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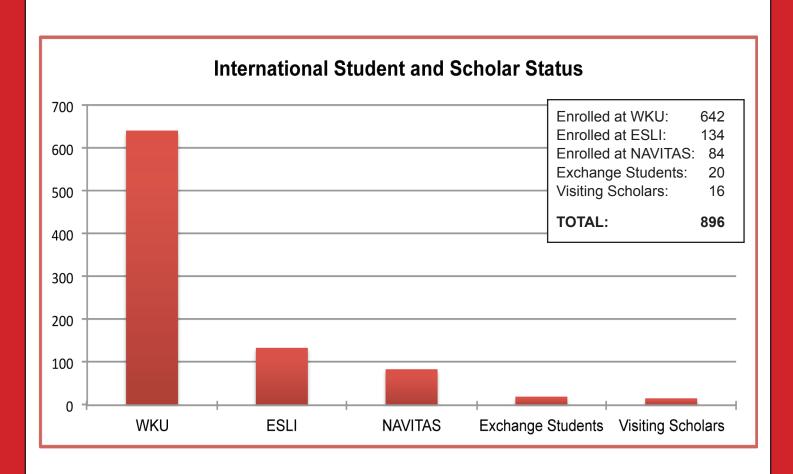
A word from the Director

WKU hosts a vibrant community of 900 international students and scholars from approximately 70 countries and continues grow. WKU professors and professional staff provide support to help international students REACH their full potential and gain a positive educational experience.

ISSS provides specialized support services to WKU's international students, scholars and their dependents. This includes immigration advising and guidance, orientation, programs and events, cultural adjustment, resources and much more.

This report highlights the international students and scholar population during the spring 2013 semester. For more information about WKU international population, please visit ISSS website at www.wku.edu/isss.

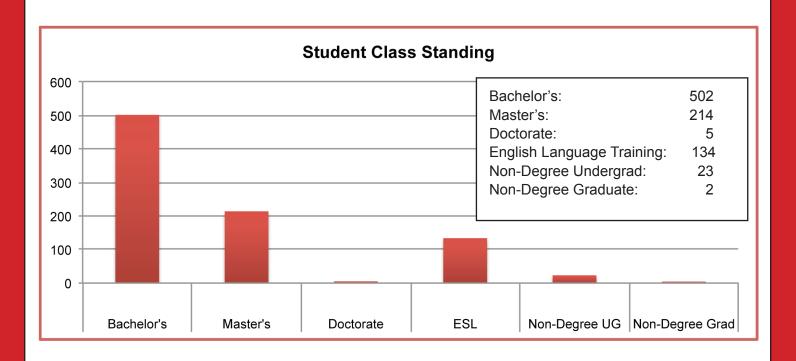
Tarek Elshayeb, Director
International Student & Scholar Services
(ISSS)



Gender (Students & Scholars):

Visa Type (Students & Scholars)

Female: 274 Male: 622 F-1: 817 J-1: 38 Other: 41



Top 5 Majors

Undergraduate:

Management: 48

Mechanical Engineering: 41

Electrical Engineering: 32

International Business: 32

Computer Science: 26

Graduate:

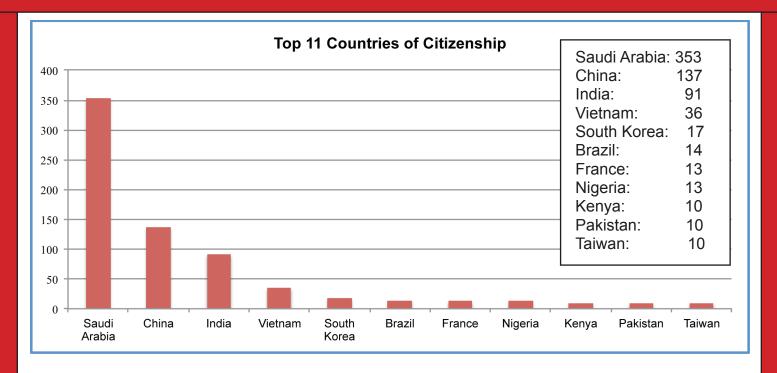
Computer Science: 33

Public Health: 31

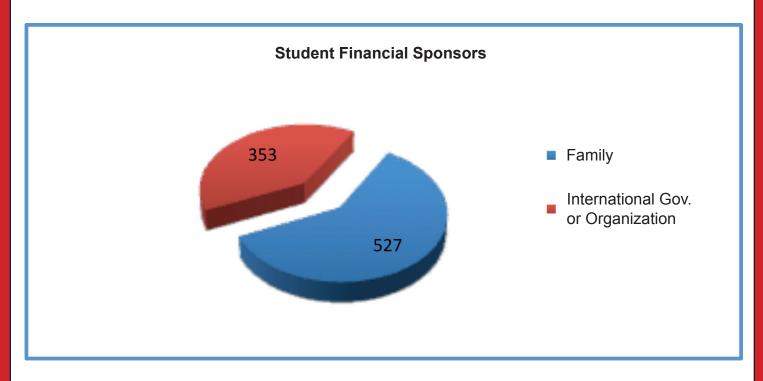
Chemistry: 26

Health Administration: 23

Engineering Technology: 15



According to federal regulations, international students are not eligible to receive federal or state financial aid. Therefore, international students depend on family, foreign governments or organizations to fund their education in the States.



During the 2011-2012 academic year, United States hosted more than 700,000 international students, scholars and their dependents. Without a doubt, international students' populations across the country enhanced diversity and enrich academics on our campuses. Additionally, <u>NAFSA (National Association of International Educators)</u> estimates that international students and their dependents contributed approximately \$21.81 billion to the U.S. economy. For more information on the impact of international students to the U.S.economy, please visit the <u>NAFSA website</u>.