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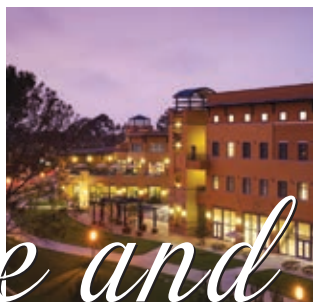
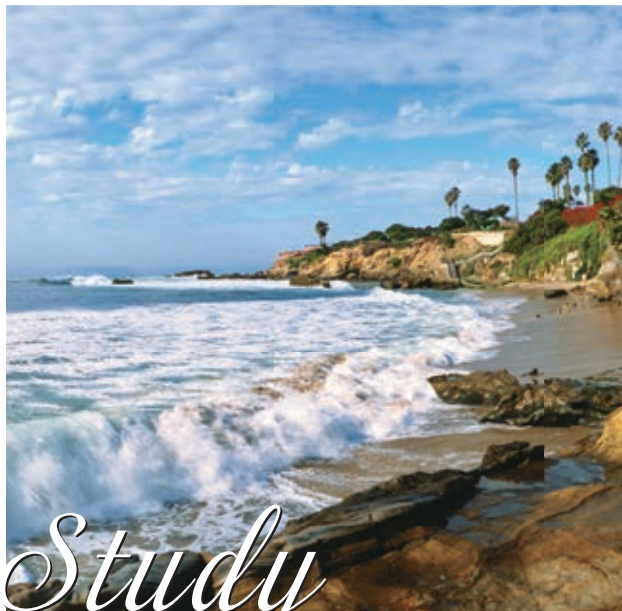
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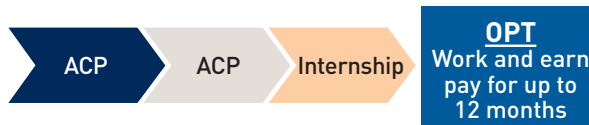
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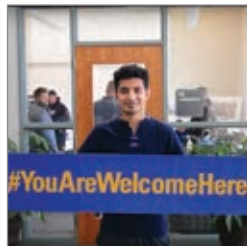
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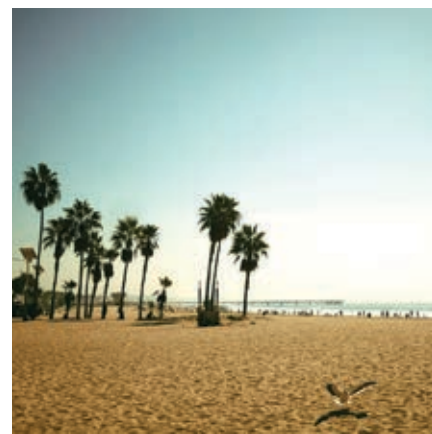
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“I was surprised that students in the U.S. are free to present their points of view, and the teachers do not deny them; rather, they welcome the spirit by giving extra points and with class discussions.”

—Nhi Tran from Vietnam, studying English at the Intensive English Center (IEC) at St. Cloud State University





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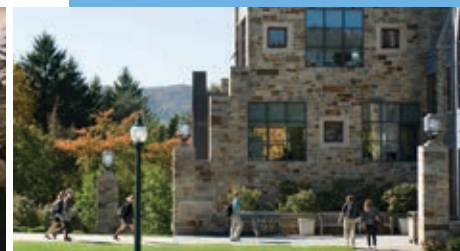
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# INTERVIEW

**Hoang Minh Tran from Vietnam completed the summer program at Salem State University in Salem, Massachusetts.**

## **Why did you decide to enter a U.S. summer program?**

The main reason for starting in the summer was because I didn't want to waste three months, which would have interrupted the progress I had made learning English. I felt that taking the summer program would shorten the time needed to pass the TOEFL exam so I could get started in my major at Salem State University (SSU).

## **Why did you choose Salem State University?**

I really fell in love with Salem because it is well-known for its big Halloween festival and its unique history. The city isn't very crowded, it's safe to live here and public transportation makes it convenient to get around.

I chose Salem State University because I knew I needed to improve my language proficiency to get accepted to university. Salem State's Intensive English Language Program offered a lot of support to future undergraduate students who have weak skills in English. Furthermore, there are many majors and programs, and the modern facilities and residence halls are amazing.

## **What do you like best?**

The best thing I liked about studying here was the variety of interesting courses and scheduling flexibility. There were small groups of students, which made me feel more comfortable. The relationship between the professors and students was friendly and engaging. I also liked the modern technology in my school.

## **What was your biggest surprise?**

The relationship with my professors was much closer than what I was used to in Vietnam. The professors are nice and we seemed like friends who shared our experiences, opinions and advice. The staff were always ready to help the students. Also, there was always some information every week on Facebook with details about events. This information allowed me to participate in many events.

## **... your biggest disappointment?**

At first, I thought I just had to spend a maximum of six months to complete my English program, but the more I learned, the more I

realized there are a lot of things I didn't know about English, so I had to extend the amount of time I needed to improve.

## **How have you handled: ... language differences?**

Honestly, I have had a long struggle to learn how to pronounce English words correctly. At first, it was really hard for my professor and my friends to understand what I was saying; but through their help and patience, my English got much better.

## **... finances?**

The tuition and cost of living are reasonable. Luckily, my parents have been supporting me the whole time.

## **Since you completed the program, how has it helped you in your work or studies?**

Completing the summer program has helped me be able to pronounce more correctly, understand more easily, and enrich my vocabulary to communicate with others more naturally. I feel more confident to achieve my professional goals.

## **What are your activities?**

Personally, I love to swim and to explore new places, at SSU, there's a swimming pool and a gymnasium. However, my school also arranges activities for the students such as Orientation Program, Thanksgiving Lunch, International Dinner, Cultural Night, etc.

## **How easy or difficult was making friends?**

My friends come from all around the world. Although they have many different backgrounds, they're friendly, educated and open-minded. My classes are small groups of students, so it can be easier for us to make friends.

## **How relevant was your U.S. summer program to your personal goals and to the needs of your country?**

Taking the summer program helped me continue my progress to improve my English. I'm



hoping to become a nurse. Studying at SSU will help me apply what I learn here to make the medical environment in Vietnam become better and more acceptable for the poor people in my country.

## **What is your advice to other students?**

The best advice I can offer is to find a school that has a good Intensive English Language Program at the same university that you're going to study. I also recommend making friends with people who speak English and not being shy to ask as questions. As a result, these activities will help you practice and improve your English easily as you experience new situations. I also suggest exploring the place where you're going to study and getting involved with the locals. ★



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## Why did you choose an iD Tech Summer Camp?

