

International Student Statistics Fall 2023

Background Information

These statistics represent a snapshot of the international student population at the University of New Mexico taken in the Fall 2023 semester and are largely the same as those reported to “Open Doors”, the national survey published by the Institute of International Education (IIE).

For purposes of this report the definition of “International students” listed below includes 3 groups: 1) academic degree-seeking students on non-immigrant visas, 2) intensive English students enrolled in the CELAC program, and 3) full-time exchange, guest or non-degree students coming from abroad and enrolled at UNM for the Fall 2023 semester. “Exchange/Guest” students are those who are visiting UNM for one semester or one year as a part of an official agreement between UNM and a university abroad. Exchange agreements are bilateral, while Guest agreements only involve students coming to UNM. Those listed as “non-degree” international students are in certificate programs.

Students are only counted in one group in this report. For example, if a student is enrolled primarily as an Exchange student, but is taking intensive English classes, she is only included in the Exchange numbers and not in the intensive English numbers. Students on “practical training” are shown in the first chart only. These students are authorized and monitored by an international advisor at UNM to engage in work in their field following completion of their program of study. Practical training students are still on F or J visas sponsored by UNM, but are typically no longer attending UNM as full-time students. Please note that these “practical training” students are not included in any other statistics in this report.

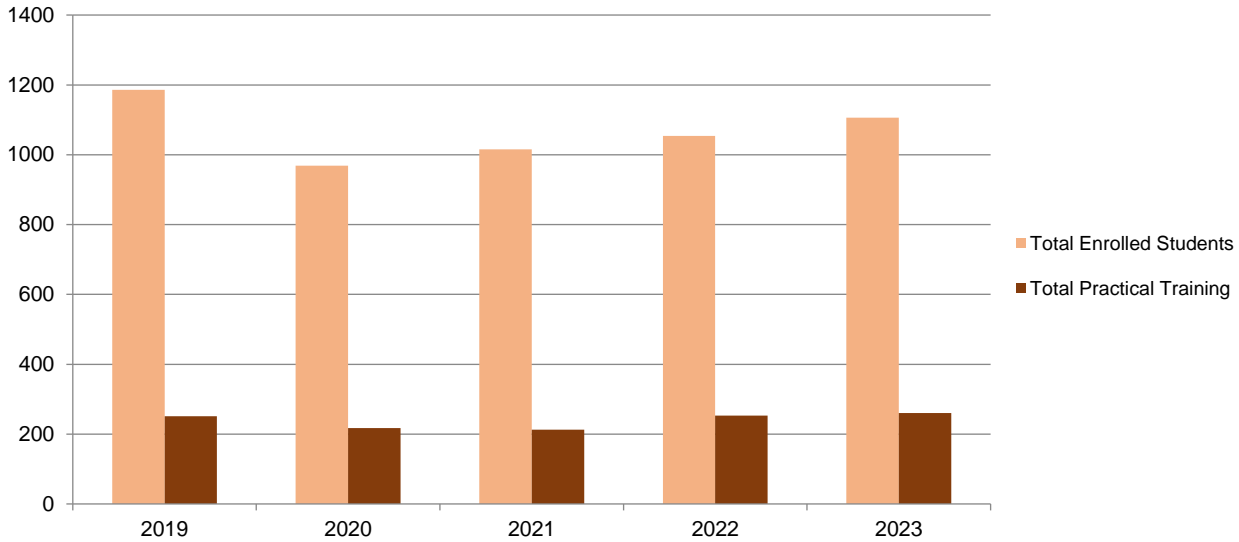
A separate report on international students newly enrolling for Fall 2023 can be requested from the Global Education Office or viewed on our website at: global.unm.edu. For more information, contact Linda Melville, Director, International Student and Scholar Services, 2120 Mesa Vista Hall, Telephone 277-4032, E-mail: lmelvill@unm.edu.

Observations

- The total number of enrolled international students increased by 4.93% over Fall 2022
- Changes over last year (by level):
 - Undergraduate students - increased 8.33%
 - Graduate students - increased 6.52% (20.08% increase in master’s students and 2.6% decrease in Doctoral students),
 - Intensive English students - decreased 13.64%,
 - 'Practical training' students (students on post completion work permission) - increased 2.77%,
 - Exchange students - decreased 20.99%,
 - Non-degree students - increased 71.43%
- Over the last five years (Fall 2023 compared with Fall 2019), there has been
 - 17.93% decrease in the number of undergraduate students
 - 11.18% increase in graduate students (39.46% increase in master’s students and 4.82% decrease in Doctoral students)
 - 49.61% decreased in the exchange student population
 - 52.5% decreased in the Intensive English student population.
- Of all International students enrolled at UNM for Fall 2023, 62.03% were Graduates, 29.39% were Undergraduates, 5.79% were Exchange students, 1.08% were Non-degree/Certificate program students and 1.72% were Intensive English students
- International students comprised 4.87% of the total UNM population (14.81% of all graduates excluding Medicine and Law schools at UNM and 1.93% of all undergraduates at UNM)
- International students at UNM come from 96 countries; the top 5 countries represented at UNM are: India, China, Nepal, Bangladesh, and Mexico, respectively
- In terms of region of origin, Asia has the largest representation at 51.27% of international students
- 44.03% of international students receive more than half of their funding from UNM
- 55.97% of international students at the University of New Mexico receive the majority of their support from sources outside of UNM. Thus, international students who pay non-resident rates contribute a considerable number of tuition dollars to UNM each year. Based on reported sources of income and tuition-residency status, the total amount these students spent on tuition this year was approximately 11 million dollars.

