



# EducationUSA

## Baltics Fairs

**Vilnius, Lithuania: November 9**

**Daugavpils, Latvia: November 10**

**Riga, Latvia: November 12**

**Tallinn, Estonia: November 13**



Your Official Source on U.S. Higher Education



# EducationUSA

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The EducationUSA Advising Centers offer a wide range of services for individuals who are interested in study and research opportunities in the United States.

## **Vilnius Educational Advising Center**

Sauletekio 9, VU Informaciniu technologiju taikymo centras, 107 kabinetas  
Vilnius, Lithuania

**www.studinfo.lt**

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/educationusa.vilnius](http://www.facebook.com/educationusa.vilnius)

## **USA Information Center Daugavpils**

Latgale Central Library  
Rigas Street 22a  
Daugavpils, Latvia

**www.lcb.lv/asvinfo**

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/InfoUSADaugavpils](http://www.facebook.com/InfoUSADaugavpils)

## **EducationUSA at RTU Riga Business School**

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Riga, Latvia

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## **EducationUSA Advising Center**

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The U.S. Education Fair will provide you with innumerable opportunities to talk with representatives from U.S. colleges and universities that are actively seeking students just like you. For many of you who cannot visit the colleges you are interested in, this is your chance to learn first-hand about the particular schools, and for the representatives to meet and learn a bit about you!

**Take a few minutes to review the school profiles.** We hope that you have had an opportunity to do some advance research about the schools participating in the fair today. The college and universities profiles on the fair webpage will help you learn about participating institutions so that you can use your time efficiently.

**Formulate questions that will give you information that is useful in your search.** This can be done before even stepping foot in the education fair, but as you become engaged in this process, you will think of many more questions.

**Don't be afraid. Approach representatives and ask questions.** If you feel embarrassed at first, observe others. The representatives who are at the fair are skilled in helping students get started.

**Provide information about yourself.** It is important that you give information about yourself to the representatives so that they can follow up, sending information about areas of the college that might interest you. You can complete an inquiry card at the fair or beforehand.

Fill out cards legibly and with dark pen  
 There is no cost to you  
 Completing a card does not mean you want to attend the institution  
 Do not abbreviate, if possible  
 Make sure you write your complete mailing address and email address  
 Answer all questions

**Your behavior leaves an impression--use this to your benefit.** Introduce yourself and never just pick up brochures and pamphlets and then walk away without speaking to the representative.

**Do not go from table to table in a group or follow friends around.** The college search is very personal, and your talks with the college representatives should be as well.

**Keep an open mind.** With over four thousand colleges and universities in the U.S., it is impossible to know about all of them. The education fair gives you an opportunity to learn something new about a school you would have never considered.

**After the Fair.** After the fair, talk with your parents about what you learned, perhaps even make some notes in a journal while your thoughts are fresh. If you were especially impressed with a college, you may want to follow up with the representative. You may contact that person via email, telephone or regular mail.

*Adapted from the Council of International Schools*

### Sample Questions to Ask College Representatives

- What is the ratio of students to faculty?
- How accessible are professors outside of class?
- How active is your international student affairs office and what programs do they offer throughout the year?
- What do students like most about college? Like least?
- What are the dominant social groups on campus?
- What are the most popular/famous programs on campus?
- What might students do on a typical weekend?
- What housing opportunities are available (on-campus dormitories, apartments, co-ops, off-campus housing)?
- What is the graduation rate? What is the graduation rate for international students?
- What kind of career services are available for international students?
- Do you offer deferred admissions?
- Can international students work on campus?

