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# Communicate with Confidence in English<sup>sm</sup>

In today's world, the ability to communicate effectively and with confidence in English is often necessary for professional and academic success. With 45 years of experience, Converse International School of Languages (CISL) is a leader in English language training.

Since 1972, motivated students from around the world have received rigorous English language training from CISL. The mission of CISL is to help our clients learn to communicate effectively and with confidence in English. Our experienced instructors help identify students' needs and challenge them every day to maximize their learning potential in a friendly, stimulating environment.

#### CONVERSE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES:

- 45 years of excellence in English instruction
- Accredited programs in beautiful San Francisco and sunny San Diego, California
- No more than 8 students per class
- Culturally diverse classrooms
- Qualified instructors
- Partnerships with prestigious U.S. colleges and universities









CISL is fully accredited by the Commission for English Language Accreditation (CEA), which is recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education and is the only specialized accrediting agency for English language programs in the United States.

# What is Pathway?

The Academic Pathway Program at CISL provides students the opportunity to perfect their academic English skills in the highly effective CISL environment before transferring to one of CISL's partner colleges or universities for a post-secondary degree.

With Pathway, CISL students have access to our partner colleges and universities, which represent some of the most esteemed colleges at affordable prices.

### PATHWAY CONSISTS OF TWO PARTS

### • Part I:

Students attend CISL classes, including the English for Academic Purposes (EAP) course.

### • Part 2:

Students transfer to a Pathway Partner and complete their degree (associate's, bachelor's, master's, or doctorate).

6 I have been studying at CISL San Diego for 4 weeks....and at this time my English is improving very fast. Because there are not more than 8 students in the English classes, each student has enough time to ask questions and have conversation with the teacher."

CAGIL, TURKEY





# Why CISL?



### **ACCREDITATION**

Converse International School of Languages is fully accredited by the Commission for English Language Accreditation (CEA) through December 2024.

CEA is recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education as a national accrediting agency for English language programs and institutions in the U.S.

### A HISTORY OF ACADEMIC



### **EXPERIENCE**

CISL has provided international students quality English instruction for 45 years.

### **EXCELLENCE IN** ACADEMIC ENGLISH

CISL is the only school in North America to offer an English for Academic Purposes (EAP) course with a maximum of 8 students per class. In the EAP course, students master the skills necessary to succeed in the American university setting.

### INTENSIVE TOEFL, IELTS, AND CAMBRIDGE CAE AND FCF PRFP

CISL has provided intensive Cambridge courses for over 25 years. Both CISL San Diego and CISL San Francisco are Cambridge testing centers. CISL also offers intensive TOEFL and IELTS instruction.

### MAXIMUM 8 STUDENTS

### PER CLASS

CISL's adult classes are never more than 8 students (an average of 7) for all programs. Students receive quality time and attention from their dedicated instructors.

### DIVERSE CLASSROOMS

CISL students come from around the world. CISL is proud to offer students a diverse classroom setting in both CISL San Francisco and San Diego. See our San Diego and San Francisco nationality mixes.



# Why Pathway?

### STRONG ADVISORIAL **SUPPORT**

CISL Academic Pathway students receive the support and guidance of the Pathway Coordinator and other CISL staff members. who present students with their educational options and help each student choose an individualized academic plan that best meets their future academic and career goals. Assistance with applications, visas, and payments are all included in Pathway services.

### GUARANTEED COLLEGE UNIVERSITY ADMISSION

CISL Pathway partners in the California Community College system are part of the "Degree With a Guarantee" program. Students enrolled in one of the selected programs at a partner California Community College are guaranteed admittance to a California State University campus. Guaranteed acceptance removes the stress transfer students often experience and allows students to focus on what is important: their studies!

### **OUTSTANDING CHOICES** FOR ALL ACADEMIC AND CAREER GOALS

Academic Pathway student options are broad: CISL Pathway Partners include colleges, universities, liberal arts schools, technical institutions, film schools, and even aviation academies. Whatever your academic and career goals are, CISL and CISL Pathway Partners will help you achieve them!

#### TOEFL WAIVERS

CISL Pathway Partners do not require a TOEFL score for admission. Students simply need to successfully complete the CISL English for Academic Purposes (EAP) course.

### STRONG INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT

CISL has selected its Pathway Partners based on their dedication to the international student experience. Partner schools provide support for students in regard to health care, housing, academic advising, and socializing. The American academic experience is all-encompassing, and students experience this through college at one of CISL's partner schools!

### AMAZING LOCATIONS

CISL Pathway Partners are located throughout the U.S., with a concentration of colleges and universities on the West Coast. Take classes in exciting Los Angeles, beautiful Northern San Diego, cosmopolitan San Francisco, the Santa Barbara seaside, the unique city of Berkeley, or in charming Northwestern communities like Bellingham, Washington. Or experience the East Coast in historic Boston and iconic New York City!

