

INTERNATIONAL (FOREIGN) STUDENTS

Fresno State College regularly enrolls a significant number of students from abroad. The International Student Counseling Office staff, under the direction of the Student Counseling Center, assists foreign students with academic and personal problems, and housing (see *Student Housing*), as well as governmental and legal aspects of their stay. A special orientation program is planned and required of all foreign students prior to registration. Students should notify the International Student Counseling Office of their arrival plans and consult them immediately upon arrival on campus for verification of enrollment, orientation, and assistance (see *Regulations and Procedures—Admissions*).

Students from abroad must have sufficient understanding and proficiency in use of the English language to be successful in their course work at Fresno State College (see *English Proficiency Test for Foreign Students*). A special program of English language and American studies courses is available to assist students whose previous instruction has been in a language other than English. (See *International Studies—Campus Program*). Except for the few who are employed as graduate assistants, students must have sufficient funds so that they will not need employment during the first year at the college and should plan to register for the minimum legal number of courses each semester, which for undergraduate students on "F" or "J" type visas is 12 units and for graduate students is 6 units. These are the minimum-unit loads foreign students must carry in order to keep their student visas valid and to qualify for a partial fee waiver (see *Schedule of Fees*). They are also required to participate in the college health insurance program.

The International Student Counseling Office also coordinates campus and community activities for foreign students. These are designed to enhance their educational experiences in the United States. Students should consult the International Student Counseling Office for information pertaining to these activities. Foreign graduate students should refer to the *School of Graduate Studies*.

STUDENT ABSENCES

Students are expected to maintain regular attendance at classes. Extended absences (more than one week) due to illness, death in the immediate family, or other extraordinary emergencies, should be reported immediately to the Counseling Office which will notify the faculty concerned. When any absence occurs, however, the student should contact the instructors involved concerning the possibility of making up the work missed.

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICE

The objective of the Student Health Service is to keep the student in a state of optimum health, both physically and mentally, so that he may realize to the fullest the opportunities afforded by Fresno State College. The health services are sponsored jointly by the college and the student body, the latter participating by means of a \$2 health fee each semester.

The Student Health Service is housed in its own building, with four well-equipped doctors' suites, physiotherapy, laboratory and X-ray facilities, nurses' treatment rooms, secretarial office, and waiting room. It is open each school day during hours posted at the entrance to the building. At these times registered nurses are on duty and physicians are available for consultation. Many medical specialties are represented among the part-time and full-time physicians, affording a high standard of medical care.

During hours when the offices are closed, a qualified student may secure the services of his own physician, in which case the Student Health Service will allow \$5 toward the cost of one office visit or \$10 toward the cost of one residence visit for any one illness. In addition, an excellent student sickness and accident insurance policy is offered through the Health Service.