

# national student



As college students search for rich experiential opportunities to add to their education portfolio, collegiate study away is a solution. Many students seek travel and new academic opportunities throughout other parts of the country; NSE enhances this process.

NSE member campuses report domestic study away as a high impact practice supporting student satisfaction and persistence. NSE study away fits into university initiatives for global engagement by promoting the diversity of North America throughout the U.S. and Canada. Membership options and tuition reciprocity allows campuses to expand their institutional resources and develop flexible academic partnerships.

The NSE consortium is funded through institutional membership and student application fees. It is facilitated by an administrative office and supported by a governing board elected from within the membership. The values that guide us are found in our mission; **National Student Exchange inspires academic enrichment, personal exploration, and student development by facilitating collegiate study away among our member campuses.** 





National Student Exchange provides accessible, affordable collegiate study away opportunities within a premier network of colleges and universities throughout United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

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#### **STUDENT PLACEMENTS**

2023-2024 **1,318** 

1968-2024 **126,499** 

### Why Students Choose NSE







DIFFERENT AREA



# High Impact Learning Outcomes

97% **OF NSE STUDENTS INDICATE EXCHANGE HELPED THEM GAIN MORE PERSONAL INSIGHT** 

97% **OF NSE STUDENTS INDICATE EXCHANGE AIDED** THEIR ABILITY TO SOLVE PROBLEMS AND **ADAPT TO NEW SITUATIONS** 

92% **OF NSE STUDENTS INDICATE EXCHANGE INCREASED THEIR ABILITY TO INTERACT WITH PEOPLE OF DIFFERENT BACKGROUNDS** 

**OF NSE STUDENTS INDICATE EXCHANGE HELPED THEM TO BECOME MORE RECEPTIVE TO DIFFERENT VIEWPOINTS** 

# Our Students

NSE serves the needs of prospective students seeking study away throughout our member campus consortium. Demographic information collected from student applicants indicates that NSE is a desirable option for accessible and affordable study away.

- 53% of NSE applicants identify as a firstgeneration student
- 48% of NSE applicants identify as being Pell Grant eligible or high financial need
- 42% of NSE applicants identify as black, Indigenous, or persons of color

NSE surveys students at the time of application and at the conclusion of each semester to affirm exchange learning outcomes and student satisfaction. Students indicate their top motives for pursuing exchange include personal growth, desire to live a new area, and the ability to access new and different courses.

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# Student Achievement Awards

#### DR. RICHARD R. BOND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AWARD

#### **OLIVIA BERNDT**

Fall 2023 Sociology of Law

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities to University of Hawaii Hilo

MADALYN FRIEND

Fall 2023





#### WENDEL WICKLAND **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Agricultural Communications Iowa State University to Oklahoma State University

#### **BETTE WORLEY STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

NORA GIANNETTI Spring 2024 Finance University of Massachusetts Amherst to University of Hawaii Manoa





# Members 2023-2024

#### ALABAMA

Alabama State University Tuskegee University University of Alabama University of Montevallo

#### ALASKA

University of Alaska Anchorage University of Alaska Fairbanks University of Alaska Southeast

#### ARIZONA

Northern Arizona University University of Arizona

ARKANSAS Arkansas Tech University University of Central Arkansas

#### CALIFORNIA

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo California State University, Chico California State University, East Bay California State University, Monterey Bay California State University, Northridge California State University, San Bernardino California State University, Stanislaus Sonoma State University

#### COLORADO

Colorado Mesa Unaiversity Colorado State University-Pueblo University of Colorado, Colorado Springs Western Colorado University

CONNECTICUT Eastern Connecticut State University

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA** American University

FLORIDA Florida A&M University Florida International University New College of Florida

GFORGIA University of Georgia

#### HAWAII

University of Hawaii at Hilo University of Hawaii at Manoa

#### IDAHO

Boise State University Idaho State University Lewis-Clark State College University of Idaho