#### CONDITIONAL ACCEPTANCE

CISL Pathway Partners offer Conditional Acceptance letters to students who apply when they have not quite yet reached the required level of English. Students can continue their English studies without worry about their academic future: it's secure!



# Why Study in the U.S.?

### ACADEMIC PRESTIGE

The United States is home to most of the top universities in the world. An education in the U.S. provides access to some of the globe's brightest minds, most dynamic teachers, and most motivated student populations. A degree from the U.S. is universally accepted by most countries and carries weight and prestige.

### THE COMPLETE "AMERICAN UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCE"

U.S. colleges and universities are places for personal growth, and campuses are dedicated to providing students with an academic and social experience. Students constantly have options of attending campus sporting events and festivals; additionally, students can participate in intramural sports, cultural centers, student government associations, student groups, and campus activities such as fairs and concerts.

### ACADEMIC OPTIONS

U.S. colleges and universities provide an array of options for study. In addition to majors in the arts and sciences, students have the option to study other popular majors such as business, finance, medicine, marketing, law, and journalism. Campuses also provide majors not often found in colleges outside of the U.S.; many campuses also allow students to create their own personalized major that reflects their academic interests and career goals.

### EXCELLENT STUDENT SERVICES

Colleges and universities in the U.S. have well-established resources for incoming students and exceptional programs for international students. Tutoring services, academic advising, financial services, and housing services are all offered free of charge.

#### RESEARCH FOCUS

U.S. institutions are known for their impressive research facilities, and students have access to the world's best labs and research centers. Explore your academic interests in a supportive and well-equipped academic setting, and publish your research papers with the guidance of knowledgeable professors.

### LONG-LASTING RELATIONSHIPS AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

The socially and research focused U.S. academic experience provides students with the opportunity to create solid, meaningful relationships that extend into their professional lives. Alumni centers and corresponding events ensure that you continue to grow your relationships long after you receive your degree.







# English for Academic Purposes



CISL Pathway students first attend classes at CISL in San Diego or San Francisco. Students can choose any CISL morning course and then enroll in the English for Academic Purposes (EAP) course.

Morning course options: 9am to 12:40pm

- CISL Standard Course (open for enrollment every week of the year)
- TOEFL (see the CISL schedule for start dates)
- IELTS (San Diego only: see the CISL schedule for start dates)
- Cambridge CAE or FCE (see the CISL schedule for start dates)

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The 12-week EAP course offers students a comprehensive, academic-based curriculum that provides reading, writing, and research skills necessary to excel at a U.S. college or university.

The course is open to CISL students with an upper-intermediate level of English.

### PROGRAM FOCUS

The EAP course is divided into four units: Essay Fundamentals, Basic Essays, Academic Discourse, and Comprehensive Essay. Students master academic reading and writing (including how to write essays, conduct research, and evaluate and cite sources), the art of academic discourse (including how to express opinions, agree and disagree, facilitate discussion), and language control (including an increase in academic vocabulary and better control of the use of English grammar in an academic setting).

### **ADVANTAGES**

The academic-focused curriculum of EAP exposes students to college-level reading, listening, note-taking, and writing. Classroom discussions are modeled after university-style discussions where students are encouraged to participate, voice their opinions based on academic research, and ask well-crafted questions.

### CISL 8 STUDENT POLICY

Make the most of your time: CISL's maximum 8 students policy gives students access to their EAP teacher and the opportunity to rapidly improve their academic English skills.

I love the way we learn English here. Teachers are very positive and their methods are really nice. My classes are so great!"

IEANNE, FRANCE





# Pathway Options



### ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC OPTIONS WITH CISL'S PATHWAY PROGRAM

	Type of School	Length of Study*	Outcome
OPTION 2	Community College	2 years (60 academic credits)	Associate of Science Associate of Arts
OPTION 3	Community College + Transfer to University	4 years (2 and 2)	Bachelor of Science Bachelor of Arts
OPTION 4	Private College/University	4 years	Bachelor of Science Bachelor of Arts
OPTION 5	Post-graduate education	I- 6 years (depending on program)	Master of Business Administration Master of Arts Master of Science PhD
OPTION 6	Technical institution	Programs vary; examples include aviation, culinary arts, and technology.	Certificates and degrees vary

<sup>\*</sup>Approximations: actual length of program will depend upon student progress and courses offered.

