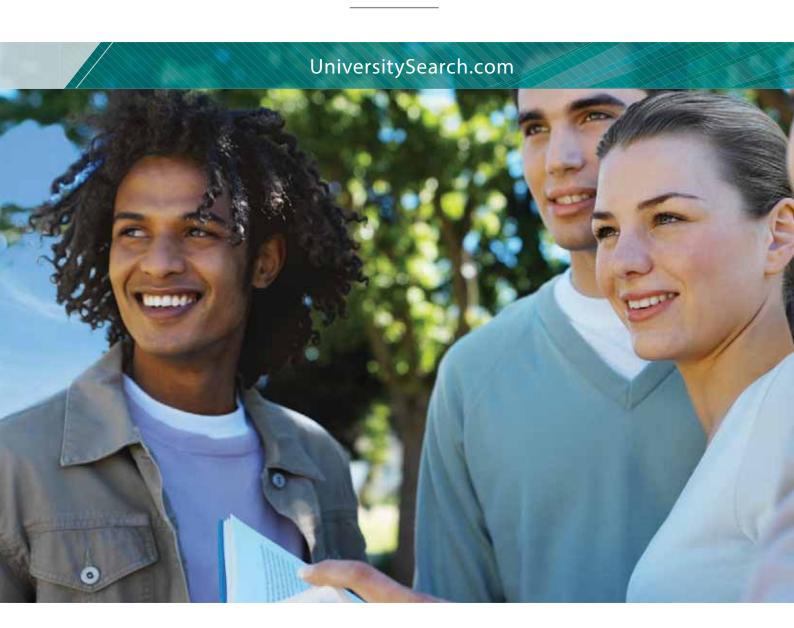


# USA Community College Guide

A Comprehensive Guide to U.S. Community College Admission for International Students





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# A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear students.

Studying in the U.S.A. will be one of the most exciting experiences of your life. When you enroll at ELS Language Centers, ELS can help you choose the right university, and you can get a conditional acceptance before you leave your country.

Each year, thousands of international students study English at ELS to prepare for study in the U.S.A. Many choose to study their first two years in a community college. ELS has educational Counselors in 102 countries, so you can get good advice about which college is right for you.

This brochure explains how easy it is to be accepted to a community college for the first two years of your undergraduate education. Students interested in smaller class sizes, those looking to save money on tuition and those who are looking for a smoother transition into the U.S. higher education system can gain admission to community colleges. The tuition for a community college is much less than the tuition for a four-year university, so you can save thousands of dollars in the first two years you study, and then you can transfer to a highly ranked university system like the University of Washington, California State University, the University of California or the State University of New York.

Enrolling at ELS and getting accepted at a community college are your first steps to earning a degree from a prestigious four-year university. If you prove you are able to earn good grades in the courses you attend during two years at a community college, you can have guaranteed entrance to more highly ranked public universities, transferring most of your courses into the university to enter in your third year. Then you can complete your final two years of university and graduate with a degree with the name of the four-year university, not the community college. In the United States it is very common to begin university studies at a community college. In fact, in some states, such as California, more than 50% of the students attending the University of California began their studies at a community college. Your ELS authorized Counselor at an agency near you will help you prepare your applications, and ELS will deliver them to the admissions departments of your chosen college(s) on your behalf.

Follow your dream. Gain admission today to a community college, and two years from now you will be halfway to earning your degree from a highly ranked four-year university in the location of your choice. Wherever your higher education dreams take you, there will be an ELS Language Center where you can study English to meet the entrance requirements and guarantee your academic success.

Mark W. Harris, President and CEO ELS Educational Services, Inc.

# Overview of the ELS Community College Pathway

# What is the Community College Pathway?

Community colleges are two-year institutions that provide the most economical and easiest pathways to earning a degree from a top-ranked four-year institution. They offer students seeking postsecondary education the first two years of an undergraduate curriculum. You may transfer the credits you earn at your community college of choice to a four-year college or university, where you will complete the coursework needed for a bachelor's degree. The admission process to your four-year institution of choice is streamlined, making the Community College Pathway a direct route to achieving your academic goals. While attending community college, you will also have access to skills training programs that will prepare you to either enter the workforce or study at a four-year institution.

Most four-year undergraduate institutions have agreements with local community colleges for the acceptance of transfer credits upon completion of the two-year community college curriculum.

These agreements and the processes for admission vary by institution and state.

# How can international students benefit from the Community College Pathway?

Community colleges are a vital part of the U.S. postsecondary education system, and the Community College Pathway is growing in popularity among international students.

According to *U.S. News & World Report*, international students can benefit from choosing the community college route because of the opportunities the pathway offers. Two-year programs allow students time to improve their English skills and adapt to aspects of the *U.S.* education system in ways that direct entry to a four-year institution cannot. The lower cost of tuition is, for many families, highly advantageous.

"When students have course options, majors may change as well as school choice for completing their bachelor's degree. Community colleges allow for a period of adjustment to American schools before incurring four-year school tuition rates."\*

\*U.S. News & World Report, October 10, 2012; "Why International Students Should Consider Community Colleges."

# What is a 2+2 Pathway?

One of the key strengths of the community college system is its ability to provide a pathway (2+2 Agreements) and streamlined admission to top-tiered state and private institutions with which community colleges have pathway (degree completion) agreements. Since many students and parents have the attainment of a four-year degree from a top-ranked institution as a primary goal, the guaranteed 2+2 Pathway Agreements remain one of the most economical and easiest ways to earn a degree from a top-ranked institution!

# What are the advantages of the Community College Pathway?

**Cost effectiveness:** Community colleges typically cost much less than state or private institutions. Cutting the years of higher-priced education in half significantly reduces the overall cost of earning a degree.