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## What did you like best?

The Freedom of Constructing Anything course.

## What did you miss most?

Nothing practically, everything was very nice there.

## What was your biggest surprise?

Again, not that much of a surprise as I come from an international school, but I have noticed that mathematics is divided into Algebra, Geometry... Whilst in Europe everything is in a pack.

## What are your activities?

We went to the Boston Museum and to see monuments.

## How easy or difficult was making friends?

It was very easy.

## How relevant is your U.S. education to your personal goals and to the needs of your country?

In the future, I plan to study robotics, and I think that Spain really needs to invest in the robotics departments. I think in the future I might be able to contribute to that. And, I would also love to study in a university in the U.S. such as MIT or Carnegie Mellon.

## What is your advice to other students who are considering a U.S. education?

I would advise them to not be afraid to ask if in doubt and to be constantly trying new experiences. ★



Luis Blanco, a ninth-grade student from Spain, attended the iD Tech Summer Camp at MIT in Cambridge, Massachusetts.



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**B**usiness, communication, politics and economics are all becoming increasingly international, requiring a global perspective to better understand other cultures and countries. Studying at a U.S. university or college is one way you can broaden your cultural understanding.

Each year, hundreds of thousands of students from around the world come to study at U.S. universities and colleges. Some students spend four years working toward a bachelor's degree, while others remain longer in order to attend graduate or professional school.

Another option, which requires less time away from home and is considerably less expensive, is to study in America during the summer.

Most U.S. summer programs take place between May and August, and last anywhere from two to twelve weeks. In this short period of time, you will have abundant opportunities to improve your English skills, learn about U.S. culture, politics and customs, and visit different parts of the country.

### Who Studies During the Summer

If you do choose a summer program, you will have plenty of company. Traditionally, most U.S. university students do not attend classes full-time during the summer. Instead, they usually spend these months traveling, vacationing, or working in order to save money for the following year's tuition.

However, this has been changing. Many universities now offer a wide variety of courses during the summer. In many instances, students may take as many classes as they would during any other term. You will be sharing the campus with many U.S. students and international visitors.

### Where to Study

Your study experience in the USA can extend beyond textbooks and the people you meet. Summers are an excellent time to travel and explore other areas of the country. Although the United States is a large country, you can easily plan trips to cities and sites beyond the campus where you take classes. Consequently, you may want to attend a program or university that is located in a region of the country that especially appeals to you.

### Where can you imagine yourself? Where have you always wanted to go?

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"I wanted to have a strong foundation in English to be able to communicate with people from around the world. English is also fundamental for my future career."

—Romina Ruiz, a student from Mexico who attended the summer Intensive English Program at the University of San Francisco

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## What to Study

Most often, the same amount of academic credit is awarded for a class no matter when it is offered. The only significant difference is the schedule. Because summer term is shorter than fall, winter and spring terms, summer classes are condensed. You will learn the same material; the lecture may just be longer. Depending on your perspective, this can be a very efficient form of study. Students often select classes that will complement their current academic program of study, while others choose classes out of curiosity or for fun.

In addition to the regular course offerings for the arts, sciences, and humanities, you will find a wide variety of classes during the summer: special intensive classes taught by visiting scholars; workshops that combine study and field trips; scientific research opportunities; and courses offered especially for non-degree candidates.

## English Language Programs

If you are not a native speaker of English, there is no better way to improve your language skills than to spend a few months at a U.S. university. Before selecting a program, ask yourself if your English is adequate enough for you to understand university lectures given entirely in English. Is it good enough for you to participate in class discussions ... to prepare class assignments ... to take regular written examinations?

Depending on your language abilities, you may want to enroll in an intensive English language program that combines English study with academic courses. Or, you may simply need to supplement your academic studies with an English as a Second Language (ESL) course.

Many schools do not require a TOEFL

score as part of the enrollment process. In such cases, you may want to check with the summer program office to find out the criteria they use for accepting non-native English speakers.

## Contacting Programs

Many schools do not require a formal admissions process for their summer programs, as opposed to their regular academic-year programs. If you are applying only for the summer and do not intend to study for a degree, the admissions process is typically simpler.

To begin the process of applying to a program, write directly to the summer sessions office of each school that interests you. If you use email, please indicate that you learned about the program from *Summer Study in the USA*® magazine.

Ask for a catalog of summer session courses, an application and housing information. Most information is available by February or March. In addition, this type of information is typically available on the institution's website.

As part of your application process, be sure to determine whether you will need a visa to study in the United States during the summer. (If you qualify based on their regulations, U.S. universities provide the Certificate of Eligibility—formerly known as an I-20—for you to take to the U.S. embassy for visa processing.)

If you do require a visa, be sure to allow enough time for the embassy to process it and return it to you before your departure date. (Because of recent regulations put in place by the Department of Homeland Security, in recent years, visa processing is taking longer than ever before.) Some embassies require appointments and charge a fee for such processing. More information about visas and embassy requirements in particular countries can be found at <https://travel.state.gov/content/visas/en/study-exchange.html>.

You can also find information about U.S. summer and full-time academic programs at your local educational advising center. There, trained advisors can help you select a summer program. In addition, many education and study abroad professionals have offices in major cities in Europe and Asia.

No matter what courses you choose or which university you attend, visiting the USA through a summer study program is a rewarding experience that you will never forget. ★

**You will learn best in the place where you feel the most comfortable. Be sure to examine your personal preferences, and while you do, consider the following criteria:**

**Size:** How large is the university or program? Does a major university campus with thousands of students appeal to you? Or, do you prefer a small program with only a few hundred classmates?

**Location:** Do you want to study in a large urban city, a small town, or a mid-size city?

**Recreation:** Your summer university campus might offer a full range of recreational activities, including use of the school gymnasium and sports complex, swimming pools, tennis courts and golf courses. You might also want to consider the popular outdoor recreational activities of the surrounding region. In addition, find out if cultural activities like concerts, museums, outdoor and indoor theatres, and summer festivals are easily accessible. These events can be as educational as your academic program.

**Cost and Housing:** Costs vary widely from school to school. Be sure to ask for the exact costs of those programs that interest you. Also inquire whether the costs quoted include room and board. Most school brochures and websites will list tuition and housing costs separately.