# Pathway Requirements



### PATHWAY REQUIREMENTS

Pathway students must:

- Hold the equivalent of a U.S. High School diploma
- Successfully complete the CISL English for Academic Purposes program
- Provide proof of financial support
- Complete all necessary applications and documents for each college

### PATHWAY FEES

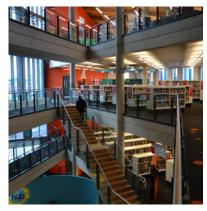
The \$250 non-refundable Pathway fee includes:

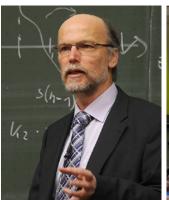
- Guidance from the Pathway Coordinator
- Access to CISL Pathway Partners
- Assistance with the application to a Pathway partner of the student's choice

A separate fee is applied for additional applications.

My dream is to read classic American literature without having to use a dictionary all the time. I feel I will be successful."

ANNA, RUSSIA









### WHY STUDY IN THE U.S.?

Academic excellence! U.S. universities make up 16 of the top 20 universities in the world.

From the Center for World University Rankings (CWUR)



# List of Pathway Partners

- Alliant International University
- American Academy of Aviation
- California College of the Arts
- El Camino College
- Fisher College
- Full Sail University
- Indiana Institute of Technology
- Los Angeles Film School
- Lincoln University
- New York Film Academy
- Palomar College
- Peralta Community College District
  - College of Alameda
  - Berkeley City College
  - Laney College
  - Merritt College
- Santa Rosa Junior College
- Seattle Central College
- Southwestern Oregon Community College
- Santa Barbara Community College
- University of Houston-Victoria
- Whatcom Community College

# Alliant International University

Alliant International University is a private institution with a focus on international relations, business, education, psychology and law. Alliant's small classes place emphasis on service, leadership, professional practice, and the application of business in international and multicultural settings. Alliant promotes international education (it boasts alumni from over 100 countries!) and believes in a combination of academics and real-world training experience: the school therefore offers many internship, volunteer, and career opportunities for the motivated student with dreams of professional success.

#### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Small class sizes
- Strong international student and faculty population: teachers from over 75 countries
- Opportunities for global networking
- A sense of purpose: Alliant programs involve students in the community (students serve over I million hours of community service and work experience each year)
- Curriculum based on real-life experiences train students while still in school
- Opportunities to intern and volunteer with numerous businesses and organizations
- Flexibility: mid-semester enrollment for some programs
- Excellent academic advising services
- Bachelor's, master's and PhD programs
- Extensive scholarship opportunities
- 15-month TESOL program

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Bachelor of Business Administration, Psychology, Criminal Justice and Child Development
- Master of Business Administration, Master of Clinical Psychology
- TESOL (Master's and Doctorate)
- Master of Science in Data Analytics







San Diego, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Irvine, and Fresno (international campuses in Mexico City and Tokyo)

Student Population: 3.800

For a full list of programs, visit: www.alliant.edu/locations/campuses/

On-campus housing?

No, housing options: www.alliant.edu/locations/san-diegocampus/housing-dining.php

# American Academy of Aviation

"World-class EASA and FAA certified flight training"

Learn to fly in sunny San Diego! AAA provides the training necessary for a career in aviation and offers training for both FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) and EASA (European Aviation Safety Agency) licenses. The diverse student population includes many students from abroad and provides a unique learning environment, while San Diego's beautiful climate provides more than 300 flying days per year.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Multiple programs and licenses to meet individual student career goals and needs
- One of the few schools in the U.S. certified to teach students for the EASA (European) programs
- Diverse international student environment
- Campus easily accessed by trolley or the AAA shuttle, which runs daily
- Staff, faculty, and curriculum catered to English learners
- Excellent services for international students
- Cost effective, efficient training: 200-300 hour flight programs approximately 8-14 months in length
- sunny days for flying practice than other locations in the U.S., which equates to quicker fulfillments of flight hours

### POPULAR PROGRAMS **INCLUDE:**

- FAA 141 and EASA private pilots license
- FAA commercial pilot career path program
- EASA commercial pilot career path program
- FAA Helicopter Courses







San Diego, California

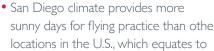
On-campus housing?

Student Population: Between 180 to 250 enrollments yearly

www.flyaaa.com

Housing is provided off campus with a shuttle to class every two hours









### Aviation Institute of Maintenance

"Training Tomorrow's Technicians"

The Aviation Institute of Maintenance (AIM) provides a quality education in one of the world's fastest growing and in demand industries: aviation maintenance technology and avionics. AIM is the largest trainer of FAA-certified aviation engineers and mechanics in the world. Graduates of AIM may work with the major airlines, commuter or corporate aviation or in manufacturing. AIM graduates who decide to return to their home countries return with an FAA-certification from the United States, which provides an extremely competitive advantage over maintenance technicians who do not hold this certification. AIM is accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges and also approved by the US Department of Education. If you're looking for a high-flying career in aviation maintenance, here's where it begins!



