

International Student Enrollment at UT System Institutions in Fall 2022

The Office of Institutional Research and Analysis at the University of Texas System receives data for student enrollment through the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Management reports. This brief summarizes the most common countries of origin for international students for Fall 2022, details international student enrollment by institution, and compares enrollment counts from Fall 2019 to Fall 2022 to examine enrollment trends for international students across the COVID-19 pandemic.

KEY FINDINGS

- In Fall 2022, UT System institutions enrolled 16,007 international graduate/professional students from 149 countries and 5,102 international undergraduate/post-baccalaureate students from 144 countries. International students made up 26.6% of the graduate/professional student population across UT System institutions and 2.8% of undergraduate/post-baccalaureate students in Fall 2022.
- The three countries of origin with the highest international student enrollment counts in Fall 2022 at both the graduate/professional and undergraduate/post-baccalaureate levels were India, China, and Mexico.
- For academic institutions, UT Dallas had the highest proportion of international graduate/professional students in Fall 2022, making up 60.4% of their graduate/professional student population. UT Rio Grande Valley had the lowest proportion at 1.4%. At the undergraduate/post-baccalaureate level, UT El Paso had the highest percentage of international enrollment at 5.7%, while UT Rio Grande Valley was the lowest at 0.9%.
- For health-related institutions, UT MD Anderson Cancer Center had the highest proportion of international graduate/professional students at 33.3%, while UT Medical Branch - Galveston had the lowest proportion at 1.2%. UT Health Science Center - Houston had the highest proportion of international undergraduate/post-baccalaureate students at 11.5% of their student population. UT Health Science Center - San Antonio and UT Southwestern Medical Center had no international student enrollment at the undergraduate/post-baccalaureate level.
- At the onset of the pandemic, international graduate/professional enrollment in Fall 2020 decreased by 4.3 percentage point when compared to Fall 2019. International graduate/professional enrollment was almost back to pre-pandemic levels by Fall 2021, and then grew to a larger proportion of total graduate/professional enrollment in Fall 2022 compared to the prior three years.
- Undergraduate/post-baccalaureate international students' enrollment as a proportion of total undergraduate/post-baccalaureate enrollment was fairly stable across all four years examined. There was a slight decrease of 0.6 percentage points from Fall 2019 to Fall 2020, and zero change in the subsequent two years.

Table 1. Most Frequent Countries of Origin for International Graduate/Professional Students, Fall 2022

Country	Count	Percent
India	9,300	58.1%
China, People's Republic of	2,340	14.6%
Mexico	492	3.1%
Taiwan	463	2.9%
Korea, South (Republic of)	431	2.7%
Bangladesh	399	2.5%
Iran	295	1.8%
Nigeria	211	1.3%

Country	Count	Percent
Nepal	147	0.9%
Canada	117	0.7%
Additional 139 Countries	1,812	11.3%
Total	16,007	100.0%

In Fall 2022, UT System enrolled 16,007 international graduate/professional students from 149 different countries. India was the most common country of origin for graduate/professional students in the UT System, with 9,300 students representing 58.1% of all international graduate/professional students. China was the second most common country of origin, with 2,340 students comprising 14.6% of international graduate/professional student enrollment at UT System institutions. Mexico was the third most common, with 492 students making up 3.1% of international graduate/professional students.

Table 2. Most Frequent Countries of Origin for International Undergraduate/Post-Baccalaureate Students, Fall 2022

Country	Count	Percent
Mexico	1,650	32.3%
India	581	11.4%
China, People's Republic of	400	7.8%
Korea, South (Republic of)	226	4.4%
Nepal	135	2.6%
Nigeria	128	2.5%
Vietnam (Socialist Republic of)	120	2.4%
Bangladesh	116	2.3%
Canada	103	2.0%
Spain	89	1.7%
Additional 134 Countries	1,554	30.5%
Total	5,102	100.0%

In Fall 2022, UT System enrolled 5,102 international undergraduate/post-baccalaureate students from 144 different countries. Mexico was the most common country of origin for international undergraduate/post-baccalaureate students, comprising 32.3% of the total with 1,650 students. The second most common country of origin was India, with 581 students representing 11.4% of all international undergraduate/post-baccalaureate students. China was the third most common country, with 400 students comprising 7.8% of all international undergraduate/post-baccalaureate students.

