

with disabilities.. The services include priority registration; orientation for new disabled students to the campus; specially equipped disabled students study room in the library; readers for the visually impaired, interpreters for the hearing impaired, mobility assistance, specialized instructional materials, specially designated parking, and many other services.

The rights of students with disabilities are protected by the Student Grievance Procedure; copies are obtainable from the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs or from Disabled Student Services. These procedures comply with the state and federal laws that relate to students with handicaps.

INTERNATIONAL (FOREIGN) STUDENTS

California State University, Fresno, regularly enrolls a significant number of students from abroad. The International Student Counseling Office staff, under the direction of the 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. Foreign students wishing to change their major should personally initiate the change with their International Student Counselor. A special orientation program is planned and required of all new foreign students prior to registration their first semester. Students should notify the International Student Counseling Office of their arrival plans and contact the office immediately upon arrival on campus for verification of enrollment, orientation, and assistance (See *General Information—Admission to the University*).

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International students must have sufficient understanding and proficiency in use of the English language to be successful in their course work at the university (see *Entrance Requirements*). A special program of English language and American studies, International Studies Courses (ISC), may be required for 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. They 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 8 "equivalent units". (See *Graduate Studies and Research—Definition of Full-time Student*). These are the minimum-unit loads foreign students must carry in order to keep their student visas valid. **International students are also required to purchase health insurance coverage equal in coverage to the policy available to all students through the Associated Students Office.**

The International Student Counseling Office also coordinates campus and community activities for foreign students. These activities 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 *Division of Graduate Studies and Research* section of the bulletin.