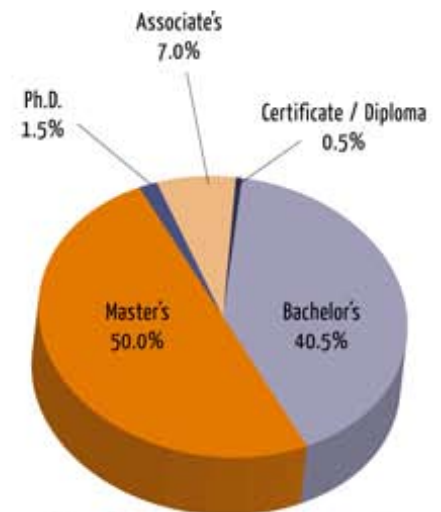


Fast Facts & Trends

ACTUAL ELS UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS SERVICES RESULTS

These statistics are provided by ELS University Admissions Services Department and reflect trends in international student migration to the US with respect to degree type, most popular majors and leading countries of origin. This data represents the first quarter (January-March) of 2009.



First Quarter Degree Types Pursued

TOP MAJORS

1. **Business** - Management, Finance, Economics, Accounting, Hotel Management and Marketing
2. **Engineering** - Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Civil Engineering
3. **Computer Science** - Computer Science, Informational Technology and Information Systems
4. **Health** - Nursing, Nutrition, Medicine, Pharmaceutical Science and Health Service Management
5. **Education** - TSEOL, Special Education, Music Education and Educational Leadership

Top 3 Countries sending applications to ELS University Admissions Services Department

China - Saudi Arabia - Taiwan

Year-over-year growth

In 2008, there were over **80,000 Chinese students** studying in US Institutions (+19.8% over prior year). Students are highly motivated to learn English, as highly-competitive domestic admissions drive Chinese students to the USA for their higher education.

In 2008, there were over **8,750 Vietnamese students** studying in US Institutions (+45.3% over prior year). With this increase, Vietnam jumps on the list of student source countries to #13 from #20. This is a very positive trend.

In 2008, there were over **12,000 Turkish students** studying in US Institutions (+4.6% over prior year). Turkey is ranked the eighth largest country, in terms of international student enrollment in universities in the United States. A burgeoning college-aged population coupled with the shortage of university and postgraduate institutions is driving Turkish enrollment in US universities.

Key Majors

Primary areas of interest for:

Chinese students are Business and Engineering (65% Graduate, 20% Undergraduate, and 15% other)

Vietnamese students are Business and Engineering (19% Graduate, 68% Undergraduate, and 13% other)

Turkish students are Business and Engineering (55% Graduate, 31% Undergraduate, and 14% other)