University of Illinois Springfield

INDIANA Indiana University-Indianapolis Purdue University-Fort Wayne

IOWA Iowa State University University of Northern Iowa

KANSAS Fort Hays State University Wichita State University

KENTUCKY University of Kentucky Western Kentucky University

#### LOUISIANA

Dillard University Louisiana State University Louisiana State University of Alexandria Northwestern State University Southern University University of New Orleans

MAINE University of Maine at Farmington

#### MARYLAND

Bowie State University Frostburg State University Salisbury University Towson University

#### MASSACHUSETTS

Bridgewater State University Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts Salem State University University of Massachusetts at Amherst University of Massachusetts at Boston Westfield State University Worcester State University

#### MICHIGAN

Oakland University University of Michigan-Flint

#### **MINNESOTA**

Augsburg University College of St. Scholastica Gustavus Adolphus College Minnesota State University, Mankato Minnesota State University, Moorhead St. Cloud State University St. Olaf College University of Minnesota, Duluth University of Minnesota, Morris University of Minnesota, Rochester University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

MISSISSIPPI Mississippi State University

MISSOURI Missouri Southern State University

#### MONTANA

Montana State University Rocky Mountain College University of Montana University of Montana Western

NEBRASKA University of Nebraska at Kearney University of Nebraska Omaha

NEVADA University of Nevada, Las Vegas

**NEW HAMPSHIRE** Keene State College Southern New Hampshire University University of New Hampshire

**NEW JERSEY** Montclair State University New Jersey City University Rutgers School of Arts and Sciences Rutgers University - Newark Stockton University William Paterson University of New lersev

NEW MEXICO New Mexico State University University of New Mexico

#### NEW YORK

Buffalo State University Paul Smith's College Queens College, CUNY Stony Brook University SUNY Plattsburgh SUNY Potsdam

#### NORTH CAROLINA

Fayetteville State University Mars Hill University North Carolina Central University

NORTH DAKOTA North Dakota State University

OHIO **Cleveland State University** 

#### OKLAHOMA

East Central University Oklahoma State University

#### OREGON

Eastern Oregon University Southern Oregon University

PENNSYLVANIA

Widener University RHODE ISLAND Rhode Island College

University of Rhode Island

SOUTH CAROLINA South Carolina State University Winthrop University

SOUTH DAKOTA South Dakota State University University of South Dakota

TENNESSEE

Austin Peay State University University of Memphis

#### TEXAS

Prairie View A&M University Sam Houston State University Tarleton State University Texas A&M University Texas A&M University - Kingsville Texas State University University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

#### UTAH

Southern Utah University Utah State University Utah Valley University Weber State University

#### VERMONT

Vermont State University

#### VIRGINIA

Marymount University Virginia State University Washington Alexandria Architecture Center

#### WASHINGTON

Eastern Washington University Washington State University Western Washington University

WEST VIRGINIA Marshall University

Western Oregon University

Pennsylvania Western University Thomas Jefferson University West Chester University

Middle Tennesee State University

West Virginia University

#### WISCONSIN

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire University of Wisconsin-Green Bay University of Wisconsin-La Crosse University of Wisconsin-Parkside University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point University of Wisconsin-Superior University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

WYOMING University of Wyoming

GUAM University of Guam

#### PUERTO RICO

Inter American University, Arecibo Inter American University, Barranguitas Inter American University, Metropolitan Inter American University, San German Polytechnic University Universidad del Sagrado Corazon University of Puerto Rico, Bayamon University of Puerto Rico, Cayey University of Puerto Rico, Humacao University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras University of Puerto Rico, Utuado

**U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS** University of the Virgin Islands, St. Croix University of the Virgin Islands, St. Thomas

#### CANADA

ALBERTA University of Alberta University of Calgary

MANITOBA Brandon University

NOVA SCOTIA Cape Breton University

**ONTARIO** Brock University Lakehead University University of Ottawa

QUEBEC Universite de Montreal Universite de Sherbrooke Universite du Quebec a Montreal

SASKATCHEWAN University of Regina

# Year In Review

The 2023-24 year included new proposals to extend the reach of NSE exchange to more students throughout the United States and Canada. NSE continues to focus on accessible and affordable experiential options for all students to expand their academic curriculum.