**Student Population:** Summer sessions on some campuses are dominated by special interest groups such as computer science, teacher training or sports camps. Your program may share the campus with a specialized summer institute for adults or high school (secondary) students. In some communities, the majority of students are commuters (people who must travel from home or work in order to get to school). Some universities, however, are mainly residential, meaning that the majority of students live and study together on campus. If living either on- or off-campus is important to you, do some research before you apply.



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# FINANCING

## your SUMMER STUDIES IN THE U.S.

### Do You Want to Study in the USA this Summer?

Summer is a wonderful time to further your studies and explore the United States. With the proper planning you will have an exciting and rewarding experience studying abroad in America!

### How Can I Afford It?

Spending a summer studying abroad in the USA can be one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of your life. Much is to be gained from the people you meet, the events you experience, and the lessons you learn. The memories you make during one summer in America can be some of the best in your life!

As an international student studying in the summer, you can experience the U.S. education system in very different ways than you would during the regular academic year. Often times, you will find summer study abroad programs to be more relaxed than semester or year programs, allowing you to more fully experience American culture!

If you carefully choose the location and school, you can combine the best features of a foreign holiday with actual study. You can improve your English language fluency, gain new professional skills and deepen your understanding of life in the USA.

International students can do all this for an affordable price. The cost of attending summer school in the United States is low compared with the cost of studying for a full year. Also, even if it is for just a summer, your U.S. education is an investment that will reward you all your life.

### Cost of Summer Programs

The amount you spend will depend mainly upon how long you study in the U.S. Summer sessions are usually between 4 and 12 weeks long.

You can find updated information on the cost and length of summer courses on a university or college program's website and in their catalog. Go to the "Contact us" form on the school's profile page at [StudyUSA.com](http://StudyUSA.com). Write directly to the summer session

office or English language program of each school that interests you, and please mention *Study in the USA* when you write.

It is difficult to estimate average total expenses for summer study in the U.S. because the cost of tuition and fees varies greatly from school to school. One program may include total cost from start to finish, while another has a lower fee, but charges separately for meals, accommodations, etc. To make your own comparisons, here are some of the costs to expect.

### APPLICATION FEE:

When you apply to study in a summer program, you will send an application fee along with your application. This non-refundable application fee can range from US\$30 to US\$75. Most institutions accept credit cards, or you can pay by check or money transfer.

Admission to some summer programs is selective. You may be asked to send copies of your grades (marks) from the school or university you last attended. If your native language is not English, you also may be asked to supply your TOEFL or IELTS score. If your TOEFL or IELTS score is below a certain level, the school may refer you to the English language program, or you may have to take an English language placement test when you arrive.

Not all U.S. institutions require the TOEFL or IELTS exam from international students. Community colleges often do not require the TOEFL or IELTS exam. Students who aren't especially confident with their English should consider a summer intensive English program or beginning their studies at a summer community college program.

### TUITION:

Costs of summer programs vary so much from program to program and school to school that any average price would be misleading. The quality of a program does not depend upon its cost. You will consider cost in choosing a program, but the education, experience, personal attention, facilities, geographical location, opportunities to participate in activities and excursions with other students are all important factors that should determine your final decision. Prioritize what is most important to you, and start searching



for the perfect match to start your exciting summer adventure in the USA!

Similarly, there is no typical or average price for English language programs. Important factors to consider are accreditation, university and TOEFL preparation, class size, hours of instruction, and what workshops, activities or services are included with the tuition.

### HEALTH SERVICE AND INSURANCE:

Most summer programs charge a health service fee of about US\$50 to US\$80. For this fee, students can use the school clinic for treatment of minor injuries and illnesses.

Because U.S. medical costs are extremely high, you should also purchase health and accident insurance if the program does not offer an insurance plan to their students. Many schools may require you to have health insurance regardless. Factor this into your budget.

Write the school's international student advisor or ask the academic counselor in your country about health insurance plans and options before you go to the USA. Also, always check to find out what the school requires.

### OTHER FEES:

You will pay special fees if you use a science laboratory, fine arts studio or athletic facilities.

### ROOM AND BOARD:

You can live in a residence hall during the summer at most U.S. universities and colleges, although many community colleges do not provide housing, so plan accordingly. Rooms on campus usually are available to summer program students who want them.

Most schools offer a room and board payment plan. In this case, you would pay for both your room and your cafeteria or dining hall meals. You may also buy food at the school's cafés or campus center. Many campuses now offer a variety of food and café options, in additions to the cafeteria. An advantage to living in the dorms is that lower rent in dorm accommodations often offsets high cost of living. However, if you prefer to live off-campus in an apartment, be aware that costs, furnishings, and availability will vary greatly depending on location. Some towns have very little affordable student housing, and choosing this option can be risky as you may not find accommodations as quickly as expected and could incur very high hotel costs.

The cost of renting an apartment off cam-

## COMMUNITY COLLEGES

A community college is a two-year school in which you can begin your university study. You can complete the first two years of your bachelor's degree at a community college and then transfer your credentials to a four-year university. This is extremely common in the USA. Community colleges offer lower tuition costs, smaller class sizes and more personal attention. Many community colleges also offer intensive English language programs.

pus varies widely depending upon the type of housing you find and the city you select. The United States is a large and economically diverse country, so cost of living is very different from place to place. Metropolitan cities are generally going to be more expensive.

### BOOKS AND SUPPLIES:

Students in the USA buy their own textbooks, notebooks, and other supplies. You can save a lot of money by buying used books. This can be done in your campus bookstore or online. We recommend [www.efollet.com](http://www.efollet.com) or [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) for used book bargains. At the end of your summer course, you may be able to sell your textbooks back to the bookstore or online to other students.

However, you may want to keep them so that you can continue your studies of the English language and American culture at home. Don't let your adventures abroad end at the conclusion of your program!

### PERSONAL EXPENSES:

You will pay up to several hundred dollars a month for transportation, entertainment, and necessities like soap, toothpaste, and stamps. You will also pay for laundry and dry-cleaning. You can often find a self-service laundry (coin or debit card operated washers and dryers) in your residence hall or near the campus.

### Payment

Students are not always required to register in advance for summer programs. At many schools, you can register and pay your tuition during the first week of classes. However, as an international student you should plan

ahead and reserve space in the course you want to attend by writing to the program office well in advance.

U.S. banks often delay payment of money that is transferred from foreign banks. Students should bring debit cards or have their money available in a checking account. Most programs accept credit cards. It is also a good idea to order a small amount of U.S. currency for your first few days in the USA to take care of immediate needs like a taxi or shuttle ride home from the airport. Be aware that you will also need large sums of money during the first few days of your program for things like rental deposits, textbooks, course fees, etc. Be prepared!

