International PhDs

Approximately 75 percent of science and engineering doctorate recipients with visas intend to stay in the United States upon graduation. About 50 percent of all science and engineering doctoral graduates had a definite plans to stay through a firm work offer in the United States from 2016–2019.

About one-third of the current graduate student population in science are temporary visa holders, and over half of all postdocs in science are non-U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

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