- Open enrollment: classes start at 10 different times throughout the year
- 11 campuses throughout the U.S. to choose from
- 22-month programs for students who are motivated to graduate quickly and begin work
- Career services are available to help students and graduates as they explore their career paths and make contact with potential employers

### POPULAR PROGRAMS **INCLUDE:**

- Aviation Maintenance Technician (AMT)
- NEW in 2017: Unmanned Aircraft Systems
- Aviation Maintenance Technician Engineer (AMTE)
- Aviation Maintenance Technician Helicopter (AMTH)
- Avionics Technician
- Aircraft Dispatcher
- Combination Welding







### Locations:

Atlanta, Georgia

Dallas, Texas

Houston, Texas

Indianapolis, Indiana

Kansas City, Missouri

Las Vegas, Nevada

Orlando, Florida

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

San Francisco, California

Virginia Beach, Virginia

Washington, D.C.



### Student Population: 3.100





### On-campus housing?



# California College of the Arts

"Make Art That Matters"

Founded in 1907, California College of the Arts (CCA) is an esteemed and artisticallydriven private college with 21 undergraduate and 13 graduate majors in the areas of fine arts, architecture, design, and writing. It is one of the premier fine arts and design institutions in the United States and is also regarded as one of the leading art and design institutions in the world. Student involvement in the college is key; therefore, both of CCA's campuses (San Francisco and Oakland) host lectures, artist talks, and other special events nearly every day of the academic term. Through the International Exchange Program, students may spend a semester at one of more than 30 colleges of art and design around the globe.

#### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Two beautiful campuses: one in SF's Potrero Hill neighborhood and the other in charming Downtown Oakland
- A small student population (an average is 13 students per class and an 8:1 student/ faculty ratio)
- Highly focused classes ensure skilled graduates are ready for the workforce
- Over 600 internships offered to students each year
- Voted "Best Value School" in 2016 by PayScale

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Animation
- Architecture
- Fine Arts
- Graphic Design
- Illustration
- Industrial Design
- Business Administration
- Painting/Drawing
- Writing







San Francisco and Oakland











# El Camino College

Located in Southern California's city of Torrance in southwestern Los Angeles, El Camino College offers its students over 85 programs in numerous areas of study. Known as being one of the leading transfer colleges in California, El Camino College offers numerous degrees that guarantee acceptance to University of California (UC), California State University (CSU) and many private universities. The college also provides many evening and online classes for the student who prefers a more flexible academic schedule.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- One of the most diverse campuses in the nation (see student diversity chart)
- Located in LA's South Bay next to numerous beaches (including Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, and Redondo Beach) and within 30 minutes' drive from Beverly Hills, Hollywood, Long Beach and many other LA area destinations
- The International Student Program offers many resources for international students, including information on campus events and housing (homestay)

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Pre-Engineering (STEM majors)
- Business Administration
- Computer Science/ Computer Info Systems
- Architecture
- Film/Theater
- Performing and Studio Arts

### GUARANTEED TRANSFER AGREEMENT PROGRAMS:

- Administration of Justice
- Business Administration
- Economics
- English
- History
- Mathematics
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- And more: www.adegreewithaguarantee.com









For a full list of programs, visit: www.elcamino.edu/academics/ programs.asp

On-campus housing?

No, but the International Student Program can aid with housing information

# Fisher College

"Ubique Fidelis" (Everywhere Faithful)

Fisher College is a small, private liberal arts college located in Boston's charming Back Bay. The historical neighborhood of such a dynamic city provides a safe and welcoming place for international students to learn as well as an opportunity to connect with important aspects of U.S history. Students enjoy small classroom sizes, instruction from qualified teachers, and extraordinary student services.

#### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Small class sizes
- Beautiful location and campus
- Qualified instruction: 9/10 instructors hold the highest degree of their field
- Excellent student services, including a dedicated Career Services department and an impressive Internship Program
- Just under 20% of the population is international students
- Generous merit scholarships
- Two-year associate's degree programs (Associate of Arts or Associate of Science)
- Four-year bachelor's degree programs (Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science)
- One-year master's degree programs (Master of Business Administration)

### POPULAR PROGRAMS **INCLUDE:**

- Business Management
- Communication and Media Studies
- Computer Information Systems
- Health Care Management
- Marketing
- Psychology
- Criminal Justice









For a full list of programs, visit: www.fisher.edu/academics/majors

On-campus housing? Yes: Fisher offers students the opportunity to live in beautiful brownstone townhouses.