### Financial Aid and Working in the USA

Financial aid is almost never available for summer study, even for U.S. students. Therefore, do not plan to finance even part of your summer experience through university scholarships.

You may be able to take out a private loan to cover the cost of summer study abroad, with your parents or someone else as a co-signer. It may seem like a lot of money to spend, but think of it as an investment in yourself and your future. Study abroad in the USA now, before the realities of student loans and full time work prohibit you from fulfilling your dreams of travel!

The U.S. Government regulates international student employment. International students are not allowed to work during the first academic year in the United States. You may be able to work at an on-campus job. Ask the schools you're interested in if these opportunities are available in the summer. Also, spouses of students on F visas (most students) may not work while they are in the U.S.

Once you have experienced the life-changing effects of study abroad you will probably want to return to the U.S. to study for a longer period of time. True appreciation of another culture and people often takes a year or longer. Intercultural immersion is a life-long gift that you give yourself, and provides you with a special capacity for understanding other cultures that cannot be obtained anywhere else.

Summer is a wonderful time to further your studies and explore the United States. With the proper planning, you will have an exciting and rewarding experience! Get started today—plan next summer's adventure abroad to learn English and experience America firsthand! ★



**There are so many great reasons to study English in a U.S. summer program. Here are the top five reasons:**

### **1.) YOU WILL LEARN ABOUT YOURSELF**

The best way to understand yourself, your country, and your own values is to immerse yourself among other cultures and people. Only then will you be able to begin to distinguish the differences. This is easy to do in the USA. Every year hundreds of thousands of students from almost every country in the world choose to study in the United States. These students, plus other immigrants who move to the USA, make the United States a fascinating and exciting mixture of languages, cultures, and people.

### **2.) YOU CAN PREPARE FOR REGULAR STUDY AT A COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY**

Many English as a Second Language (ESL) programs give students the chance to study university courses in addition to the program. This is a good opportunity to learn more about U.S. university classroom culture and discover what campus life is really like.

Some programs are designed for a specific

group of people with specific needs. For example, there are programs for international students who plan to study at a U.S. university or college. Such programs include library orientation, study skills, and research techniques. Other programs may include English for Tourism or Business English. Even if you already have the required TOEFL® score for academic admission to a U.S. university, it is a good idea to spend some time polishing your English skills in an intensive English language program. It will help you become accustomed to the sound of Americans and adjust to cultural and academic differences.

If you haven't made a decision yet about your future college or university, *Study in the USA* can help you.

### **3.) YOU HAVE ACCESS TO MORE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES THAN ANY OTHER COUNTRY IN THE WORLD**

The USA has over 3,500 accredited colleges and universities, including two-year colleges, four-year institutions, and doctoral/research universities. Although some international students are familiar with many of the elite universities in the USA, most students are very happy to discover that there are lit-

erally thousands of excellent schools that provide a quality, affordable education that meets their needs.

### **4.) YOU CAN TRAVEL THROUGH ONE OF THE MOST GEOGRAPHICALLY DIVERSE COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD**

The USA has it all—oceans, lakes, mountains, deserts, plains, outstanding national parks, small towns and large cities. Regardless of where you live and study, you can take a break on weekends and enjoy other parts of the United States.

### **5.) YOU CAN GAIN A BROADER UNDERSTANDING OF THE USA, MAKING YOU A STRONGER CANDIDATE IN AN INTERNATIONAL JOB MARKET**

Most employers are very impressed with applicants who have lived and studied abroad. Such an experience provides a valuable education and insight. You will be seen as more knowledgeable and globally minded than other applicants. Furthermore, by choosing the USA you will have studied in one of the world's largest and most influential economies. ★

## PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

There are a number of professional organizations that set standards regarding teaching methods and student services. Intensive English language programs administered by accredited colleges and universities are invited to join the **Consortium of University and College Intensive English Programs (UCIEP)**. Compliance with the highest college and university standards is ensured through UCIEP conferences, workshops and regular program-wide evaluations.

Another way to identify programs with high standards is to choose schools that are members of **EnglishUSA**. This organization was established for the sole purpose of setting standards for intensive English language programs. While EnglishUSA does not accredit programs, its members agree to follow standards of excellence established by the organization.

### Finding an accredited English language program

The **Commission on English Language Program Accreditation (CEA)** is a specialized agency for the accreditation of English language programs and institutions in the United States. CEA accredits both English language programs in universities and colleges, as well as independent English language schools. Accreditation by CEA means that an English language program has met the CEA Standards for English Language Programs and Institutions. Programs that seek CEA accreditation must offer an intensive English program for non-native speakers of English, which meets at least 18 hours a week for at least 8 months a year.

Because CEA is a relatively new agency and the rigorous review process of schools may take months to complete, many programs have not yet completed the process to become accredited. Accredited programs may also indicate their CEA accreditation in their brochures, student packets, and advertisements. You can contact CEA directly:

Commission on English Language Program Accreditation  
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Alexandria, VA 22314 USA  
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# TRAVEL IN THE USA

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**For** many Americans, the warm summer months of June, July and August mean vacation—a time to get into the car and head for the open road. Summer travel is especially popular among U.S. university students, who are typically on summer break from classes. With this time, they can travel to different parts of their own country. For international students summer is also a perfect time to travel, or it is a nice time to visit colleges, universities and English language programs.

It is a challenge for people from other regions to fathom the vastness of the United States—driving across the USA from New York to Seattle or L.A. would take days! The best part of travel in the U.S. is that each region of the country has its own geography, flavor and culture, much like the different countries of the E.U. or South America. This diversity makes it difficult to make generalities. Take advantage of your free time—travel and discover the USA! ✨

## TRAVEL TIPS

- + Always look for student discounts and deals
- + Read reviews
- + Be mindful of your surroundings and practice precaution when needed. For instance, it may not be wise to walk around alone at night
- + Have your passport with you and keep extra copies at home





# WORKING

## AS AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT IN THE UNITED STATES BY *Megan Gier*

*Many* international students want to work while they are studying in the United States to earn extra money and practice their English. This can sometimes be a difficult and complicated process, but advance preparation can increase your chances of finding a job. Understanding the rules you must follow and knowing where to go for help in your job search are the keys to success.