Table 3. International Graduate/Professional Student Enrollment by Institution, Fall 2022

Institution	Domestic	International	Percent International
UT Arlington	7,116	4,496	38.7%
UT Austin	7,874	3,201	28.9%
UT Dallas	3,885	5,933	60.4%
UT El Paso	3,082	593	16.1%
UT Permian Basin	723	66	8.4%
UT Rio Grande Valley	4,549	63	1.4%
UT San Antonio	4,137	402	8.9%
UT Tyler	1,811	147	7.5%

Institution	Domestic	International	Percent International
All Academic Institutions	33,177	14,901	31.0%
UT Health Science Center - Houston	3,904	547	12.3%
UT Health Science Center - San Antonio	2,636	72	2.7%
UT MD Anderson Cancer Center	18	9	33.3%
UT Medical Branch - Galveston	2,547	30	1.2%
UT Southwestern Medical Center	1,858	448	19.4%
All Health Institutions	10,963	1,106	9.2%

Across all academic institutions, international students comprised 31.0% of all graduate/professional students in Fall 2022. UT Dallas had the highest proportion of international graduate/professional students at 60.4%, followed by UT Arlington at 38.7%. UT Rio Grande Valley had the lowest proportion of international graduate/professional students at 1.4%.

The proportion of international graduate/professional students in Fall 2022 across all health institutions was 9.2%. Among health institutions, UT MD Anderson Cancer Center had the highest proportion of international graduate/professional students at 33.3%, followed by UT Southwestern Medical Center at 19.4%. UT Medical Branch - Galveston had the lowest proportion of international graduate/professional students at 1.2%.

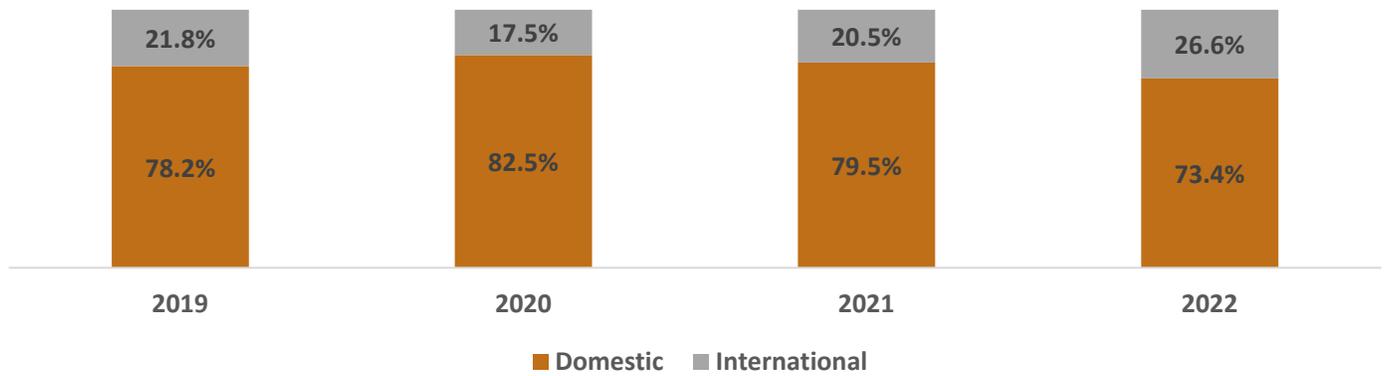
Table 4. International Undergraduate/Post-Baccalaureate Student Enrollment by Institution, Fall 2022

Institution	Domestic	International	Percent International
UT Arlington	28,755	575	2.0%
UT Austin	39,396	1,913	4.6%
UT Dallas	21,268	484	2.2%
UT El Paso	19,060	1,145	5.7%
UT Permian Basin	4,338	123	2.8%
UT Rio Grande Valley	26,693	254	0.9%
UT San Antonio	28,682	336	1.2%
UT Tyler	6,973	133	1.9%
All Academic Institutions	175,165	4,963	2.8%
UT Health Science Center - Houston	769	100	11.5%
UT Health Science Center - San Antonio	783	0	0.0%
UT MD Anderson Cancer Center	327	10	3.0%
UT Medical Branch - Galveston	685	29	4.1%
UT Southwestern Medical Center	45	0	0.0%
All Health Institutions	2,609	139	5.1%

Across all academic institutions in Fall 2022, international students comprised 2.8% of the undergraduate/post-baccalaureate student population. UT El Paso had the highest percentage of international undergraduate/post-baccalaureate students with 5.7%, followed by UT Austin at 4.6%. The academic institution with the lowest proportion of international undergraduate/post-baccalaureate students was UT Rio Grande Valley at 0.9%.