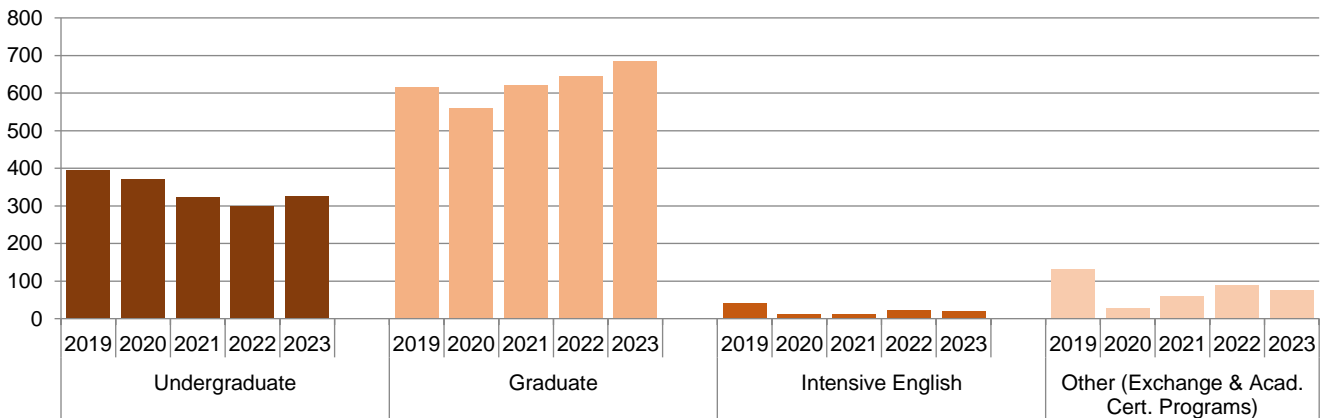
International Student Population Since 2019

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Total Enrolled Students	1186	969	1015	1054	1106
Total Practical Training	251	217	213	253	260
Total Students	1437	1186	1228	1307	1366
Population growth over previous year - Enrolled Students	-5.52%	-17.47%	3.54%	6.43%	4.51%

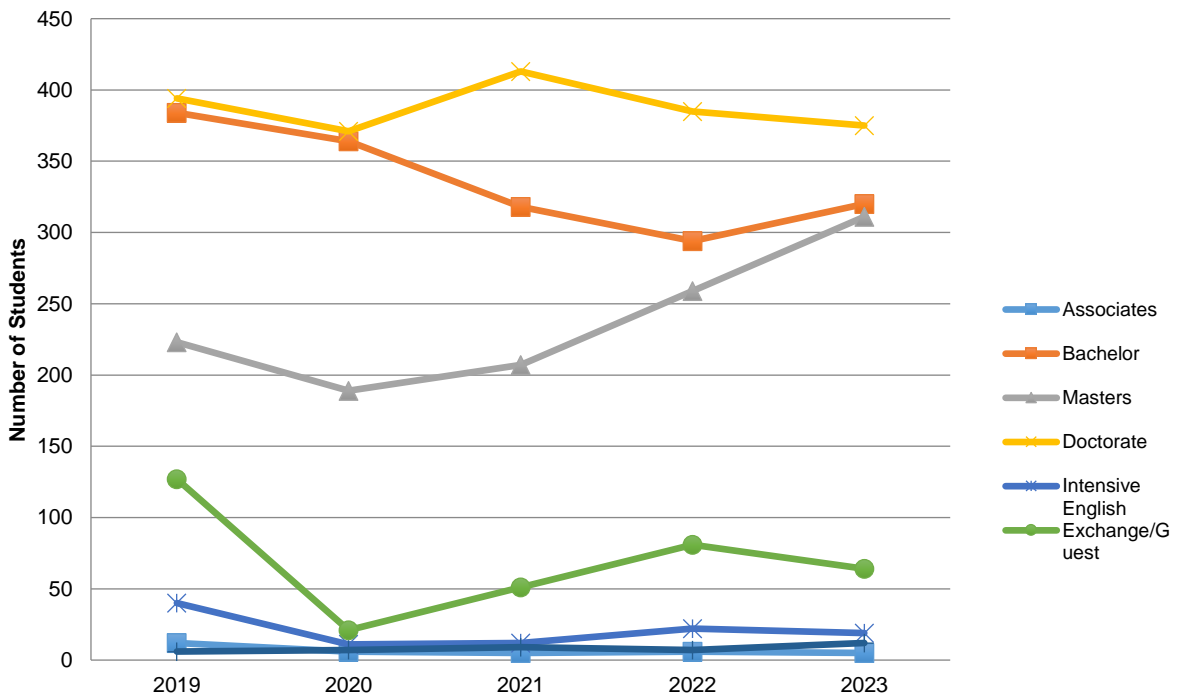
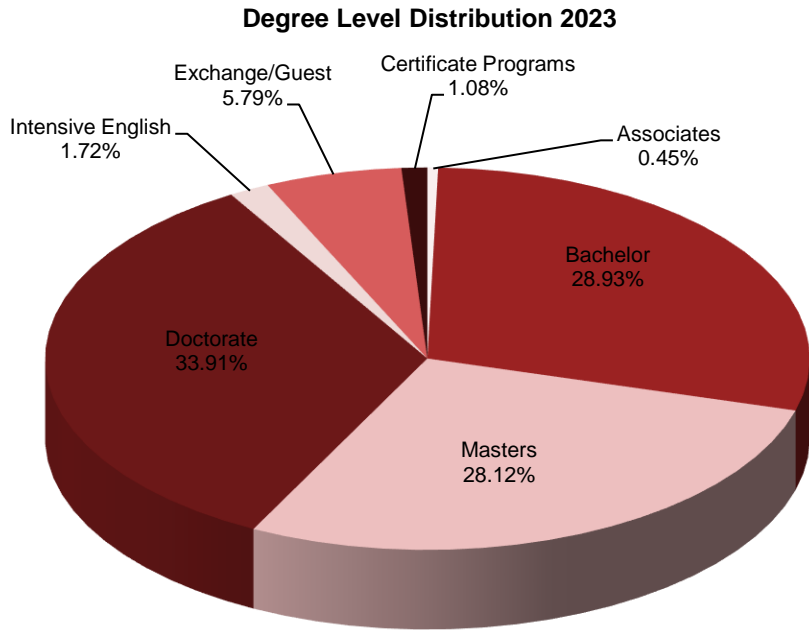


