

# What is the AMERICA YOU SEE ?

**International exchange participants are key parts of our everyday lives, from our businesses to our schools and beyond. Because of exchanges, America is:**



## **SAFER ABROAD.**

Having friends around the world strengthens our position in times of peace and crisis.

**600+** current and former **heads of government** are alumni of U.S. exchange programs.

Exchanges strengthen our relationships with **more than 100 countries** every year.



## **STRONGER AT HOME.**

At the heart of the American experience is community.

**80%** of surveyed Americans say that international exchange programs enhance the image of their **community as a good place to live.**

**All 50 states** host international exchange participants, who support the local economy during their stays.



## **OPEN FOR BUSINESS.**

A strong economy relies on strong exports and investments.

International education is one of America's top exports, adding **\$37.68 billion to the nation's economy** in 2021-22.

During the 2022-23 academic year, international students contributed **\$40.1 billion to the U.S. economy.**



## **PREPARED FOR SUCCESS.**

In our rapidly changing world, securing a competitive advantage is a must.

In 2024, **87%** of surveyed **youth** believe travel experiences **increase employability.**

In 2019, **more than 31 million job openings** required skills that a student gains while studying abroad.

**This is the America we see.**

Learn more about the value of international exchanges today:



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