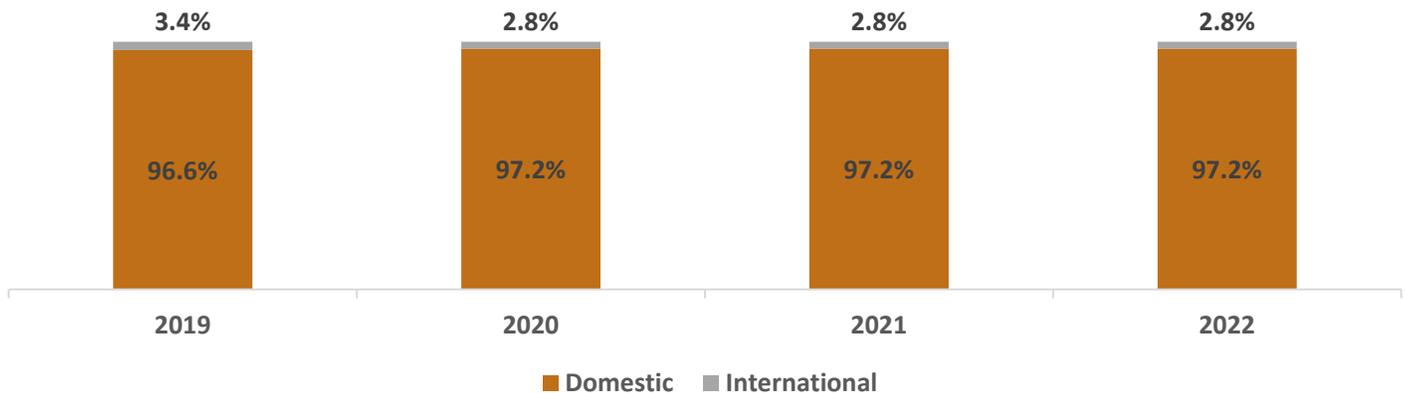
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Figure 1. International Graduate/Professional Student Enrollment 2019-2022 as Percentage of Total



International graduate/professional student enrollment decreased during the onset of the pandemic, from 12,535 (21.8% of graduate/professional student population) in Fall 2019 to 10,104 (17.5% of graduate/professional student population) in Fall 2020, a decrease of 19.4%. As the pandemic was winding down, international enrollment increased to 12,187 (20.5% of graduate/professional student population) in Fall 2021, an increase of 20.6% year over year. In Fall 2022, the number of international graduate students grew to 16,007 (26.6% of graduate/professional student population), an increase of 31.3% over the previous year. Overall, from Fall 2019 to Fall 2022, the proportion of international students out of total enrollment at the graduate/professional level increased 4.8 percentage points.

Figure 2. International Undergraduate/Post-Baccalaureate Student Enrollment 2019-2022 as Percentage of Total



International undergraduate/post-baccalaureate student enrollment declined from 6,122 (3.4% of undergraduate/post-baccalaureate student population) in Fall 2019 to 5,134 (2.8% of undergraduate/post-baccalaureate student population) in Fall 2020, a decrease of 16.1%. International enrollment declined further in Fall 2021 to 5,080 (2.8% of the undergraduate/post-baccalaureate student population), a decrease of 1.1% year over year. In Fall 2022, international undergraduate/post-baccalaureate student enrollment counts increased slightly to 5,102 (2.8% of the undergraduate/post-baccalaureate student population), an increase of 0.4% over the previous year. Overall, from Fall 2019 to Fall 2022, the proportion of international students out of total enrollment at the undergraduate/post-baccalaureate level was fairly stable, decreasing by only 0.6 percentage points.