The United States issues different types of student visas, but most international students receive the F-1, a nonimmigrant visa for full-time academic study. Because the F-1 visa is only for educational purposes, the U.S. government places restrictions on the employment options for F-1 holders. However, this does not mean that you cannot work if you have an F-1 visa. As long as you understand and follow the legal requirements, you can work on a student visa. Here are the most important rules for working in the United States on a student visa:

1. You must maintain full-time student status at all times.
2. You cannot work off campus during your

first academic year of study. During that time, you are permitted to work on campus part-time (no more than 20 hours a week) while classes are in session.

3. After one academic year, you can work off campus in a position related to your field of study through the Curricular Practical Training (CPT) or Optional Practical Training (OPT) options.

These are not the only restrictions, and the office that issued your I-20 immigration document (usually the international student office at your school) is your best resource for understanding all the rules. Most international student orientation programs will provide information about employment options. Violating the laws may result in the loss of your student visa, so you must follow the directions of the international student advising staff at your school!

Now that you know the basic restrictions on employment for F-1 visa holders, where and how do you actually find a job? Universities in the United States often have a career development office that maintains an online database

of jobs and provides services such as career counseling, practice interviews, and resume-writing workshops to prepare you for the job application process. This is a great place to start your search. Many colleges also hold an on-campus job fair at the beginning of the semester, so you may find a part-time, on-campus position there. The campus bookstore, coffee shops, and other school-owned facilities often hire student employees at these events.

Graduate students have additional on-campus employment options; graduate assistantships in campus offices, as well as teaching and research assistantships, may also be available. Jinsun Baek, a former student of the University of Illinois at Chicago's (UIC) Tutorium in Intensive English, now works in the Tutorium's front office as a graduate assistant.

"Sometimes it's hard as a language learner to find a job on campus. It's important to be honest to yourself about your English proficiency, because you need to be able to compete with American candidates, who are typically native English speakers," says Baek.

However, other valuable qualities and workplace skills can help you overcome this



potential obstacle. Through her enthusiasm and participation in program activities as a Tutorium student, Baek made a good impression on the school's staff, which helped her to get hired there.

To obtain off-campus jobs, you must get permission for CPT (Curricular Practical Training) or OPT (Optional Practical Training). If your degree program requires an internship, this position counts as CPT. Talk with your program director to find a position that fulfills the requirements, and file the necessary CPT paperwork with your university. After completing your degree, you can remain in the United States for an additional year to pursue OPT in your field of study. The international student office on your campus will help you to complete the required OPT paperwork.

Search in the community around you for opportunities as well. Networking will take you a long way—talk to other international students at your school, search Internet job databases, and contact the community of immigrants from your country if one exists in your area. Lexi Wang, a Chinese graduate student and research assistant at the Language and Culture Learning Center at the University of Illinois at Chicago, has some great advice for international students who hope to secure an

**“The education system in the U.S. is one of the best in the world and a degree from an American university makes one more marketable in the job market.”**

—Nabil Salik from India, Studying Mechanical Engineering at Southern Illinois University Carbondale

OPT position after graduation:

“Set up your network before you graduate from the college. You can talk to your professors and your friends ... as long as they refer you to a job, it's going to be so much easier than finding it on your own.”

These people are great sources of information about existing and future job possibilities.

Many international students volunteer or intern at a non-profit organization while they are studying; sometimes these institutions can offer you a paying job once you graduate, and they are often willing to assist you in applying for the required immigrant work visa. If you speak a language other than English, consider working as a tutor or interpreter at an organization that serves immigrants in your community. Companies and organizations with an international focus often need employees who speak other lan-

guages and may be able to sponsor a work visa.

Over the course of her career, Eileen Censotti, the International Student Advisor at UIC's Tutorium in Intensive English, has met with many international students seeking work. She says that, although it can be challenging to find work when you are new to a country, being flexible and persistent in your job search will eventually result in success.

“If you don't find work right away, don't give up. Keep looking and applying to any job you think you can do,” she advises.

Be resourceful and patient, and investigate all possible options during your employment search. Most people are happy to assist you if you reach out to them, so don't be shy about asking for help. Happy job hunting, and good luck! ★

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# HOTEL & TOURISM

## PROGRAMS BY Kelly Oto



# Travel

and tourism is the world's largest industry. International hospitality management involves working with so many people and cultural layers that it has the power to help shape international relations—and change the world.

For you, this translates to a wonderful opportunity for a wide variety of exciting career selections. If hospitality and tourism is your chosen career, you should study in the United States. Here's why ...

## A Model for Global Industry

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## Culture

It may surprise you that by studying and living in the United States you'll increase your knowledge not only of American culture, but of other foreign cultures as well. The U.S. is truly a melting pot. We come from many different backgrounds and this is reflected in our everyday living. Experiencing a diverse set of cultures is especially advantageous for those in the hospitality field as clientele is not isolated to one country.

## Enhanced English Language Skills

By actually living in the United States you will be immersed with English speakers. Classes at most schools are taught in English by native speakers. Your speaking skills, vocabulary, idiomatic usage, comprehension and listening skills will all be enhanced. What's more, since English continues to be one of the major languages in global business, immersion in the language and culture is an added benefit.

## Flexibility

It is not unusual for Americans to change their major or pursue more than one program simultaneously. Additionally, students often transfer from one educational institution to another. For example, as you progress in your studies at one school, learning more

about the hospitality industry, you may discover a specific area of hospitality you want to pursue. This may motivate you to transfer to a different school that specializes in that area, or that is located near hotels and businesses offering internships that would be strategic to your career goals.

## Wide Choice of Programs

In the past 30 years, the number of U.S. post-secondary institutions offering hospitality, travel and tourism programs have more than quadrupled. This has resulted in a wide variety of philosophies and approaches. Guest service is the common thread woven through all programs. While not all programs are available at every school, generally there are certain areas you may want to study: lodging, recreation, travel, tourism, convention, culinary, food and beverage, and casino.

As an international student, you will find that the U.S. educational system offers instruction in a broad range of subjects. Most likely you will take classes that fall into the liberal arts category, as well as courses specific to your program, such as Hotel and Restaurant Accounting, Resort Management or Ecotourism.

The University of California, Irvine (UCI) offers a three-month International Tourism & Hotel Management Certificate focusing on the growth of environmental consciousness within tourism. Using case studies, instructors help students grasp concepts and practices of successful hotel management that emphasizes sustainability and conserving natural resources. Throughout the program the students examine real-life cases that involve tourism infrastructure, super structure (for example, developing a new airport) and issues relating to pollution. They then determine how a tourism project will affect the local economy and the environment.