Education Level Distribution Since 2019

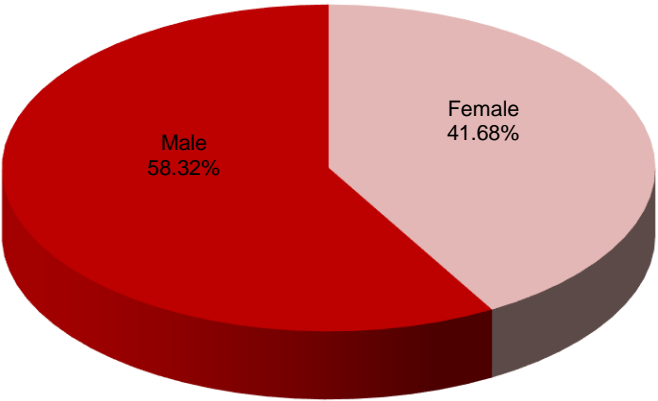
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Undergraduate	396	370	323	300	325
Graduate	617	560	620	644	686
Intensive English	40	11	12	22	19
Exchange/Guest	127	21	51	81	64
Certificate Programs	6	7	9	7	12
Grand Total	1186	969	1015	1054	1106



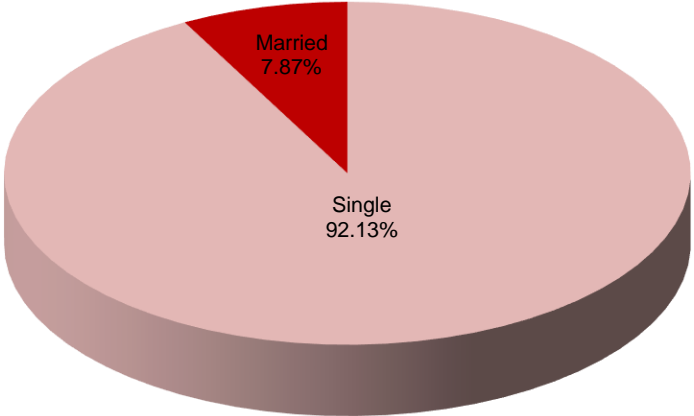
Degree Level Distribution Since 2019					
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Associates	12	6	5	6	5
Bachelor	384	364	318	294	320
Masters	223	189	207	259	311
Doctorate	394	371	413	385	375
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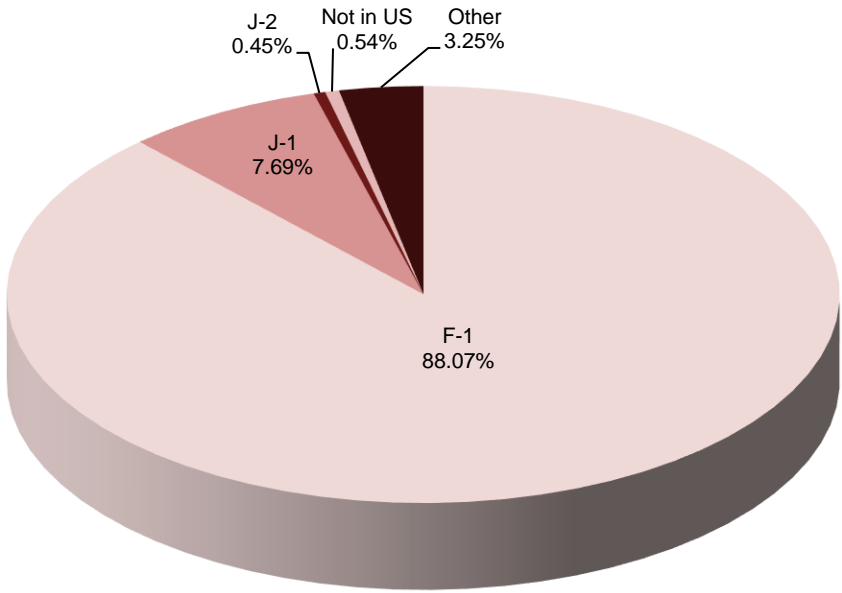
Gender Distribution	
Fall 2023	
Female	461
Male	645
Total	1106



