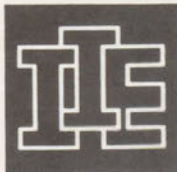


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DETAILED ANALYSES OF THE FOREIGN STUDENT POPULATION

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2.4 Field of Study of Foreign Students by World Region of Origin, Selected Years, 1949/50-1989/90

WORLD REGION/ YEAR	FIELD OF STUDY (Percentages)													Number of Students Reported
	AGRI	BUS/ MGMT	EDUC	ENGR	FINE ARTS	HLTH SCI	HUM	MATH/ COMP	PHYS SCI	SOC SCI	OTHR ¹	INT ENGL	NOT DECL	
AFRICA														
1949/50	11.0	4.4	7.6	14.9	2.1	10.5	8.6	—	10.1	9.7	21.1	—	—	525
1959/60	5.0	7.6	8.0	13.7	4.1	9.2	8.5	1.5	13.7	18.8	5.3	—	4.6	1,959
1969/70	4.7	11.7	6.3	16.0	3.1	6.4	6.3	2.2	13.5	19.4	5.4	—	5.0	7,607
1979/80	6.4	19.1	5.7	19.8	3.4	5.6	3.9	2.9	9.2	12.1	6.0	0.6	5.3	19,401
1989/90	5.3	19.6	5.0	15.1	2.6	7.2	4.9	7.0	8.0	10.7	8.6	0.8	5.1	15,179
ASIA														
1949/50	4.5	7.0	7.0	23.0	4.1	5.5	8.9	—	9.5	10.8	19.7	—	—	6,218
1959/60	2.5	8.9	5.1	21.4	4.8	7.1	7.9	3.0	16.5	14.0	6.1	—	2.7	17,808
1969/70	2.7	11.1	4.3	28.5	4.1	4.0	6.0	4.9	17.5	9.4	3.9	—	3.6	51,033
1979/80	2.1	20.0	3.7	20.9	4.3	3.6	5.1	7.2	10.8	8.8	6.0	1.6	5.9	42,405
1989/90	1.7	19.1	2.8	21.5	4.9	2.8	3.4	11.6	11.0	7.6	7.0	2.6	4.2	128,232
EUROPE														
1949/50	2.0	7.4	4.2	15.4	4.5	7.4	14.8	—	8.0	12.3	24.0	—	—	3,286
1959/60	2.5	7.7	3.5	17.9	5.1	7.3	16.2	2.2	12.9	13.7	7.8	—	3.2	6,392
1969/70	1.6	12.2	4.4	15.8	5.6	3.4	17.5	2.5	10.1	13.4	7.6	—	5.9	18,524
1979/80	1.6	14.0	3.9	14.8	6.1	4.1	11.1	4.1	9.4	11.7	7.8	1.2	10.2	12,702
1989/90	1.2	20.8	2.4	11.5	6.7	3.0	8.4	6.1	8.3	11.1	10.5	1.2	8.7	27,823
LATIN AMERICA														
1949/50	3.8	12.6	3.6	26.4	4.8	9.4	10.1	—	5.0	4.4	19.9	—	—	3,875
1959/60	5.2	9.1	4.3	26.7	4.9	7.8	12.5	1.0	8.4	7.0	8.8	—	4.3	9,428
1969/70	3.8	12.6	4.2	17.4	4.0	5.8	13.3	2.0	8.7	11.6	11.4	—	5.2	24,991
1979/80	6.2	14.4	5.1	20.1	4.3	3.8	5.3	3.2	8.0	8.3	6.7	6.8	7.8	22,291
1989/90	3.4	18.6	3.3	14.0	4.7	4.1	3.8	5.8	5.8	7.9	16.3	2.2	9.9	29,977
MIDDLE EAST														
1949/50	5.6	5.9	3.7	32.1	4.8	11.0	6.9	—	6.0	9.0	15.0	—	—	1,803
1959/60	4.4	5.7	4.0	38.8	5.3	6.8	3.8	1.8	10.8	9.7	5.3	—	3.6	6,477
1969/70	2.1	9.2	3.1	36.4	4.9	3.5	5.6	3.2	10.6	12.1	4.5	—	4.8	13,278
1979/80	1.2	12.4	3.1	42.4	3.7	2.6	2.0	5.2	6.1	6.9	5.6	2.5	6.3	41,711
1989/90	1.2	14.8	2.3	31.9	3.3	4.7	1.7	11.5	6.8	7.3	7.1	2.3	5.0	22,613
NORTH AMERICA														
1949/50	4.2	7.4	6.9	10.6	5.2	13.0	16.2	—	9.6	8.0	18.9	—	—	4,362
1959/60	1.7	10.8	8.4	16.3	5.6	8.8	16.1	1.7	11.1	10.8	7.1	—	1.6	5,761
1969/70	2.3	11.5	15.5	8.2	7.0	4.6	10.8	2.0	9.3	15.6	8.8	—	4.4	13,415
1979/80	2.0	12.5	12.8	7.5	9.8	6.6	10.8	1.8	5.8	10.7	10.0	0.2	9.5	8,698
1989/90	1.5	14.7	8.8	7.5	7.4	13.7	6.4	2.3	6.1	12.5	11.2	0.1	8.0	11,283
OCEANIA														
1949/50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1959/60	5.1	7.2	8.1	9.3	5.3	11.3	15.7	1.6	17.2	13.4	4.8	—	1.0	568
1969/70	3.4	10.3	16.6	7.6	5.5	5.3	9.0	3.3	11.5	15.2	7.3	—	5.0	2,077
1979/80	3.2	16.1	14.6	5.0	4.1	7.6	8.5	2.7	6.8	13.9	10.7	—	6.8	2,489
1989/90	2.1	18.3	7.8	5.0	5.7	5.0	8.6	6.0	5.7	12.6	12.3	5.0	6.0	2,360
ALL REGIONS														
1949/50	4.3	8.3	5.3	19.5	4.4	9.3	11.9	—	7.9	8.7	20.4	—	—	26,433
1959/60	3.3	8.5	5.1	23.3	5.0	7.6	10.4	2.1	12.9	11.9	6.8	—	3.1	48,486
1969/70	2.7	11.5	5.8	22.0	4.7	4.4	9.4	3.3	12.6	11.7	7.1	—	4.8	134,959
1979/80	3.0	15.9	4.8	25.0	4.5	3.9	5.0	4.8	8.3	9.1	6.5	2.4	6.8	150,878
1989/90	2.0	18.6	3.2	19.1	4.9	4.0	4.1	9.4	9.2	8.5	8.9	2.2	5.8	237,467

¹ Fields of study included in this category were not specified in 1949/50.

— No students were reported in this category.