











OPEN DOORS FACT SHEET: PAKISTAN

INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION Educational Exchange Data from *Open Doors 2011*

In the 2010/11 academic year, **5,045** students from Pakistan were studying in the United States (down 3% from the previous year). Pakistan is the twenty-fourth leading place of origin for students coming to the United States.

Academic Level: More Pakistani students study at the undergraduate level. In 2010/11, their breakdown was as follows:

44.8% undergraduate41.2% graduate students

3.5% other

10.4% OPT (Optional Practical Training)

Historical trends: Following a period of decline in the 1990s, the number of students from Pakistan grew in the first two years of the 2000s. Since 2001/02, the number of Pakistani students in the U.S. has dropped, pushing Pakistan out of the top 20 places of origin in 2006/07. The number of students from Pakistan has continued to decline, however Pakistan remains a top 25 place of origin for international students in the United States.

Year	# of Students From Pakistan	% Change from Previous Year	# of U.S. Study Abroad Students Going to Pakistan
2010/11	5,045	-3.4%	n/a
2009/10	5,222	-1.4%	10
2008/09	5,298	-0.9%	5
2007/08	5,345	-1.0%	4
2006/07	5,401	-6.2%	5
2005/06	5,759	-8.5%	13
2004/05	6,296	-14.0%	3
2003/04	7,325	-9.8%	5
2002/03	8,123	-6.0%	9
2001/02	8,644	24.4%	9
2000/01	6,948	17.7%	3
1999/00	5,905	1.4%	3
1998/99	5,821	-4.5%	5
1997/98	6,095	-5.2%	8
1996/97	6,427	-8.0%	0
1995/96	6,989	-4.2%	3
1994/95	7,299	-	21

Note: Study abroad figures from *Open Doors* reflect credit given by U.S. campuses during the survey year to their students who studied abroad in the academic year just completed, including the summer term. Study abroad in 2010/11 will be reported in *Open Doors 2012*, once credit is awarded by the home campus.

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