

International Student Services and Programs

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International students enjoy meeting new friends at student orientation.

California State University, Fresno, welcomes you as an international student. We provide a comfortable environment that allows you to make the most of your educational experience.

CSU Fresno attracts international students from more than 80 countries and has one of the largest international student populations in the CSU system, numbering nearly 1,000.

The university employs international and multi-ethnic faculty and staff. Many of these people work with you directly to assist you in attaining your educational goals and making the critical personal and cultural adjustments necessary for success.

The International Student Services and Programs Office is primarily responsible for assisting you. Being an international staff ourselves, we understand your goals, ambitions, and home country and family expectations.

We process your application for admission and evaluate your courses for transfer credit. Upon admission, international students receive information regarding arrival in the United States, visa and immigration, housing in the Fresno area, and registration. After arrival, the staff guides you through several mandatory preregistration workshops, postadmission English testing, and registration. You may be enrolled in English as a Foreign



Language courses your first semester. (See *International Programs — Special Programs* section.) Some of the other opportunities available to you include the following:

Help with housing is available. An American family or a student from your country can meet you at the airport when you first arrive and provide some short-stay emergency housing. The International staff is available to assist you in obtaining housing.

Learn about Americans by making friends with families through our International Friendship Program.

Enjoy recreational activities with fellow classmates by participation in trips and activities.

Take advantage of opportunities to share your country and culture with the Fresno community and the CSU Fresno campus by speaking to small groups through our International Speaker's Program.

Join the many international clubs or any of the 200 other organizations available on campus. Participate in and enjoy the varied cultural programs during the year, such as International Week, International Night, Mooncake

Festival, Malaysia Night, and other national day celebrations.

Learn about travel and study in another culture by using our Resource Center and talking to the coordinators in the following programs: International, Study Abroad, and National Student Exchange. (See *International Programs: Overseas and National Student Exchange — Special Programs* section.)

The foreign student advisers take a personal interest in helping you adjust to the university's academic requirements, as well as resolve your own personal concerns, such as financial problems, immigration matters, and personal problems. Agency and foreign government sponsored students participate in our Sponsored Student Program.

We offer you more than good weather, a reasonable cost of living, and excellent selections in undergraduate and graduate academic programs. We care about your development as a whole person; that your stay and learning in the United States be worthwhile. We believe your experience and involvement in the United States will enrich your life, as well as our university. We look forward to sharing this experience with you. 