The NSE membership worked together to advance experiential education and student opportunities.

- Welcomed coordinators to our Annual Conference in Birmingham, Alabama.
- Facilitated five campus familiarization tours in conjunction with the Annual Conference.
- Onboarded seven new campuses in six states to the NSE membership. •
- Hosted the virtual Priority Placement Event in March 2024 allowing campus coordinators to prioritize student • placements from the home campus.
- Added new exchange options bringing increased accessibility to students seeking exchange. Opportunities for first-year students to apply for exchange, community college partnerships for exchange, and guest student exchange were approved by the NSE Council.
- Supported 15 students with the Application Fee Award for Priority Placements. The NSE Application Fee Award honors the NSE 50th Anniversary and supports exchange-bound students in meeting the cost of the application fee. Annually offering ten awards, NSE offered 5 additional awards in 2024 in memory of Richard R. Bond (1927-2023), NSE founder.

The NSE consortium continued campus membership growth in 2023-24 as colleges and universities looked for study away options to expand their campus portfolios. NSE invested time and resources in projects and activities related to new program accessibility, membership onboarding, student recruitment and marketing, and support of campus coordinator transitions.

NSE established recruitment goals based on campus enrollment and placement history to aid campuses in recruitment planning and assisted the campus queries of eligible students to publicize the NSE program. The organization worked toward more efficient online resources, placement procedures, methods of communication, and coordinator management.

Representatives of NSE member campuses met in Birmingham, Alabama, October 17-20, 2023, Birmingham and Alabama are recognized for historical importance to the Civil Rights Movement, and the conference included visits to the Edmund Pettus Bridge and Montgomery Legacy Museum.

Professional development sessions, consortium business meeting, and coordinator networking sessions were attended. The keynote speaker was Salaam Green, University of Montevallo alumna, and Birmingham Poet Laureate.





Campus familiarity tours were hosted at the following campuses:

- Alabama State University
- Mississippi State University
- Tuskegee University
- University of Alabama
- University of Montevallo

# Financial

#### Overview 2023-2024

#### INCOME

	Total	\$451,541
EXPENSES		
	Total	\$463,530
Net		< \$11,989 >
Reserve		\$1,005,434

National Student Exchange is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization committed to transparency and accountability. Our finances are independently audited and we annually file IRS Form 990 which is available publicly on GuideStar Exchange.

### Coordinator Development

NSE is dedicated to the education and development of campus coordinators working with the campus program. As staffing and program changes occur, new coordinators attend the NSE Professional Institute (NPI) orientation programs and enroll in an online course providing an overview of NSE policies and procedures. We welcomed 68 new coordinators to NSE during 2023-24. NSE hosted 15 additional professional development webinars for new and veteran coordinators with more than 800 persons in attendance throughout the year.

### Governance and Administration

The National Student Exchange governing board, the NSE Council, is composed of the president, vice president, and five NSE Coordinators elected from each of the NSE geographic regions. Council members are elected for a three-year term. The Council meets virtually in the fall and in-person in the spring with informal business conducted during monthly conference calls.

## Membership Zones

NSE campus membership zones represent states, provinces, and areas as follows.

#### ZONE 1

Canada, Alaska, Hawaii, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands

#### **ZONE 2**

Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming

#### ZONE 3

Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, Wisconsin

#### ZONE 4

Connecticut, D.C., Maine, New Hampshire, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont

#### ZONE 5

Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia



#### **NSE COUNCIL**

2021-2024 Luis Irizarry University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras ZONE 1

2023-2026 Greg Golden University of New Mexico ZONE 2

2021-2024 Asha McCauley, Council Chair Indiana University-Indianapolis ZONE 3

2021-2024 Erika Benhardt Stony Brook University ZONE 4

2023-2026 Stacy Jones University of Alabama ZONE 5

#### **NSE STAFF**

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