Marital Status	
Fall 2023	
Single	1019
Married	87
Total	1106



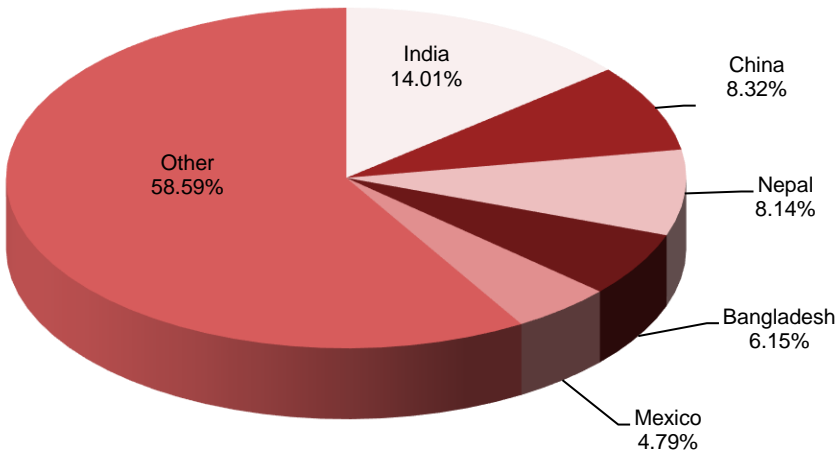
Visa Types	
Fall 2023	
F-1	974
F-2	0
J-1	85
J-2	5
Not in US	6
Other	36
Total	1106



Country of Citizenship			
Country of Citizenship	# of student	Country of Citizenship	# of student
Antigua and Barbuda	1	Mongolia	1
Argentina	4	Morocco	2
Australia	10	Mozambique	1
Austria	1	Nepal	90
Azerbaijan	2	Netherlands	9
Bangladesh	68	Nicaragua	1
Belarus	1	Niger	1
Belgium	3	Nigeria	38
Belize	1	Pakistan	32
Bhutan	1	Panama	1
Bolivia	5	Peru	18
Botswana	3	Philippines	13
Brazil	27	Poland	3
Burma	3	Russia	2
Cameroon	6	Rwanda	2
Canada	20	Saudi Arabia	14
Cape Verde	1	Sierra Leone	1
Chile	6	Singapore	2
China	92	South Africa	2
Colombia	25	South Korea	25
Congo (Kinshasa)	2	Spain	17
Costa Rica	1	Sri Lanka	10
Cote D Ivoire	1	Sweden	5
Ecuador	4	Switzerland	1
Egypt	8	Taiwan	8
El Salvador	1	Tanzania	2
Eritrea	2	Thailand	3
Ethiopia	2	Togo	1
Finland	1	Turkey	5
France	16	Turkmenistan	1
Gaza Strip	1	Uganda	2
Georgia	1	Ukraine	2
Germany	13	United Arab Emirates	2
Ghana	37	United Kingdom	18
Honduras	1	United States	2
Hungary	2	Venezuela	3
India	155	Vietnam	43
Indonesia	3	Yemen	1
Iran	49	Zambia	1
Iraq	2	Zimbabwe	2
Ireland	1		
Israel	6		
Italy	10		
Jamaica	1		
Japan	13		
Jordan	12		
Kazakhstan	2		
Kenya	5		
Kuwait	24		
Latvia	1		
Lebanon	4		
Libya	1		
Madagascar	1		
Malawi	1		
Malaysia	2		
Mexico	53		
Grand Total	1106	Countries Total	96

**Top Five Enrolling Countries
at UNM – Fall 2023**

India	155
China	92
Nepal	90
Bangladesh	68
Mexico	53
Other	648
Grand Total	1106

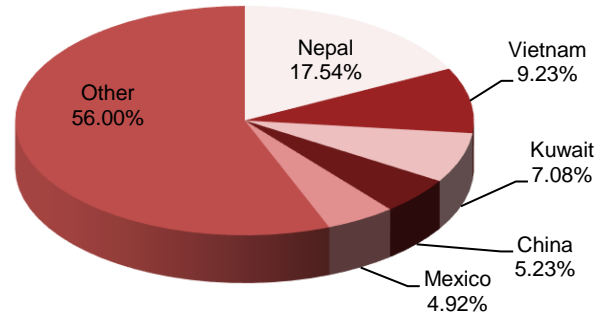


Change in Numbers (Most Popular Countries)

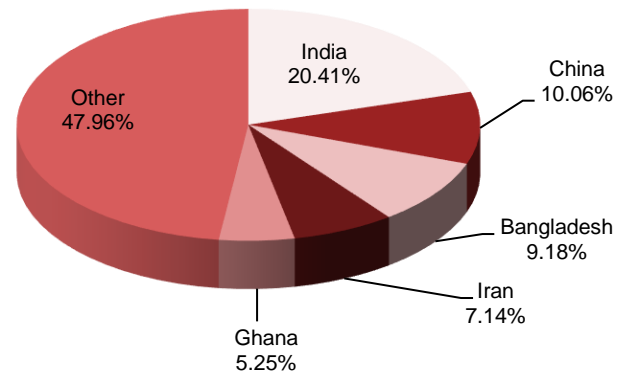
	2018 vs. 2019	2019 vs. 2020	2020 vs. 2021	2021 vs. 2022	2022 vs. 2023
India	+7	-10	+9	+11	+22
China	+39	-21	-26	-30	-16
Nepal	0	-8	-18	+1	+6
Bangladesh	-3	-1	+5	+13	+4
Mexico	-5	-6	+4	+11	+6

Distribution by Level and Country

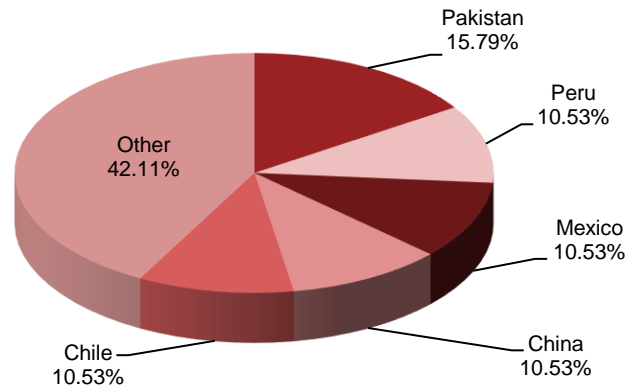
Undergraduates - Top Five Countries	
Nepal	57
Vietnam	30
Kuwait	23
China	17
Mexico	16
Other	182
Grand Total	325