### KEY TO COMMON DEGREE ABBREVIATIONS

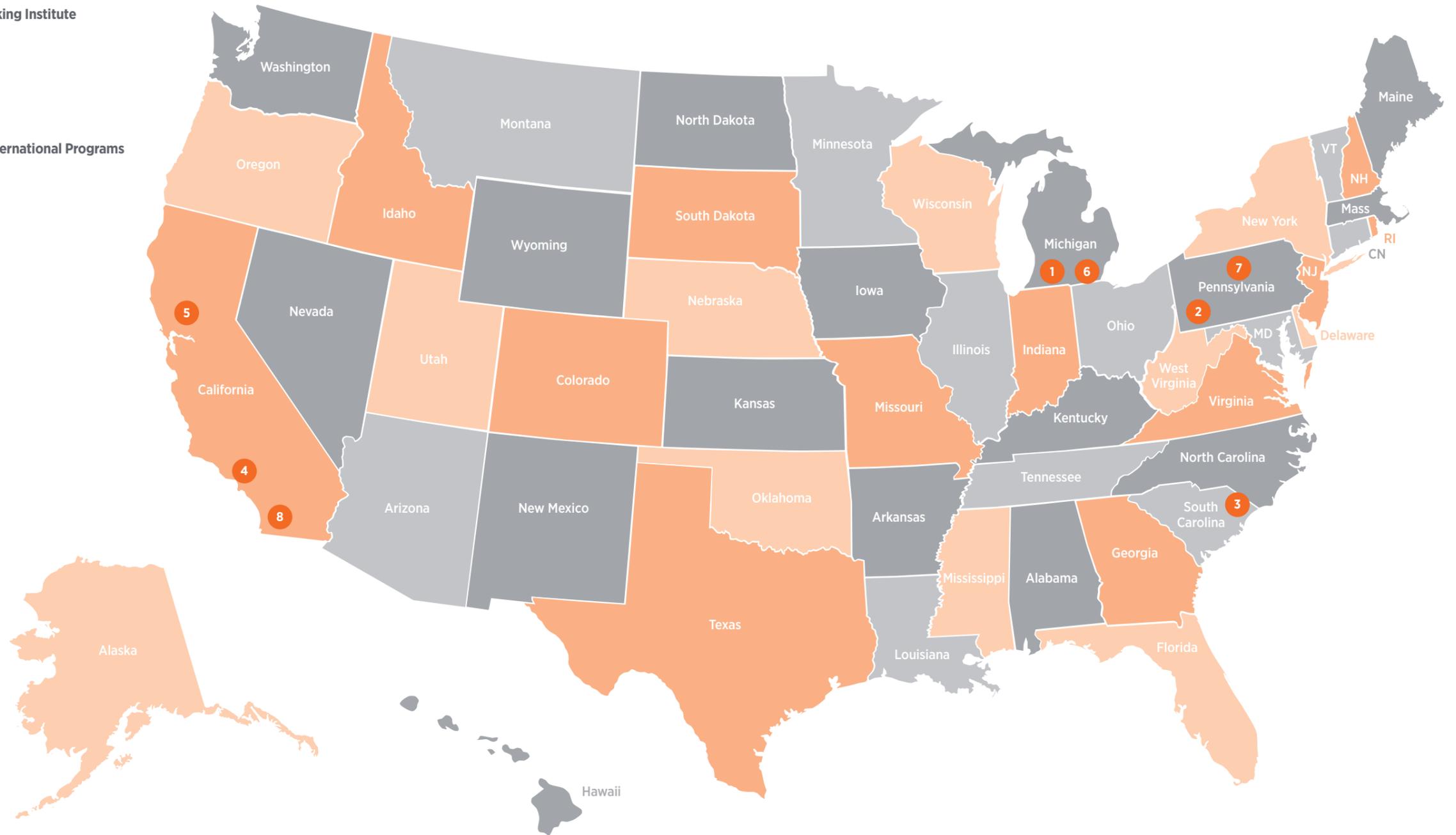
A.A.	Associate of Arts
A.A.S.	Associate of Applied Science
A.S.	Associate of Science
B.A.	Bachelor of Arts
B.S.	Bachelor of Science
B.F.A.	Bachelor of Fine Arts
B.S.F.S.	Bachelor of Science in Foreign Service
J.D.	Doctor of Jurisprudence
LL.M.	Master of Laws
M.A.	Master of Arts
M.B.A.	Master of Business Administration
M.D.	Doctor of Medicine
M.Eng.	Master of Engineering
M.F.A.	Master of Fine Arts
M.P.A.	Master of Public Administration
M.P.H.	Master of Public Health
Ph.D.	Doctor of Philosophy
R.N.	Registered Nurse

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For more information about studying in the U.S., please visit the EducationUSA website or an EducationUSA Advising Center near you  
[www.educationusa.state.gov](http://www.educationusa.state.gov)

- 1. Alma College
- 2. Carnegie Mellon University, Information Networking Institute
- 3. Coastal Carolina University
- 4. College of the Canyons
- 5. Foothill + De Anza Colleges
- 6. Grand Valley State University
- 7. Saint Francis University
- 8. University of California, San Diego Extension International Programs
- 9. ETS\*

\*Not shown on map



**Alma College (Alma, MI)**

Alma College's mission is to prepare graduates who think critically, serve generously, and lead purposefully. Located in Alma, Michigan, 2 hours northwest of Detroit, Alma enrolls 1,400 undergraduate students from 27 states and ten foreign countries. We deliver an outstanding education in a unique learning environment with modest class sizes. Colleges of Distinction, Fiske Guide to Colleges, Great Value Colleges, and the Princeton Review recognize Alma College for its high quality and great value. Our student delegation has won the Model UN competition 19 years in a row, the most of any college/university.

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**Carnegie Mellon University, Information Networking Institute (Pittsburgh, PA)**

The Information Networking Institute, which is the education arm of CyLab, one of the largest university-based cybersecurity research and education centers in the U.S., offers master's degree programs in the fields of information security, information networking, mobility, and software management. The 16-20 month programs are designed for individuals with a background in computer science/computer engineering to study advanced technical skills and concepts in these areas while exposing them to the business/management and policy aspects of the technology world. The INI also offers a certificate in Cyber Forensics and Incident Response and is taught by the CERT Coordination Center, part of the U.S. Department of Defense's Software Engineering Institute located at Carnegie Mellon.

