International Students in American Colleges and Universities: A History

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ABSTRACT

International Students in American Colleges and Universities: A History provides a comprehensive historical overview of international student exchange in the U.S. The purpose of this book is to trace the history of international students in institutions of American higher education by enumerating why and how international students have studied in the U.S. since the 18th century. It also provides an overview of international students’ impact on American higher education and society. International educators will not only obtain historical knowledge of international students but also become enlightened about the field of internationalization.
US universities are the most international in the world. Over a million foreign students study here. In some universities, their ratio is estimated at 40-50% of the total number of students. Many foreigners choose the United States as their study destination solely due to its multicultural environment. Competitive environment. It is a crucial factor for the development of US education: universities compete for brilliant students, professors compete for remarkable research grants, and students compete for excellent grades and scholarships. In most countries, universities are considered to be better and more prestigious than colleges. But that is not the case in America. Here both types of four-year institutions are
academically equal. At the same time, both have their pros and cons. International Student Services. Adjusting to an American Education. Studying in Another Language. US College Terminology. You can choose from thousands of colleges and universities in America, but nearly all fit into one of three categories: Community Colleges, Undergraduate Colleges and Universities, Graduate Colleges and Universities. Which should you choose? Community Colleges. Public colleges and universities rely on money from the state where they are located. Annual tuition costs less for students who are residents of that same state. Private colleges and universities don’t rely on state funds, and tuition is the same for all students no matter where they reside. At many large schools you can choose from dozens of majors and hundreds of classes.