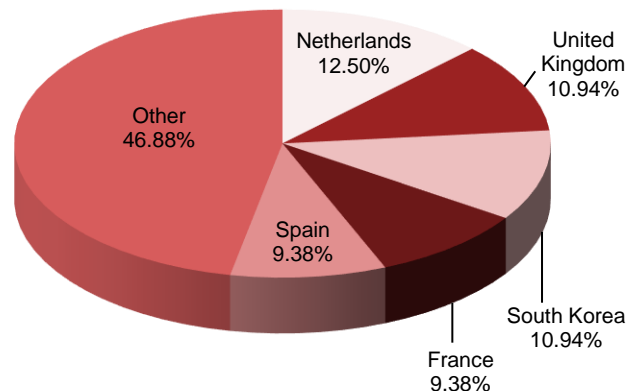
Graduates - Top Five Countries	
India	140
China	69
Bangladesh	63
Iran	49
Ghana	36
Other	329
Grand Total	686



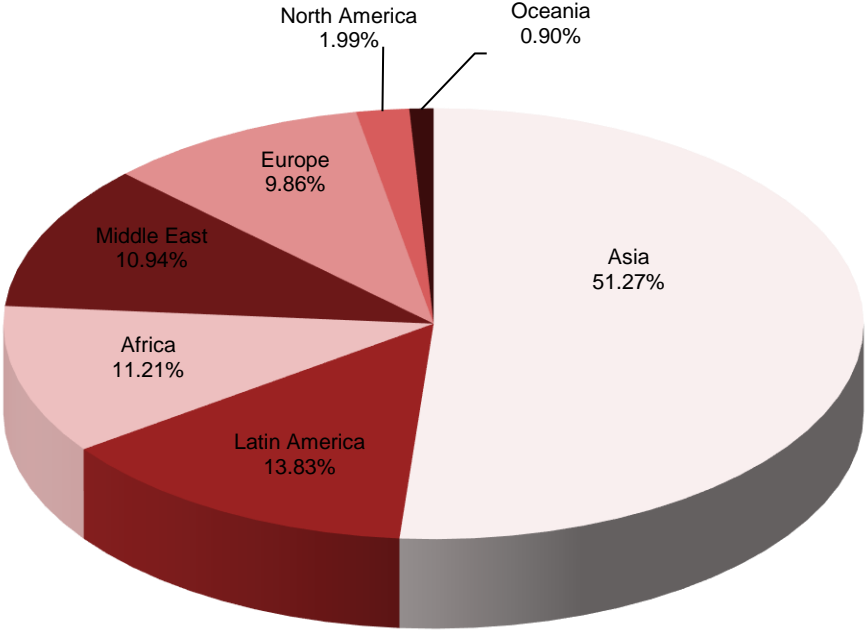
Intensive English Students - Top Five Countries	
Pakistan	3
Peru	2
Mexico	2
China	2
Chile	2
Other	8
Grand Total	19



Exchange & Guest - Top Five Countries	
Netherlands	8
United Kingdom	7
South Korea	7
France	6
Spain	6
Other	30
Grand Total	64

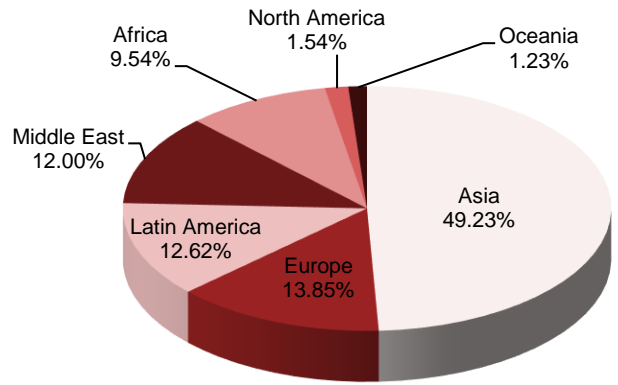


International Students by Region of the World	
Asia	567
Latin America	153
Africa	124
Middle East	121
Europe	109
North America	22
Oceania	10
Grand Total	1106

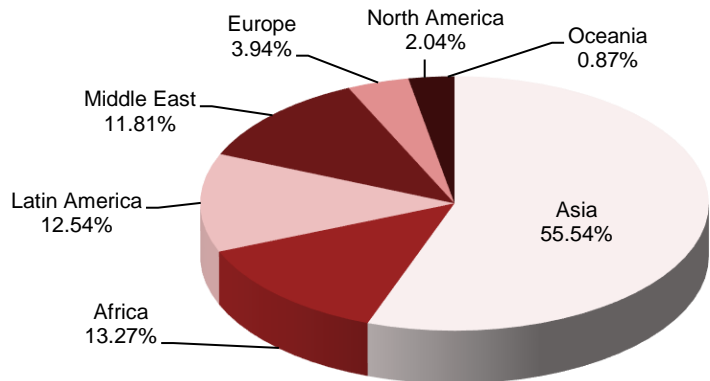


Distribution by Level and Region

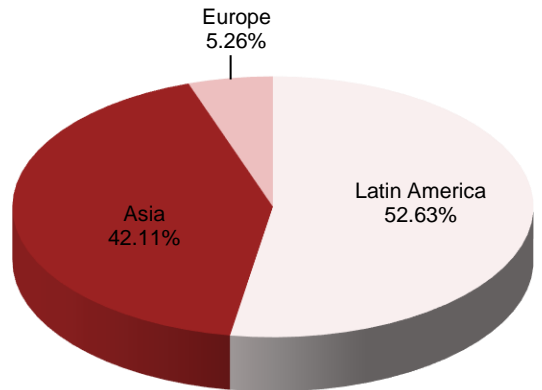
Undergraduates by Region of the World	
Asia	160
Europe	45
Latin America	41
Middle East	39
Africa	31
North America	5
Oceania	4
Grand Total	325