# Full Sail University

"If you are serious about your dream, we'll take your dream seriously"

Full Sail University offers campus and online courses for associate's, bachelor's, and master's degrees in the fields of entertainment, media arts, and technology. The university's hands-on approach to learning provides students a unique classroom setting in which to focus their passions.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Dynamic classroom settings designed for student growth and learning
- Motivated and passionate colleagues
- Unique programs created to prepare students for their professions
- Optional online courses
- Bachelor, Master of Arts, or Master of Fine Arts programs

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts, or Master of Fine Arts in Digital Arts or Graphic Design
- Media Design
- Marketing
- Entertainment
- Music
- Film Production
- Game Development
- Media and Journalism
- Audio and Music Production
- Sports Marketing and Media
- Web Design
- Software Development
- Cloud Technologies









www.fullsail.edu

On-campus housing? No, but Full Sail's Housing Department offers a housing guide and location services

### Indiana Institute of Technology (Indiana Tech)

"Live. Learn. Lead."

Originally founded in 1930 as an engineering college, Indiana Tech has grown into an institute that offers courses towards associate's, bachelor's, master's, and law degrees. Indiana Tech also offers several fast track three-year bachelor's programs for students looking to graduate and enter the workforce as soon as possible. Indiana Tech highly values international students and prides itself in providing students with a warm, welcoming campus. In addition to providing its students a positive learning environment and academic excellence, Indiana Tech strives to provide its students respect, commitment, honesty, passion, and integrity.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Fast track (three-year) programs for students to graduate early
- Diverse student population with many international students
- Small classrooms with an excellent student:teacher ratio
- Intimate and safe campus setting
- Associate's, bachelor's, master's and law programs
- Excellent student services
- Numerous programs to encourage extracurricular activities

### POPULAR PROGRAMS **INCLUDE:**

- Business
- Computer Science
- Criminal Justice
- Education
- Engineering
- General Studies













# The Los Angeles Film School

"Pursue Your Passion"

The Los Angeles Film School is a creative arts college that provides students worldclass facilities and an immersive learning environment in which students interact with seasoned instructors and collaborate with award-winning, talented alumni in order to build professional networking skills for their career in film. Students learn the necessary technical and creative skills—as well as the important business skills—needed to build a successful career in the entertainment industry.

#### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Excellent location in Hollywood, California: the birthplace of modern film
- Access to industry professionals
- State-of-the-art facilities
- Curriculum designed to teach the business and technical skills needed to work in the film or gaming industries
- Comprehensive Game Production program for the aspiring game developer
- Associate's and bachelor's degrees

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Entertainment Business
- Film
- Game Production
- Recording Arts
- Computer Animation
- Music Production
- Digital Filmmaking
- Graphic Design











On-campus housing? No, but they will assist with housing





# Lincoln University

Since 1919, Lincoln University has celebrated multiculturalism through its programs and diverse student population. Its curriculum focuses on real-world problems and solutions in order to prepare its students for their future careers in finance and business.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Business-focused curriculum
- Diverse student population
- Many international students
- Dedicated student services
- Bachelor's, master's and PhD programs

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Business Administration
- International Business
- Finance (including master's and doctorate programs)











On-campus housing? Yes, in Alameda (a 10-minute bus

ride from campus). Housing begins at just \$535 per month and includes full furnished dorms, utilizes, high-speed internet, and renter's insurance. See Lincoln University's website for more details.

# New York Film Academy

"The most hands-on intensive programs in the world."

Reach your dreams of working in the movie industry—either in front of or behind the camera—at New York Film Academy, a private college located in New York, Miami, and Los Angeles. Through associate's, bachelor's, and master's degrees in (among many others) Film Directing, Film Production, Acting, Game, Design, and Animation, students learn first-hand the details of the film industry. The school also offers a Digital Journalism degree, which stemmed from a partnership with NBC in 2007. NYFA's partnerships with large corporations such as Rolling Stone Magazine, NASA, and Sony Animation provide students with once-in-a-lifetime opportunities to work with some of the largest (and most esteemed) corporations and organizations in the U.S.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Guest lectures from industry experts such as Steven Spielberg, Kevin Spacey, Al Pacino, Ron Howard, and Glenn Close
- An impressive list of visiting and permanent faculty members, including professional actors, filmmakers, screenwriters, and performers
- Real-world experience in your future field
- Unique artistic community and diverse student population with students from over 75 countries

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Filmmaking
- Acting for film
- Musical theatre
- Producing
- Screenwriting
- Cinematography
- Documentary filmmaking
- Photography

### **NEW YORK** ACADEMY





New York, New York Los Angeles, California Miami, Florida

Student Population: 7.000

www.nyfa.edu

On-campus housing?





