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### Economics

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**The Mobility of students and the highly skilled: implications for education financing and economic policy**, ed. by Marcel Gérard and Silke Uebelmesser. MIT, 2015. 346p bibl index afp ISBN 9780262028172, \$35.00.

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The international migration of highly skilled workers has implications for national economies, aiding higher growth and innovation in host countries at the expense of the country of origin. This book focuses on how the rise in international college students (increasing from less than 1 million in 1975 to almost 4 million in 2009) has boosted high-skilled migration, and how education policy has both affected and been affected by these changes. Drawing on work presented at a 2012 conference, Gérard (Univ. of Louvain, Belgium) and Uebelmesser (Univ. of Jena, Germany) have edited a collection of essays that examines these interrelationships. Using international data and a range of empirical techniques, the authors lay out the dimensions and direction of student and worker mobility; identify the factors that make it likely that international students will migrate after graduation; and discuss optimal education policy strategies to address the impact of the migration of highly skilled workers on economic development. This volume presents useful information and analysis for students and researchers interested in the determinants and effects of the migration of high-skilled workers, economic development, and the financing of education.

--J. M. Burke, Mount Holyoke College

Summing Up: Recommended. Upper-division undergraduate students through researchers.