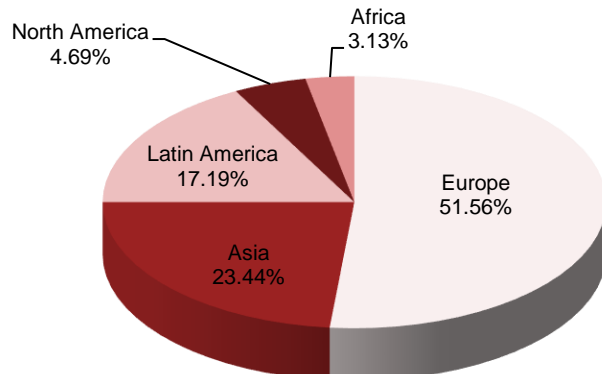
Graduates by Region of the World	
Asia	381
Africa	91
Latin America	86
Middle East	81
Europe	27
North America	14
Oceania	6
Grand Total	686



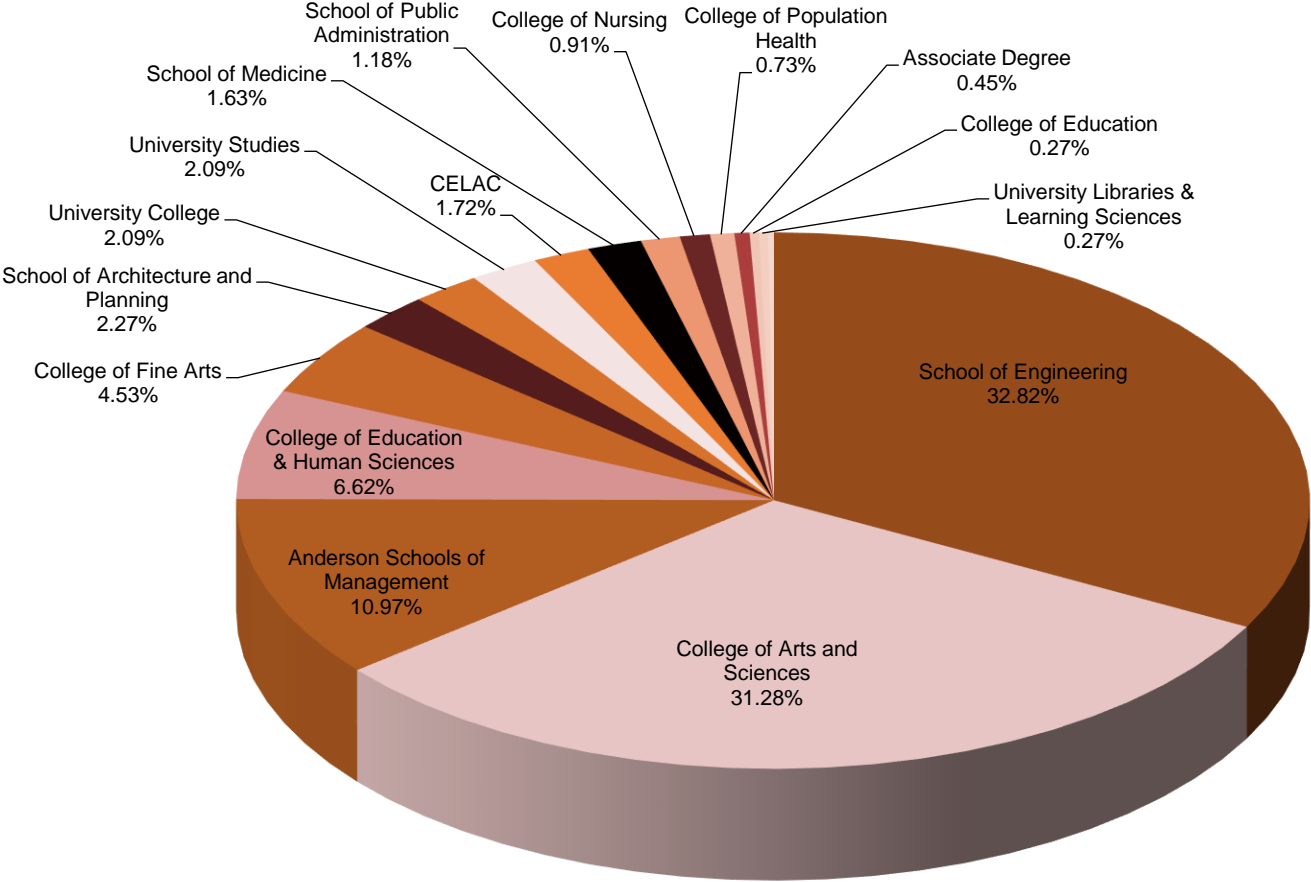
Intensive English Students by Region of the World	
Latin America	10
Asia	8
Europe	1
Grand Total	19



