship
- Discussion questions
- Q&A's

International Students by Leading Country Fall 2020

Note: Data reflects number of international students under Tufts University's F or J visa sponsorship, based on active F-1 or J-1 student SEVIS records on October 15, 2020

Countries Represented	A&S ¹	EN	GSAS ²	SOE (Grad)	Fletcher	Friedman SNSP	Dental	Medical & PHPD	Cummings -Vet.	GSBS	Exchange ³	OPT/AT ⁴	Total
China	107	21	78	125	11	32	4	7	4	5		123	517
India	46	9	15	22	20	1	1			3		66	183
Canada	25	2	2	2	1	1	9	1	6	2		8	59
Turkey	15	12	6	7	1							10	51
Korea, South	14	3	3	4	2	2	4					13	45
Saudi Arabia		1	3	2	1	2	30						39
Vietnam	12	7	3	6		1			1			6	36
Greece	9	1	3	3			2					9	27
Japan	7	2	3	3	6	1						3	25
Nepal	1	4	2	3	1					1		12	24
Nigeria	4	3		6	3	1						7	24
Brazil	8	1	1	2	3	2						6	23
Pakistan	3	2	3	6	2		1					5	22
Singapore	15	1			1	2						3	22
Taiwan	2	1	2				7					7	22

¹ Includes SMFA BFA students and five-year BFA+BA/BS students.

² Includes MFA and MAT (Art Education) students.

³ For Fall 2020, Tufts did not sponsor J-1 exchange students due to worldwide COVID-19 conditions.

⁴ F and J students on post-completion optional practical or academic training

****Total Number of international students at Tufts University: 2,032**

***Total Number of undergraduates: 718**

***Total Number of graduate students: 1,314**

Tufts Cultural Clubs

<https://tufts.presence.io/organizations>

There are 70 clubs on campus that identify as Culture and Identity Clubs. Here are a few examples:

- International Club
- Arab Student Association
- Association of Latin American Students
- Caribbean Student Organization
- Children of Cultures of Africa
- European Students' Association
- Persian Student Association
- South Asian Perspectives and Conversation



Did you know?

In 2020/21, there were **203,885** international students enrolled in OPT.

CPT: Curricular Practical Training gives F-1 international students authorization for training and paid or unpaid internships during their studies. Students have a chance to work full-time (more than 20 hours per week) or part-time (20 hours or less per week) depending on program options and requirements.

OPT and STEM Extension OPT: Optional Practical Training (OPT) is temporary employment that is directly related to an F-1 student's major area of study. Up to 12 months of eligibility available either pre-completion or post-completion. Certain students with US STEM degrees may qualify for 24-month extensions of their post-completion OPT with STEM-related job offers from E-verify employers.





Beyond Student Status?

H1B: The H-1B visa is a non-immigrant visa that allows individuals from all over the world work in the United States for a sponsoring employer. This visa type was designed specifically for workers in specialty occupations that require a minimum of a Bachelor's or the equivalent in a specialized field or discipline.

For international students in the United States wishing to stay longer than their [OPT](#) period, an H-1B visa can be a great way to continue to pursue employment and professional development in the US for US employers. However for most private-sector entities, number of new H-1Bs issued each year is limited.

Discussion & Resources

1. Hiring international students and ways to approach that process by speaking about OPT, CPT, H-1B sponsorship. ([View the Envoy Employer's Guide to H-1B Cap Season](#))

2. International candidate experience in the workplace – a conversation on supporting new hires from outside the U.S. and their cultural journey in the U.S. workplace.

Resources:

- www.InternationalStudent.com
- www.uscis.gov
- www.interstride.com

Q&A's...?

Let's keep in touch!

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Thanks for stopping by!