Frequently Asked Questions

International Programs and Partnerships

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1. Where is CSUN/Northridge?

The campus is in Los Angeles, about 30 km from Santa Monica and Hollywood.

CSUN CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY NORTHRIDGE

2. Can I be admitted to a CSUN degree program if I haven't yet met the university's English-language proficiency requirements?

Yes, CSUN has conditional admission for all undergraduate programs and many graduate programs.

3. How long does it take to complete the IEP?

IEP has three tiers: Foundation, Academic Skills (1-5) and University Bridge. The length of time spent in the program depends on the student's level upon arrival and the time needed to acquire an appropriate TOEFL/IELTS score. The University Bridge is for students who would like the option of obtaining an undergraduate or graduate TOEFL waiver. Pre-arrival online placement testing is available.

4. Can I live off campus?

Many housing options are within walking or biking distance. Apartments and houses are available for rent in Northridge and the surrounding neighborhoods. Some students enjoy living with a homestay family, while others prefer to live close to the beach or in another area of Los Angeles, and drive to campus.











5. Do I need a car?

A car is not necessary for students living on campus or in nearby neighborhoods. A wide range of restaurants and stores are within biking/walking distance. CSUN also provides a free shuttle service to a nearby Metrolink station, with connections to buses and trains that serve the greater Los Angeles area and beyond. Zipcars are available on campus. For students planning to commute or travel, having a vehicle is recommended. Permits are required for on campus parking at all times and can be purchased per semester.

6. What if I get sick?

CSUN is located near three major hospitals in case of a medical emergency. For non-emergencies, CSUN's Student Health Center is located on campus and provides services at little or no cost to all students. The health center is staffed with board certified physicians, physical therapists, podiatrists, dentists, optometrists, and more, as well as an on-site pharmacy.

7. Where can I work out or participate in sports?

IEP and SAC students may purchase a membership to the Student Recreation Center (SRC) that features: state-ofthe-art weight and fitness zones, a rock climbing wall, a gymnasium, an indoor track, two outdoor swimming pools, and more. Members can participate in group exercise classes, as well as a variety of team sports through organized intramurals.

8. How much does CSUN cost?

See the table on this page.

9. Do you offer scholarships?

Scholarships are not available to IEP or SAC students. However, CSUN admitted degree-seeking (i.e., matriculated) international students may be able to work on campus for additional income.

10. Is the campus safe?

CSUN is located in a safe, quiet, residential neighborhood. CSUN also has its own police department, located on campus, which is available at all times.

11. What are the TOEFL/IELTS scores required by CSUN?

	Undergraduate Graduate	
iBT TOEFL	61	79
IELTS*	6.0	6.5
itep	5.0	
PTE Academic	45	58

*Some graduate departments may require a higher score.

For more information

CSUN Homepage: www.csun.edu

CSUN Admissions: www.csun.edu/anr

International Students Admissions:

www.csun.edu/admissions-records/international

Academic Calendars: www.csun.edu/facultyaffairs/calendar

Course Catalogs: www.csun.edu/catalog

CSUN News and Achievements: csuntoday.csun.edu



Estimated Cost Per	Semester at CSUN	Intensive English Program (IEP)		
Program	(SAC) 1 Semester	8 Weeks	16 Weeks	24 Weeks
Application Fee	\$300	\$150	\$150	\$150
Conditional Admission Fee*	—	\$100	\$100	\$100
Program Fee	\$500	—	—	—
Tuition Fee	\$6,400	\$3,280	\$6,560	\$9,840
Double Housing & Meal Plan	\$6,310	\$3,180	\$6,720	\$11,320
Other Living Expenses	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$3,000
Estimated Cost Per Semester/ Session	\$15,510	\$7,710	\$15,530	\$24,410

* Fee calculated in estimated cost total

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Master's Degrees at The Tseng College: tsengcollege.csun.edu/masters Custom-Designed and Established Programs: tsengcollege.csun.edu/ELCE