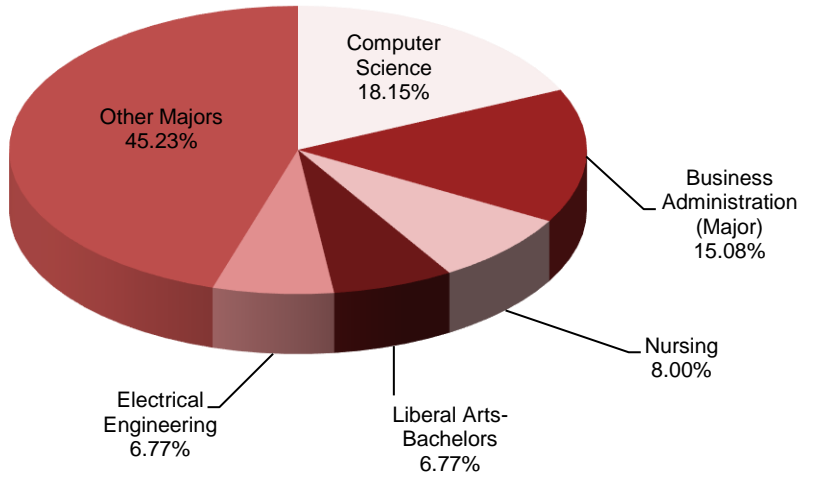
Other (Exchange & Non-Degree) by Region of the World	
Europe	33
Asia	15
Latin America	11
North America	3
Africa	2
Grand Total	64



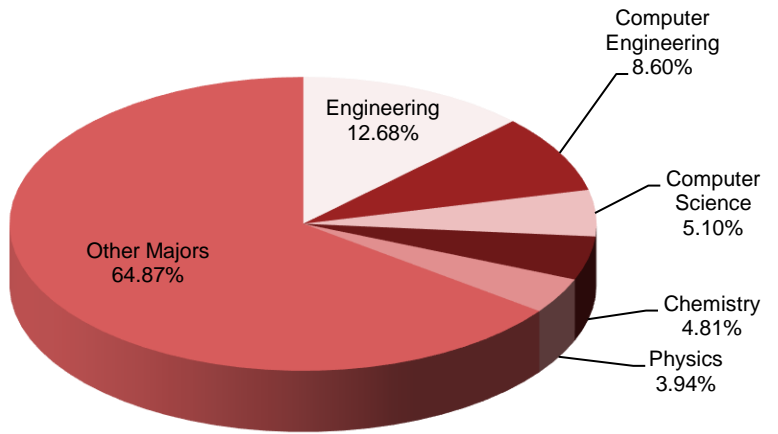
College Enrollment	
School of Engineering	362
College of Arts and Sciences	345
Anderson Schools of Management	121
College of Education & Human Sciences	73
College of Fine Arts	50
School of Architecture and Planning	25
University College	23
University Studies	23
CELAC	19
School of Medicine	18
School of Public Administration	13
College of Nursing	10
College of Population Health	8
Associate Degree	5
College of Education	3
University Libraries & Learning Sciences	3
School of Law	2
College of Pharmacy	2
Graduate Programs	1
Grand Total	1106



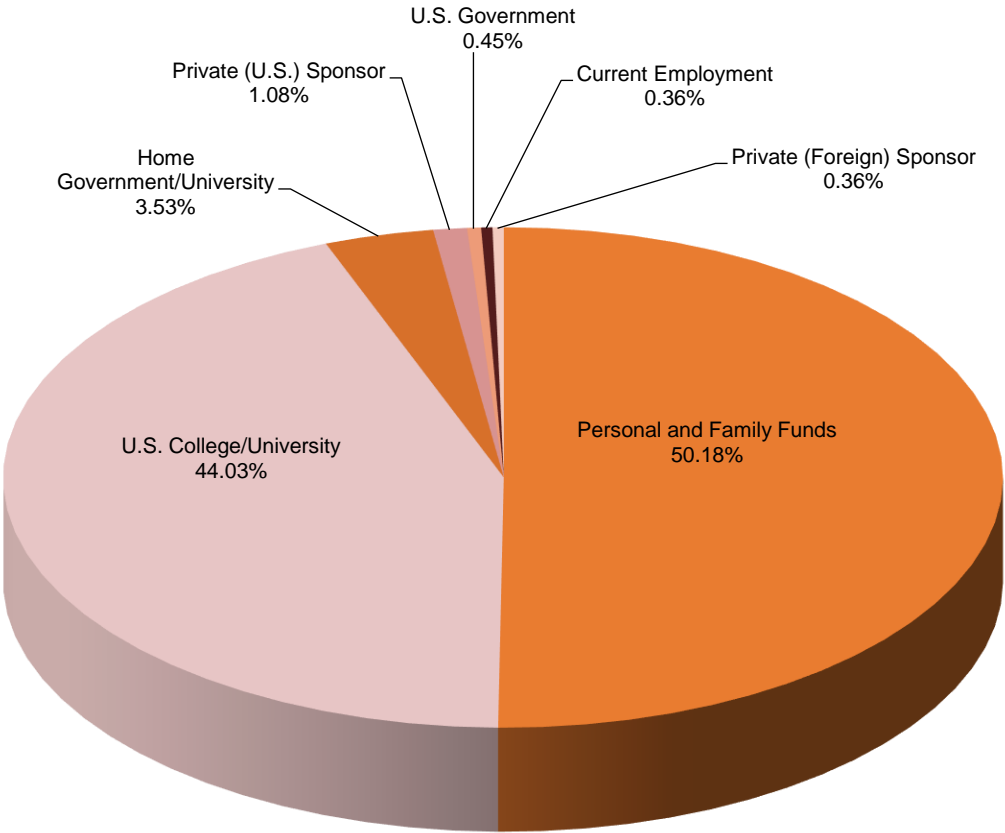
Top Five Undergraduate Majors	
Computer Science	59
Business Administration (Major)	49
Nursing	26
Liberal Arts-Bachelors	22
Electrical Engineering	22
Other Majors	147
Grand Total	325