Instructors tailor the assignment to each student's country or city of origin, teaching students from overseas to learn to identify how some tourism issues relate to their home countries and the possible solutions they can apply. They then give a class presentation about their findings.

Project management and customer service skills are important aspects of the program. For example, the Customer Service class covers a variety of topics: delivering better, faster service; increasing customer satisfaction; learning how to gain repeat

business; finding workable solutions to customer problems; and motivating employees.

The Marketing and Branding class covers such timely topics as electronic resources, international competitive analyses and metrics for evaluation.

## Professors

Faculty members come from a diverse set of professional backgrounds. While qualifications may differ, generally speaking, faculty members have at least a master's degree and extensive experience in the industry. They are dedicated, hard-working and genuinely care for their students.

## Employment Experience

Many hospitality programs offer intensive training, cover a variety of subjects, and provide a special emphasis on customer service—something that many students find to be an invaluable component of their training. Credentials, or a degree from an American school are well respected around the world, and most important, many graduates find great success and mobility in their career.

Through internships and work experience programs, you will gain invaluable practical experience in your chosen field. Internships are an ideal way for you to develop your customer service skills and to learn how to handle unique situations. The best programs integrate both academic site visits and trips to local attractions into the curriculum. Along with learning the business aspects of hospitality management, you will gain the perspective of your future customers.

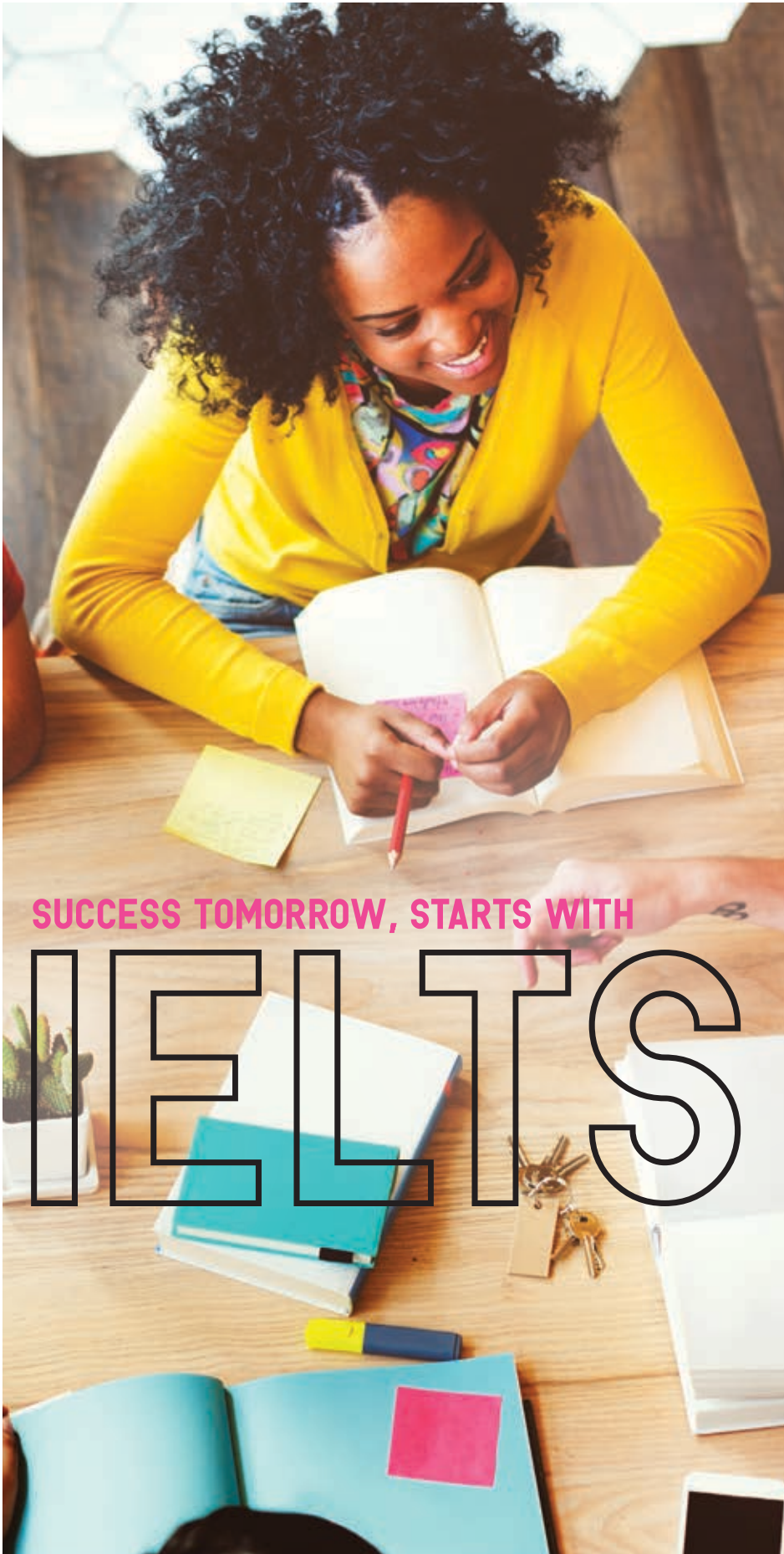
## Lasting Friendships

Last, but certainly not least, is the opportunity you will have to make lifelong friendships. The other students you will meet and the friends you will make will, in many cases, be in your life long after you complete your studies.

Thanks to the diversity and variety of excellent programs like these, hospitality graduates from U.S. schools are working in the hotel and restaurant industry in nearly every country of the world.

We are confident this will be the experience of a lifetime! ☆

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### What is IELTS?

The International English Language Testing System (IELTS) measures the language proficiency of people who want to study or work where English is used as a language of communication. It uses a nine-band scale to clearly identify levels of proficiency, from non-user (band score 1) through to expert (band score 9).

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### Test format

The IELTS test assesses your abilities in listening, reading, writing and speaking – in less than three hours.

There are two types of the IELTS test: IELTS Academic and IELTS General Training. Listening and Speaking are the same for both tests, but the subject matter of the Reading and Writing components differs depending on which test you take.

The Listening, Reading and Writing components of all IELTS tests are completed on the same day, with no breaks in between them.

The Speaking component, however, can be completed up to a week before or after the other tests. Your test centre will advise.

The total test time is 2 hours and 45 minutes.