# Palomar College

"Learning for Success"

Located just 30 miles north of San Diego, Palomar College (in San Marcos, CA) is one of the 100+ community colleges in California. The school offers more than 200 associate's degrees or vocational programs and holds classes in six locations throughout the Northern San Diego County area. In addition to offering extensive academic options, Palomar College's campus facilities provide students the tutoring, health, and fitness services necessary for success inside and outside of class.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Beautiful Southern California location with quick access to Downtown San Diego and Los Angeles
- Numerous student groups such as the Fashion, Child Development, International Student, and Archaeology Clubs
- An active athletics program with many sports teams
- Thriving media department and campus-run newspapers, magazines, radio, and television
- Guaranteed Transfer Agreements with many CSUs
- The International Student Program provides a variety of student services to promote students success
- Extensive campus facilities, including a well-equipped library, art gallery, student health center, and planetarium
- On-campus tutoring services

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Accounting
- Business Administration
- Business Management
- Child Development
- Computer Science
- Dance
- Digital Broadcast Art
- Engineering
- Graphic Communications
- Kinesiology
- Music
- Psychology
- Theatre Arts
- University Studies

### **GUARANTEED TRANSFER** PROGRAMS:

- Administration of Justice
- Business Administration
- Early Childhood Education
- English
- Geography
- Geology
- Journalism
- Kinesiology
- Mathematics
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Psychology
- Sociology
- And more: www.adegreewithaguarantee.com







San Marcos, California

Student Population: 30.000

For a full list of programs, visit: www.palomar.edu

On-campus housing?

No, but the International Student Program can aid with housing information

### Peralta Community College District College of Alameda

"Your Success Begins Here"

The College of Alameda is one of four colleges in the Peralta Community College District. The 62-acre campus is situated in charming Alameda, a city located on an island across from Oakland in the San Francisco Bay that is known for its historic buildings, Victorian-style homes, and several prominent California wineries. The campus, which is easily accessed using public transportation, was designed around a courtyard to encourage student, staff, and faculty interaction. The College of Alameda offers transfer agreement guarantees to numerous CSU and UC campuses.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Warm and welcoming campus
- High transfer rate to CSUs and UCs (click here for transfer agreement information)
- Opportunity to study at Peralta's three other campuses (Laney College, Merritt College, and Berkeley City College)
- Numerous "Degree with a Guarantee" programs to ensure acceptance to a CSU
- Excellent access to many Bay Area cities equals many housing options for students
- Active and supportive Office of International Education to assist students from abroad

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Biology
- Business
- Chemistry
- Computer Information Systems
- Economics
- English
- English as a Second Language
- Health Education
- Political Science
- Sociology

### GUARANTEED TRANSFER PROGRAMS:

- Art History
- Business Administration
- Communication Studies
- English
- History
- Mathematics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- And more: www.adegreewithaguarantee.com





Locations: Alameda, California (San Francisco Bay Area)

Student Population: 6,600

For a full list of programs, visit: www.web.peralta.edu

### Peralta Community College District Berkeley City College

"From the Ground Up"

Berkeley City College is located in a newly constructed six-story building in downtown Berkeley. The college is one of four schools in the Peralta Community College District; students have the option of attending classes on any of the four campuses (Laney College, Merritt College, and College of Alameda). Berkeley City College boasts high rates of acceptance into UCs and CSUs.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- New campus in exciting and urban downtown Berkeley (just two blocks from UC Berkeley)
- One of the highest transfer rates in the nation for UC Berkeley
- Opportunity to study at Peralta's three other campuses (College of Alameda, Laney College, and Merritt College)
- Numerous "Degree with a Guarantee" programs to ensure acceptance to a CSU
- Supportive Office of International Education helps international students with any questions or concerns

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Biotechnology
- Business
- Chemistry
- Computer Information Systems
- English Language and Literature
- Global Studies
- Multimedia Arts and Web Design

### **GUARANTEED TRANSFER** PROGRAMS:

- Accounting
- Business Administration
- Economics
- Finance
- Management
- Marketing
- Public Administration
- Mathematics
- Language and Literature
- History
- Mathematics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- And more: www.adegreewithaguarantee.com







Student Population: 15,000

For a full list of programs, visit: www.web.peralta.edu/

### Peralta Community College District Laney College

"Laney Leads"

Laney College is the largest of the four Peralta Community College District schools (the others include Berkeley City College, Merritt College, and College of Alameda). Located in historic Downtown Oakland and just a few miles from Lake Merritt and the Oakland Estuary, the college provides students the opportunity to study in an area with thriving urban and natural environments. Its excellent location makes it a perfect college for students living throughout the Bay Area, and its many transfer agreements appeal to students who plan on receiving a four-year degree from a prestigious college or university.

#### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Excellent location in charming Downtown Oakland
- Easily accessed by BART (Bay Area Rapid Transit)
- Facilities include a student center, library, quad, theater, and gymnasium
- Opportunity to study at Peralta's three other campuses (College of Alameda, Merritt College, and Berkeley City College)
- Extensive programs within the "Degree with a Guarantee" to ensure acceptance
- Helpful Office of International Education to aid new students

### POPULAR PROGRAMS **INCLUDE:**

- Journalism
- Culinary Arts
- Mathematics
- Machine Technology
- Ethnic Studies

### GUARANTEED TRANSFER PROGRAMS:

- Business Administration
- lournalism
- International Relations
- Legal Studies
- Mathematics
- Music
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- And more: www.adegreewithaguarantee.com





Locations: Oakland, California (San Francisco Bay Area)

Student Population: 18,000

For a full list of programs, visit: www.web.peralta.edu/

### Peralta Community College District Merritt College

"We change lives."

Merritt College is one of four colleges in the Peralta Community College District. The modern campus, which is located in beautiful Oakland Hills, provides beautiful views of the San Francisco Bay. The college offers over 40 degrees in the arts and sciences and boasts impressive transfer rates to CSUs and UCs.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Beautiful location in the Oakland Hills
- Numerous clubs to encourage student involvement in campus life
- Facilities include a learning center with tutoring, a library, and a fitness center
- Opportunity to study at Peralta's three other campuses (College of Alameda, Laney College, and Berkeley City College)
- Numerous "Degree with a Guarantee" programs to ensure acceptance to a CSU
- Active and supportive Office of International Education to assist students from abroad

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Biological Sciences
- Humanities
- Law
- Nursing
- Mathematics
- Physical Sciences

### **GUARANTEED TRANSFER** PROGRAMS:

- Accounting
- Economics
- Education
- Finance
- Marketing
- Management
- Teaching
- Social Services
- And more: www.adegreewithaguarantee.com





Locations: Oakland Hills, California (East Bay of San Francisco)



For a full list of programs, visit: www.web.peralta.edu/

# Santa Rosa Junior College

"Building on a Legacy of Excellence"

Founded as a preparatory campus for students who desired to attend the University of California campuses, Santa Rosa Junior College (SRJC) continues to have one of the best UC transfer programs in the state of California. Its beautiful campuses in Santa Rosa and Petaluma boast new facilities, two beautiful libraries, and state-of-the-art classrooms and laboratories; additionally, the campuses offer an impressive planetarium, a museum, a theater, an art gallery, and an expansive physical education center for students.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Beautifully manicured traditional grounds with ivy-covered brick buildings in the heart of Santa Rosa
- Technology Academy (on the Petaluma campus) was founded specifically to train students for jobs with the North Bay technology companies
- Over 40 clubs, teams, and programs to encourage student participation in extracurricular activities

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Business Management
- Computer Studies
- Electronic Technology
- Journalism
- Medical Assisting
- Sustainable Agriculture

### **GUARANTEED TRANSFER** PROGRAMS:

- Administration of Justice
- Anthropology
- Business Administration
- Economics
- Mathematics
- Physics
- And more: www.adegreewithaguarantee.com





- Locations: Santa Rosa, California
- Student Population: 28,000
- For a full list of programs, visit: www.portal.santarosa.edu
  - On-campus housing? No, but housing assistance is provided by the International Student Program

# Seattle Central College

"Central to the Community for 50 Years"

Seattle Central College is a community college that offers students two bachelor's degrees and 32 associate's degrees in over 28 fields of study. The college is located in the exciting neighborhood of Capitol Hill in Seattle and is the only community college located downtown and within walking or easy transit distances from shops and urban life. With over 2,000 international students from 80+ countries, the college has the sixth largest international student program in the nation.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Named "College of the Year" by TIME Magazine
- Centrally located: SCC is the only campus located in the urban areas of Seattle
- Incredibly high transfer rates to esteemed four-year universities
- Thriving international student population
- Two bachelor's degrees offered (this is uncommon for community colleges)
- Impressive scholarship and aid opportunities: nearly \$20 million in awards and loans given in 2014
- Over 60 student clubs and organizations to promote involvement with the campus
- Direct Transfer Agreement ensures that all of your credits will transfer to many four-year universities, including Arizona State University, SF State University, CSU Northridge, Washington State University and Seattle University.
- DTA also gives students priority in the admissions process for four-year universities in Washington

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Associate of Arts (for transfer to a university)
- Nursing
- Culinary Arts
- Social and Human Services
- Graphic Design and Illustration
- Dental Hygiene
- Apparel Design



Central to the Community for 50 Years









On-campus housing? Yes: international students have access to The Studios on Broadway, which is a complex located across from the campus, as well as other college-related apartment complexes and homestays.

### Southwestern Oregon Community College

"Southwestern leads and inspires lifelong learning."