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**Coastal Carolina University (Conway, SC)**

Coastal Carolina University is a public liberal arts and sciences university enrolling 10,000 students from 59 countries, located 12km from the resort destination of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Students have the opportunity to study in over 70 degree programs including business management, hospitality and tourism, computer science,

biochemistry, information systems, and a one year MBA and Masters of Accounting graduate programs. In addition, CCU has one of the largest Marine Science Programs in the Eastern USA. CCU also offers over 200 student organizations, exciting Division 1 athletics, and academic scholarships upon admission. CCU's mid size student enrollment ensures all students are actively engaged in the learning process through small classes.

**Contact:** [internationaladmissions@coastal.edu](mailto:internationaladmissions@coastal.edu)  
[www.coastal.edu/admissions/international.html](http://www.coastal.edu/admissions/international.html)

**College of the Canyons (Santa Clarita, CA)**

College of the Canyons (COC) is situated in the beautiful community of Santa Clarita. The city is one of the safest cities in California. At COC, we are proud of our top academic ranking and our amazing success at placing students into top Bachelor degree programs throughout the United States. As an international student at COC, you will experience a vibrant campus community with individualized educational plans to help you achieve academic goals. We have academic agreements with top schools such as UCLA that pave the way for our students to enter the dream college of their choice.

**Contact:** [ISP@canyons.edu](mailto:ISP@canyons.edu)  
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**ETS - TOEFL and GRE Tests (Princeton, NJ)**

At nonprofit ETS, we advance quality and equity in education for people worldwide by creating assessments based on rigorous research. ETS develops, administers and scores more than 50 million tests annually. The TOEFL® test is the most widely respected English-language test in the world, recognized by more than 9,000 colleges, universities and agencies in more than 130 countries. Wherever you want to study, the TOEFL test can help you get there. The GRE® revised General Test gives you the Power of Confidence so you can do your best and is accepted by thousands of graduate and business schools worldwide.

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**Foothill + De Anza Colleges (Los Altos Hills, CA)**

Located in Silicon Valley, near San Francisco, Foothill and De Anza Colleges provide students with the opportunity to build the foundation for a successful future. Our students complete their first two years with us and then transfer into the third year of prestigious universities such as UC Berkeley, UCLA, Stanford, USC, MIT, Columbia, and more. In fact, we send the most students to the University of California and California State University. We offer flexible admission to over 100 majors, an affordable tuition cost of \$6,500 a year, and guaranteed or preferred admission to 18 universities, including 6 University of California campuses.

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**Grand Valley State University (Allendale, MI)**

Grand Valley State University is located in beautiful Grand Rapids, Michigan, which is three hours east of Chicago and two hours west of Detroit. The Grand Rapids region is home to the sixth largest concentration of biopharmaceutical firms in the United States and 17 multinational corporations. Grand Valley has over 25,000 students and over 200 academic programs. Our average class size is 28 and with faculty members, not graduate assistants, teaching all classes, students will find a personal and meaningful learning environment. A Grand Valley education extends beyond the classroom — over 7,000 students gain real-world experience every year through co-ops, work experiences and internships.

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**St. Francis University (Loretto, PA)**

Saint Francis University (SFU) is a private Catholic University located in scenic natural setting on the east coast of the United States, near to Washington, D.C., Pittsburgh and New York City. SFU offers state-of-the-art technological facilities, modern residence halls, Division-I sports facilities and shopping, eating and club activities in one of the safest campus environments in the United States. The student-to-teacher ratio is 14:1 and class sizes are kept small with one-to-one contact with professors. Our students enjoy a friendly, supportive environment with high academic standards. Conditional admission is available through our intensive English Program, and generous scholarships for international students are available.

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**University of California, San Diego Extension International Programs (La Jolla, CA)**

University of California, San Diego is ranked 14th internationally in the 2014 academic rankings of world universities conducted by Shanghai Jiao Tong University in China, and 8th overall in the USA. With a faculty of 6 Nobel Prize recipients, UC San Diego is recognized throughout the world for its great beach-front location, research, faculty members, and for its "top-notch" graduate and undergraduate programs. University of California, San Diego Extension International Programs is a department of UC San Diego which offers short-term and intensive English language programs for professional and academic development, university credit programs (short-term study abroad), and professional certificates to help students or professionals achieve academic or career goals.

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	Number of Students				Institution Information									Able to enroll international students as:				Under-graduate Funding Available			Graduate Funding Available			Degrees Offered						
	Undergraduate	Graduate	International Undergraduate	International Graduate	Public, Non-profit	Private, Non-Profit	Private, For-Profit	Community College	Women's College	Liberal Arts	American University Abroad	Arts	STEM	F1	J1	M1	Online	Merit Scholarships	Need-based Financial Aid	Athletic Scholarships	Merit Scholarships	Assistantships	Need-based Financial Aid	Associate	Bachelor	LLM	Master	MBA	Doctoral	
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**Step 1:** Research Your Options

**Step 2:** Finance Your Studies

**Step 3:** Complete Your Application

**Step 4:** Apply for Your Student Visa

**Step 5:** Prepare for Your Departure

**Learn more at [EducationUSA.state.gov](https://www.educationusa.state.gov)**

