

International Day

Saturday, 9 November, was the 32nd annual International Day at the Colorado School of Mines. Students set up display tables to show something of their countries and to serve typical foods. In the evening was a talent and fashion show. These photos show some of the presentations.



Chinese food and character drawing

Iran food table



3 Chinese friends, finishing Ph.D.s Wife Gail, Christelle (Rwanda)

After we obtained food samples we sat in the main room with friends and met new people, both foreign students and local residents.



Show hosts from China and Nepal



Indonesian students presenting folk tale from Bali



Friend from Iran



Chinese students in dance of Tibet

Malaysia dance ->





An orchestra of traditional Chinese instruments



Singers from Thailand

Expert Chinese musicians

This year there are 672 international students from 77 nations studying at Colorado School of Mines. Some are visiting scholars and there may be additional international faculty. This is a small and difficult engineering school, so these are some of the best students from their countries and future leaders in their fields.

Yesterday's newspaper reported about international students in America and Colorado. There are 8983 international students in Colorado universities this year, including 1910 at the University of Colorado in Boulder, 1598 in Colorado State University in Fort Collins, 1590 in the University of Denver (where I teach). 25.4 percent are from China, 15.9 percent from Saudi Arabia, 9.4 percent from India, 4.1 percent from South Korea, and 2.8 percent from Qatar. The bad news is that out-of-state students may pay more at state universities for tuition and fees than students who have lived in the state for awhile. That cost is about \$32,362 per year in Boulder, for example. My university is also expensive but I am not aware of any difference for out-of-state students.

Nationally for 2012-2013 there were 819,644 international students in America. 28.7 percent were from China, 11.8 percent from India, 8.6 percent from South Korea, 5.4 percent from Saudi Arabia, and 3.3 percent from Canada. The greatest numbers were 9840 at the University of Southern California, 9804 at the University of Illinois, 9509 at Purdue University, 9362 at New York University, and 8797 at Columbia University.

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