Doctoral Dissertations on
International Students Published in 2015

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The purpose of this section is to share recent doctoral dissertations with the *Journal of International Students* readers. This section includes 100 doctoral dissertations related to the issues and challenges of international students in the United States and Canada. The complete versions of these selected dissertations are available in the ProQuest, Michigan-based electronic publisher.

ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Global is the world's most comprehensive collection of dissertations and theses from around the world, spanning from 1743 to the present day. This database found 17,093 dissertation results from 1922-2016 when I searched the keywords “international student” in its search engine. This does not mean all dissertations/theses were related to international students as the keywords may appear in many other disciplines. The universities with the highest number of dissertations related to international education/international students were:

- University of Southern California: 386
- Indiana University: 381
- University of Toronto (Canada): 368
- University of Minnesota: 295
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign: 284
- The Ohio State University: 280
- The Pennsylvania State University: 266
- Purdue University: 236
- Michigan State University: 233
- Walden University: 210
Some of the top index terms (keyword) related to international student search were: higher education (2,983), multicultural education (1,434), school administration (1,176), bilingual education (1,059), educational leadership (863), educational psychology (838), mathematics education (719), teacher education (641), and secondary education (621). Written in 1922, *The Foreign Student on the American Campus* (by Anne Elizabeth Neely, the University of Chicago) was the oldest dissertation related to international student.

ProQuest database indicated 1,403 results related to international student with 1,220 full texts since 2015. In another manual search by reading the titles of the doctoral dissertations published in last 12 months (January - December 2015), I found 100 doctoral dissertations on “international students.” These dissertations were published from a variety of disciplines from American and Canadian universities.


Done Choudhury, A. (2015). *Identifying behaviours and attitudes that contribute to a successful negotiation of international student


Onyenekwu, I. U. (2015). "I am not beneath you because I am from a different continent, I am also like you!": Nigerian college students make meaning of racial and ethnic identity at a predominantly white


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