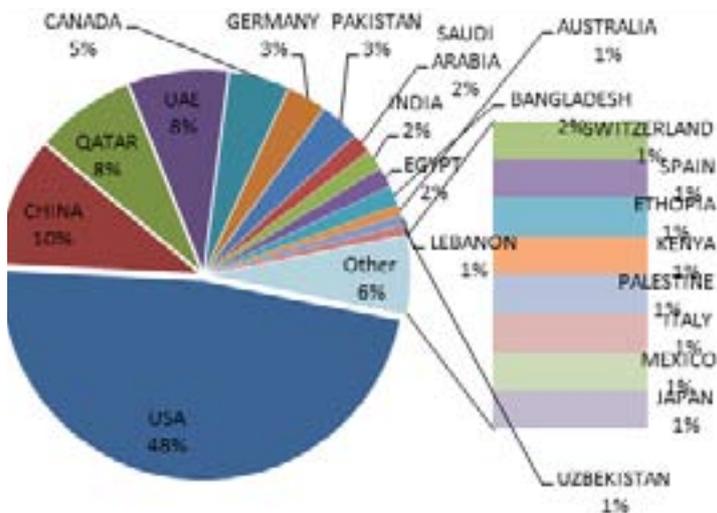


IXO: Bringing diversity to AUS!

So far, the IXO has had a successful year bringing in exchange students from across the globe. With a total of 126 students having attended AUS from Fall 2012 to Summer 2013, a large majority were from outside the Middle East.

48% of these students came from the USA, followed by China at 10%. Other exchange students were from Canada, Germany, Pakistan, Australia, Italy, Mexico, Japan, various MENA and South Asian countries.

View the graph below for a summary of the different nationalities that have visited AUS:



percentage of students

Some of the IXO's latest achievements

The office had a successful year achieving a variety of outcomes such as increasing the number of international exchanges dramatically, adding to the list of partner universities and facilitating financial assistance to help exchange students. These achievements were all done successfully while weathering changes in the IXO's staff.

Along with the wide variety of universities already available, the IXO added the University of South Carolina and Darla Moore School of Business to their list of partner universities. They've increased both incoming and outgoing students, hosted 21 visitors from 12 different countries and sent their first student to Syracuse University, New York via the Tuition Exchange Program. This is only a short list of the IXO's achievements, with many others in their management, student transfers, partnering contracts and more.

Spring 2014 applications still open!

It's not too late to apply to select universities for the coming Spring – you have till **August 1st** to apply for the opportunity to experience the world! However, to be eligible, you must have 60 credits by the semester you wish to go abroad and be in good standing academically. The minimum requirement is a 2.5 GPA, but be aware that some universities require higher.

Examples of universities you can apply to include **Maastricht University** in the Netherlands, **Louisiana State University** in the United States, **Sciences Po** in Paris, France along with many more.

For more information, please visit the IXO office in the Main Building, office MG-43.



Louisiana State University Campus (source: www.bus.lsu.edu)

10 reasons why you should study abroad in college

1. Do it while you are young and energetic, before you are tied down to one place.
2. Meet new friends from around the world, who you can share interests with and learn new ideas from.
3. Gain new perspectives on things you normally wouldn't have.
4. Network for your future! You never know who you'll meet and who will lend you a hand in the future.
5. Learn a new language and to communicate across different cultures. We're at the center of globalization.
6. A semester abroad looks great on a resume!
7. Learn to be fully independent and see what you can do on your own.
8. Immerse yourself in a totally different culture... you might really like it.
9. Experience a different education system than your home country, or it being implemented differently.
10. Something totally different and an unforgettable experience. It's your chance to do things you wouldn't normally do at home.

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