### How to Prepare for IELTS Exam

Once you have decided to take IELTS exam, the first thing you need to focus on is how to prepare. There are many ways to prepare for the exam, some of the more common being:

**IELTS Courses:** The British Council has over 75 years' experience in English language teaching. We run IELTS preparatory courses, workshops, seminars and mock tests covering all four skill areas: Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking. Contact your nearest British Council teaching centre to find out about the courses in your area.

**Online Courses:** There are many IELTS MOOCS online where you learn useful test-taking strategies and skills, practice and develop skills and strategies by completing IELTS-style practice tests in reading, listening, speaking and writing and develop all the skills to achieve the score you require.

**Self-Study using Study Material:** A plethora of study material (books and CDs) is available in the market and on the internet. You can find previous examination papers as well. There are free e-books, test papers and materials available online.

### Here are a few tips to ace IELTS Exam

**Be acquainted with the format:** The

foremost thing is to be aware of the test format. Read the information for candidate booklet and familiarize with the test format. Be aware of the duration of each test, number of questions to answer, what the examiners looking for in writing and speaking tests etc.

**Practice Sample tests:** Practicing sample test papers help you build up your speed. By taking sample tests, you will become more confident and can able to identify your weak areas.

**Try to use English every day.** Speak English with your friends and family. Read English newspaper, magazines. Listen to English shows, films. Reading subtitles help you to improve your language.

### Key success factors to studying in the USA

#### ONE · Decide where you want to study

- What kind of qualification do you want to achieve?
- What subject would you like to study?

#### TWO · Decide how you will finance your studies

- Accommodation costs
- Living costs including food and travel
- The cost of admission and other school fees

#### THREE · Prepare your application

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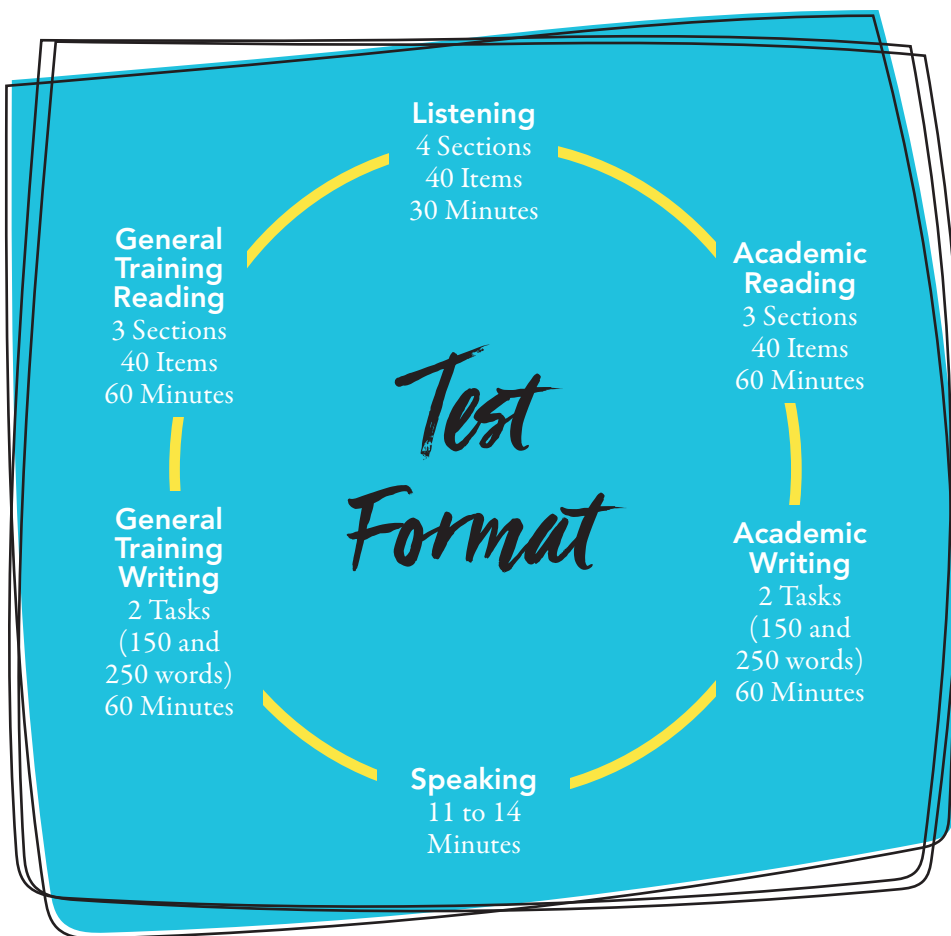
#### FOUR · Make sure you have a valid visa to study in the U.S.

Make sure you're familiar with the type of visa you will need, and the information you need to make your visa application.

#### FIVE · Get your IELTS score to help you apply to a college or university

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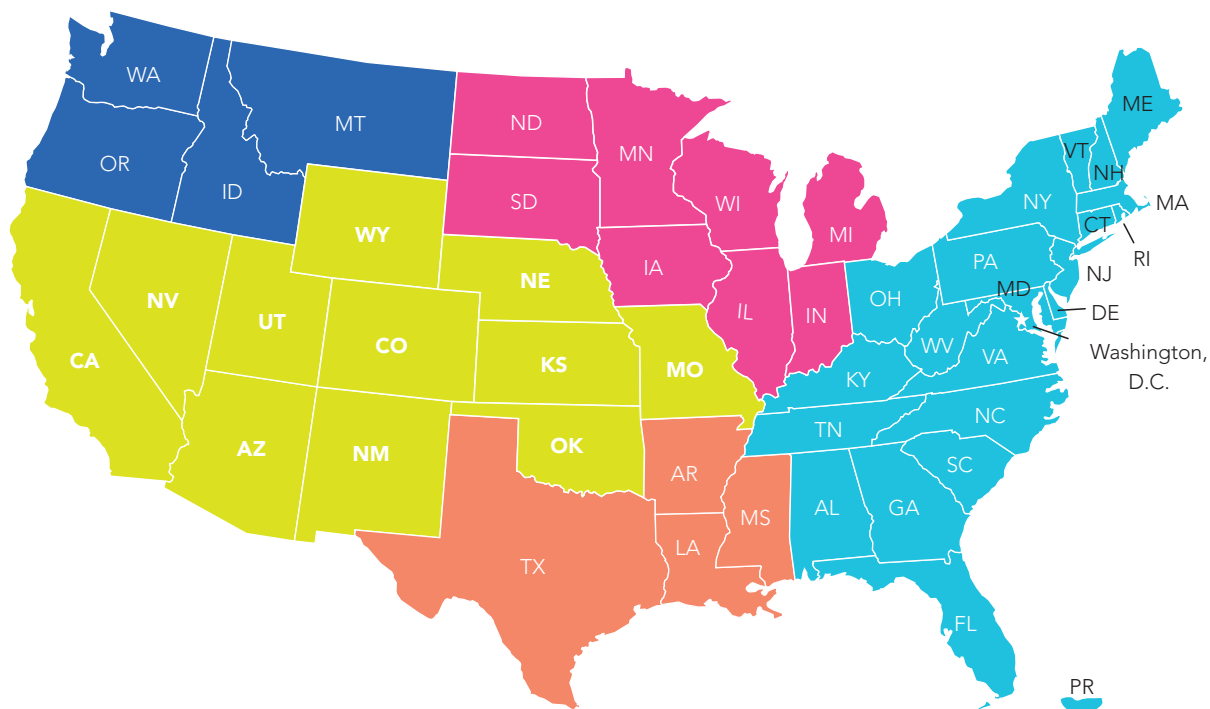
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# PLANNING *and* PACKING

