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 will develop professionally and personally while working as an essential part of the marketing and promotion team for the 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

The International Center

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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

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.

Across the Bridge: Diversity Dialogue Series
Co-hosted with the Cross-Cultural Center and the Study Abroad Center
A quarterly lunch where international and domestic students have open conversations about diversity in the U.S., personal identities, and cultural backgrounds and experiences.

International Coffee Hour
Co-hosted by the Counseling Center and Center for Excellence in Writing & Communication
An opportunity for international and domestic students to engage in conversations, create friendships, share their culture and connect with the UCI community in a casual and comfortable environment.

IC Helping Hands
Brings international and domestic students together to develop friendships and teamwork skills while strengthening and supporting our greater community through service-learning projects. Students volunteer at various sites around Orange County, which include beach cleanups, food drives, homeless shelters and more.

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

Cultural Connections Series
Co-hosted with the Counseling Center
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 helps international students learn about various areas of U.S. culture. This series informs international students about entertainment, holidays, games and many more topics that are part of living in the U.S.

Courses

Programs & Activities

Workshops

English Conversation Program (ECP)
Provides international students the opportunity to practice and improve their conversational English with the help of English-speaking facilitators. Participants learn about cultural perspectives, gain intercultural communication skills and recognize the value of our diverse campus community. Students are paired in one-on-one conversations and participate in group activities.

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

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