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FAST FACTS

International students contributed an estimated \$158.4 million to the Tennessee economy in the 2010–11 academic year. 340 citizen diplomats in Tennessee volunteered to host international students, scholars, and visitors in their homes and communities.

190 citizens of foreign countries participated in ECA's academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in Tennessee.

189 Tennesseans participated in ECA's academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in foreign countries.

Notable ECA Alumni

Charles Penzel Wright

Pulitzer Prize for Poetry, 1998 (Fulbright U.S. Student Program 1963; Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program 1968)

James M. Buchanan

Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences, 1986 (Fulbright Program)

Ralph Emerson McGil

Pulitzer Prize for Editorial Writing, 1959 (Short Term American Grant Speakers 1963; 1952)

Tre Hargett

Secretary of State, State of Tennessee (*American Council* of Young Political Leaders 2000)

Marsha Blackburn U.S. Representative for

Tennessee's 7th Congressional District, 2003–Present (American Council of Young Political Leaders 1996; 1993)

Steve Cohen

U.S. Representative for Tennessee's 9th Congressional District, 2007–Present (American Council of Young Political Leaders 1986; 1979)

Peter H. Taylor

Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, 1987; PEN/Faulkner Award, 1985 (*Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program* 1955)

Higher Learning

1. Vanderbilt Univ. 2. Univ. of Tennessee-Knoxville 3. Tennessee Technological Univ. 4. East Tennessee State Univ. 5. Univ. of Tennessee-Martin

Tennessee universities with the most foreign students.

1. China 2. Saudi Arabia 3. India 4. S. Korea 5. Malaysia

Leading places of origin for foreign students in Tennessee during 2010–11.