## PAPER STUFF

- + Passport
- + F-1 Visa
- + Certificate of Eligibility: I-20 form or DS-2019
- + Credit card
- + American currency
- + Copy of your prescription and medical documents, including your immunization record

## TOWELS & BEDDING

- (bring from home or buy in the U.S.)
- + Towels
- + Sheets
- + Pillow

## MISCELLANEOUS

- + Lightweight, non-perishable food items, such as spices
- + Photos of friends and family

- + Any sentimental item that reminds you of home

## CLOTHES

- + Shoes (casual, athletic, plus one dress pair)
- + Jeans/pants/shorts
- + Shirts (short and long-sleeved)
- + Pajamas
- + Socks & underwear
- + Bathing suit

## JACKET TOILETRIES

- + Toothbrush
- + Toothpaste
- + Shampoo
- + Comb/brush
- + Soap
- + Deodorant
- + Any special items or medication that you can only get in your country

## ELECTRONICS

- + Adapters
- + Computer
- + Flash drive
- + Camera
- + Translation calculator

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**Affordable Tuition and Housing:** Like most California community colleges, we do not offer on-campus housing. However, there are many apartments for rent in the area. Average monthly rent is \$800.

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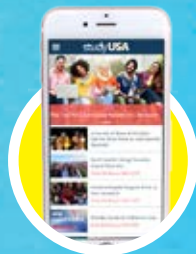
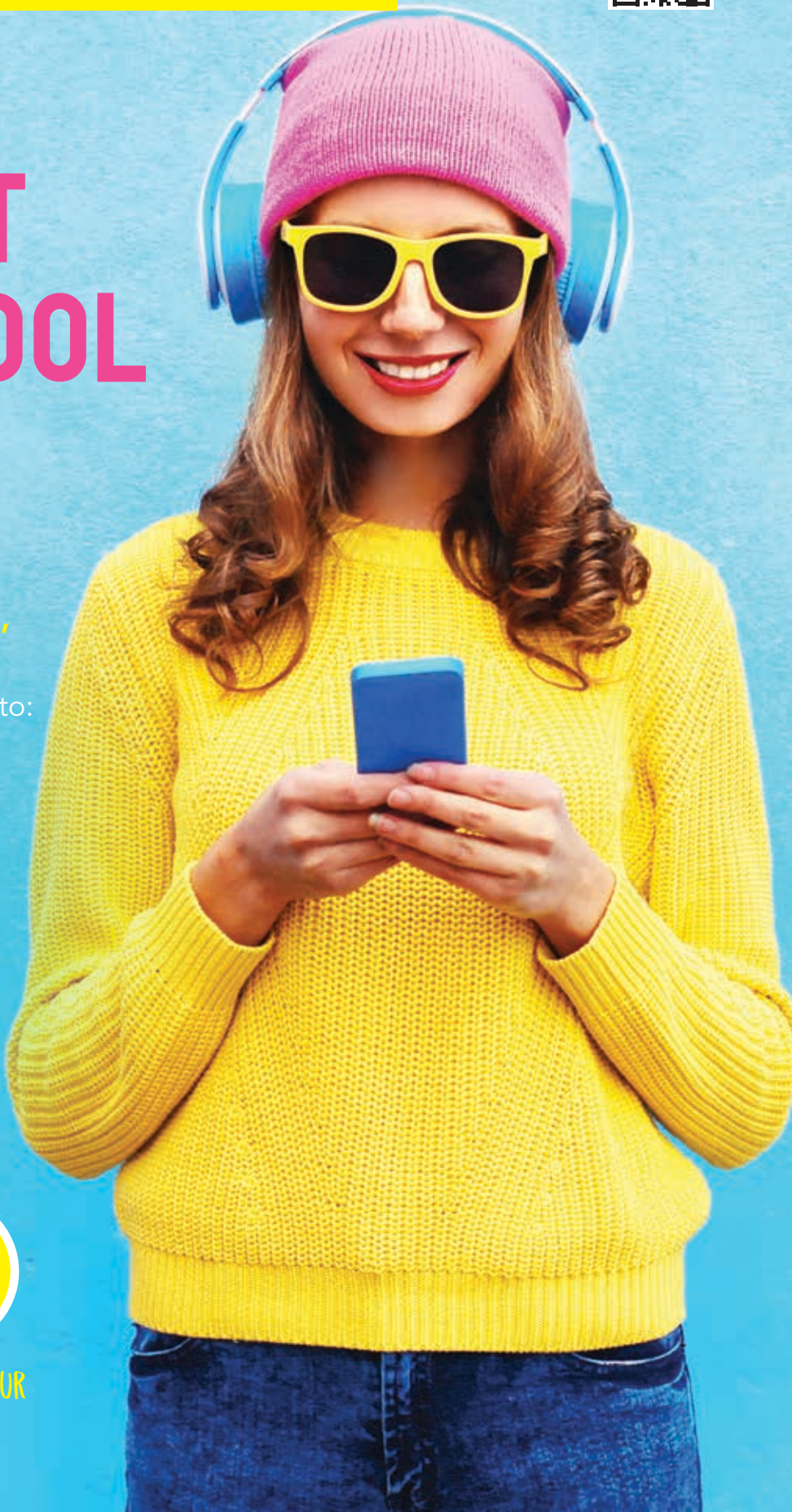


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