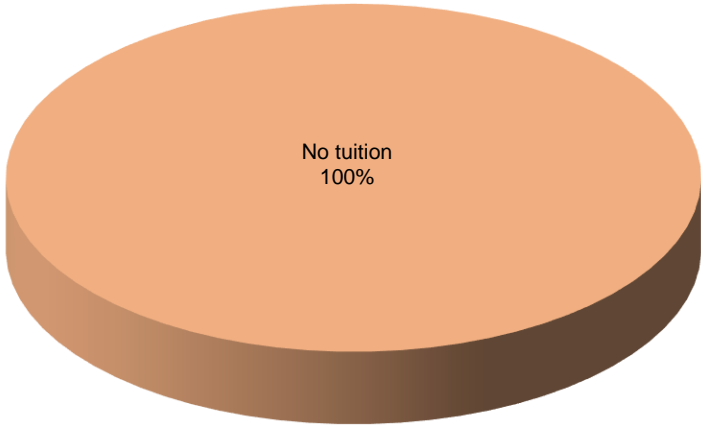
Top Five Graduate Majors	
Engineering	87
Computer Engineering	59
Computer Science	35
Chemistry	33
Physics	27
Other Majors	445
Grand Total	686



International Student Sources of Funding	
Personal and Family Funds	555
U.S. College/University	487
Home Government/University	39
Private (U.S.) Sponsor	12
U.S. Government	5
Current Employment	4
Private (Foreign) Sponsor	4
Grand Total	1106

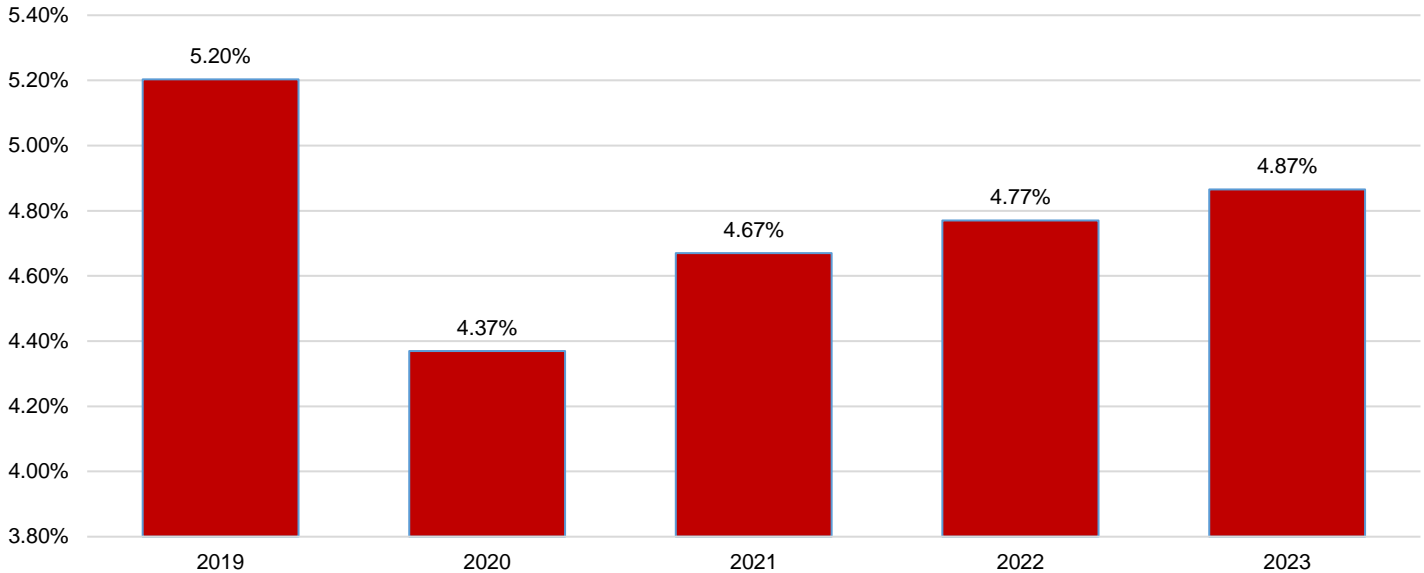


Categories of "Non-degree" students with Payment Types	
No tuition "Exchange"	64
Grand Total	64



Comparison of Main Campus International Student Population and Total UNM Population

	2019		2020		2021		2022		2023	
International	1186	5.20%	969	4.37%	1010	4.67%	1048	4.77%	1101	4.87%
Total UNM	22,792	100.00%	22,197	100.00%	21,638	100.00%	21,982	100.00%	22,630	100.00%



UNM Main Campus Undergraduate and Graduate Enrollment

	2019		2020		2021		2022		2023	
International Undergraduates	2.28%	368	2.35%	370	2.12%	318	1.88%	294	1.93%	320
Total UNM Undergraduates	100%	16,170	100%	15,718	100%	15,031	100%	15,625	100%	16,559
International Graduates	12.78%	690	10.10%	560	12.08%	593	13.34%	619	14.81%	659
Total UNM Graduates	100%	5,399	100%	5,545	100%	4,908	100%	4,639	100%	4,451

UNM Main Campus Gender Distribution -- Fall 2023

Total UNM Students		
Male	9619	42.51%
Female	13008	57.48%
Unknown	3	0.01%
Total	22,630	100.00%
International Students		
Male	459	41.69%
Female	642	58.31%
Total	1101	100.00%