

Involvement Opportunities

International Center Internships

Interns work alongside professional staff to enhance their leadership and communication skills by planning programs, events and activities for the UCI international community. Internships are a commitment of one academic year.

International Center I-STEPS Leaders

I-STEPS Leaders assist I-STEPS instructors at each class meeting, help coordinate and plan social events for I-STEPS students. I-STEPS Leaders build leadership skills by interacting with and supporting new international students.



International Center Volunteers

Volunteers are active members of the International Center and assist interns and professional staff with programs, events and activities throughout the year. Volunteers develop professionally and personally while working as an essential part of the marketing and promotion team for the center.

UCI International Center

The International Center advances and facilitates international engagement at UCI to enhance the academic and personal experience of the international community.

International Center programs and activities provide students, scholars, staff and faculty the opportunity to engage in intercultural learning while fostering skills and knowledge related to international education.

For information on programs and involvement opportunities, visit www.ic.uci.edu/programs



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UCI International Center



Programs & Activities



Courses

I-STEPS

International Students Transitioning to Educational and Personal Success

A 10-week course designed specifically for new, first-year international students. This course provides opportunities to:

- Learn more about U.S. culture in a comfortable environment
- Receive tips and suggestions on how to succeed academically and socially at UCI
- Create a network of friends, staff and faculty at UCI
- Explore on-campus resources and services
- Join Winter guarter for focus in Career Development and Preparation

English Conversation Program (ECP)



A 10-week course where international students have the opportunity to practice and improve their conversational English with the help of English-speaking facilitators. One-onone conversations and group activities are designed for students to:

- Learn about cultural perspectives
- Gain intercultural communication skills
- Recognize the value of our diverse campus community

*Participants of these courses can receive 1.3 Pass/No Pass units.



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Explore Southern California Trips (Explore SoCal)

An opportunity for international students to experience and learn about famous local attractions, points of interest and other exciting activities around Southern California. Transportation is provided to participants.



Scholar Programs

Visiting Scholars at UCI, spouses and their families are welcome to attend a variety of programs and activities offered throughout the year such as social mixers, workshops, and activities to connect with each other and learn about U.S. culture. Scholar Programs provide space and networking opportunities to cultivate connections within the UCI scholar community.

UCI International Center

International Coffee Hour

Co-hosted with the Counseling Center and Center for Excellence in Writing & Communication

A weekly event that provides an opportunity to engage in conversation, create friendships, share own culture, and connect over coffee. tea. snacks, and themed activities.

A series that fosters friendships

and help build teamwork

skills while strengthening

service-learning projects

and supporting our greater

such as beach cleanups and

IC Helping Hands

community through

food drives.

Workshops

Immigration Workshop Series

Provides international students with helpful iob search information, advice on how to be successful in the U.S. workplace and important considerations that affect their visas.

Cultural Connections Series

A drop-in discussion group that provides a safe and private space for students to share their cross-cultural experiences, to discuss their concerns and to support each other throughout the adjustment process.

Life in the U.S. Series

An interactive and educational series that help international students learn about various areas of U.S. culture, including a Halloween festival, board games. American slang words workshop, outdoor games, scavenger hunts, and more.

Across the Bridge: Diversity **Dialogue Series**

Co-hosted with the Cross-Cultural Center and the Study Abroad Center

A quarterly workshop where international and domestic students engage in open conversations about diversity in the U.S., personal identities, and cultural backgrounds and experiences.

Co-hosted with the Counseling Center

Special Programs

The International Center hosts additional programs and activities including Welcome Picnic, Speed Friending, International Education Week, End of Year Celebration. student and staff professional development trainings and much more!

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