Southwestern Oregon Community College is a public college located in beautiful Coos Bay, Oregon. The college, which is the oldest in the state, offers numerous Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees which include transfer agreement guarantees to top Oregon colleges and universities. SWCC prides itself on its small class sizes (an average of 13 students per classroom) and also takes pride in the lifestyle Coos Bay provides its students: the natural landscapes, parks, rivers, lakes, and bay offer students a break from studying to enjoy nature. On campus, SWCC students can take part in the college's athletics and numerous clubs and organizations.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Beautiful location in Coos Bay, Oregon
- A warm and welcoming campus
- Friendly and helpful International Student Program
- Spacious apartment-style housing
- Transfer programs to Oregon universities

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Associate of Arts (for transfer to a university)
- Associate of Science (for transfer to a university)
- Accounting
- Business Management
- Culinary Arts
- Digital Design
- Medical Technology
- Nursing
- Software Development









For a full list of programs, visit: www.socc.edu/academics/degrees

On-campus housing? Yes: apartment-style housing is available for students

# Santa Barbara City College

Situated on a bluff overlooking the Pacific Ocean, Santa Barbara City College (SBCC) is a California community college that offers over 155 degree and certificate programs. The college was awarded the 2013 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence, making it a #1 ranked community college. With SBCC, you're less than 180 steps from the beach ... and a few steps closer to your degree!

### SB CC SANTA BARBARA CITY COLLEGE

# Santa Barbara, CA campus

- O Locations:
  - Santa Barbara, California
  - Student Population: 18,000
- For a full list of programs, visit:
  - www.californiacommunitycolleges. cccco.edu
- On-campus housing?

  No, but the campus is surrounded by apartments for students

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- One of the top-ranked community colleges in the nation
- International Student Support Program provides multiple resources for the international student
- Impressive hiring rate and job success for graduates
- Excellent degree completion and transfer rates
- Award-winning services to minority and underrepresented student populations
- Beautiful new Earth and Biological Sciences program and facilities
- Incredible location, just steps from the beach on the old University of California, Santa Barbara campus

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Business
- Film Production
- Photography & Graphic Design
- Engineering
- Social Sciences
- Sciences
- Nationally recognized Marine Diving Technologies program
- School of Media Arts programs, which focus on multimedia arts, digital media, and applied communication
- Cancer Information Management

### GUARANTEED TRANSFER PROGRAMS:

- Administration of Justice
- Anthropology
- Business Administration
- Communication Studies
- Early Childhood Education
- Economics
- Elementary Teacher Education
- English
- Geography
- Geology
- History
- Journalism
- Kinesiology
- Mathematics
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Studio Arts
- Theatre Arts

Statistics on CSU and UC transfers, student population demographics, and more:

www.californiacommunitycolleges.ccco.edu

# University of Houston-Victoria

"Make your mark."

Enjoy the resources of larger universities but the small classroom size and intimate community of a small school at UHV. The university is one of four institutions in the University of Houston System and offers 30 bachelor's and 20 master's degree programs through its School of Arts and Sciences, School of Business Administration, School of Education and Human Development, and the School of Nursing. The "Degree in Three" program allows students to graduate in three years in the areas of Communication, English, Criminal Justice, History, or Psychology.

### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Online and on campus classes; flexible class schedules
- New facilities, including a 200,000 volume library
- Excellent athletics in addition to academics
- Degree planning advisers dedicated to international students

### POPULAR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- Education
- Mathematics
- Special Education
- Social and Behavioral Sciences
- Nursing







Victoria, Houston, Texas

Student Population: 4.000

For a full list of programs, visit: www.uhv.edu

On-campus housing? Yes

# Whatcom Community College

"Creating opportunities. Building community. Achieving success."

Located in the beautiful and peaceful town of Bellingham, Whatcom College (known as Whatcom), provides students an excellent academic experience in a charming and safe setting. Bellingham—an adorable city with beautiful boutiques, unique restaurants, and a true sense of community—offers students the unforgettable chance to experience the small-town feel of America. Considered one of the best community colleges in the state of Washington, Whatcom offers transfer degrees, professional and technical training programs, and online courses. In addition to hosting American college students from around the country, Whatcom is home to over 250 students from 30 countries.

#### SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS:

- A beautiful location in charming Bellingham
- A campus dedicated to international student growth and success
- Excellent transfer program: Whatcom students go on to attend top universities in Washington, California, and beyond

### POPULAR PROGRAMS **INCLUDE:**

- Accounting & Finance
- Business Administration
- Computer Information Systems
- Hospitality & Tourism Management
- Medical Assisting
- Nursing
- Visual Communications

### TRANSFERS TO COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Whatcom College has one of the top transfer rates in the state of Washington to both California and Washington schools. Their transfer services provide students the information needed to successfully transfer to the school of their choice.







Locations:

Bellingham, Washington



For a full list of programs, visit: www.whatcom.edu/academics/

degrees-certificates/associate-degrees

On-campus housing?

Whatcom provides limited off-campus housing to domestic and international students: these residence halls are located less than two miles from campus.



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