### Guaranteed admission to highly ranked

**universities:** Some pathway agreements between nationally ranked public and private universities and their affiliated local community colleges provide for guaranteed admission for qualified students.

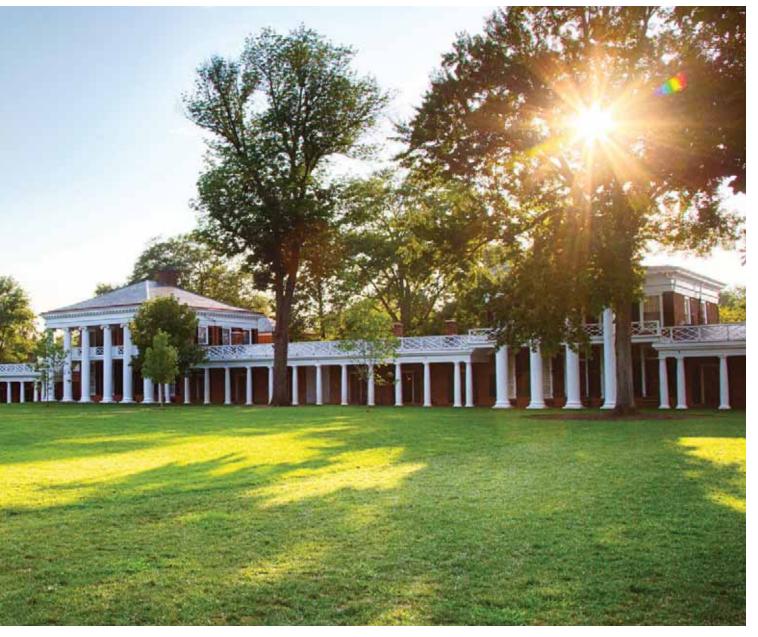
Faster degree completion: Depending on course requirements, completing a bachelor's degree at a state institution may take as many as five or six years. By completing your general education requirements during two years of community college enrollment, you will enter an affiliated four-year institution prepared to earn your bachelor's degree in just two years of additional specific study.



**Smaller class sizes:** Most community college general education classes are smaller than those at four-year state institutions, providing you with greater opportunity for interaction with your instructors as well as more individualized attention.

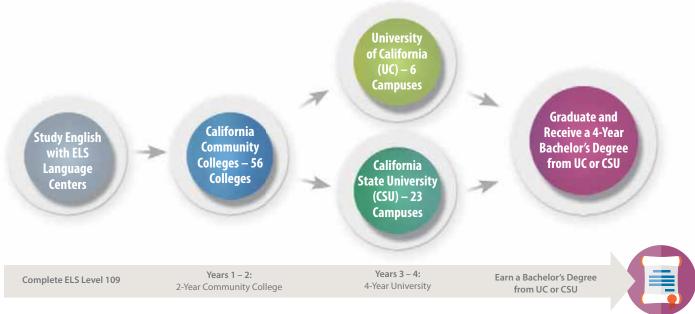
# How can I gain Conditional Admission to a Community College?

More than 175 community colleges in the United States are part of the ELS University Conditional Admission Network (UCAN). These colleges accept completion of a level of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program as proof of the English proficiency required for admission, and also offer conditional admission. Participating institutions will assess your eligibility for admission aside from your English proficiency. If you meet the other admission requirements, you will receive a Conditional Letter of Admission, guaranteeing your admission once you complete the specified level of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program.



# The ELS California Community College Pathway





ELS offers educational pathways for international students to over 175 U.S. community colleges. After graduating from high school and completing Level 109 of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program, you are guaranteed admission to a participating community college. With the help of your advisor, most if not all of your credits earned will transfer to one of the many four-year public or private universities with which community colleges have transfer agreements.

# GRADUATE WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE AND SAVE UP TO \$64,000.\*

# With your high school diploma, apply to a California community college and transfer to a California State University or University of California campus.

ELS has pathway agreements with 56 community colleges in California. After studying at your community college of choice for two years and upon meeting the transfer requirements,\*\* you may be guaranteed admission to a participating four-year university, including one of six University of California campuses – Davis, Irvine, Santa Cruz, Riverside, Merced or Santa Barbara – or at least one of the 23 California State University campuses. International program advisors at your community college will assist you with the process.

Apply through ELS University Admission Services and start your studies now.

<sup>\*</sup>Savings will vary by university.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Students who meet the requirements of the Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) program are guaranteed admission to one of six University of California campuses. Students who complete an Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) or an Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T) degree are guaranteed admission to at least one California State University campus.

# 5 Steps to Earning a Bachelor's Degree via the Community College Pathway

1

# STEP 1 – Send your application to ELS University Admission Services

Consult your Counselor and plan your pathway. Begin the application process with the help of ELS University Admission Services.

2

# STEP 2 – Receive a Conditional Letter of Admission

While still in your home country, you will receive a Conditional Letter of Admission permitting your enrollment upon completion of your ELS English for Academic Purposes program.

3

# STEP 3 – Complete Level 109 of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program at any of the 10 ELS Language Centers in California

To fulfill your community college's English proficiency requirement, successfully complete Level 109 of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program.



# STEP 4 – Enter the ELS California Community College Pathway Partner of your choice

Complete years 1 and 2 with the required minimum overall GPA, and earn credit toward your bachelor's degree.



# STEP 5 - Guaranteed transfer of credit

Complete years 3 and 4 at the University of California or California State University campus of your choice and graduate with a bachelor's degree.

# **BENEFITS**

Complete Level 109 of the English for Academic Purposes program at your ELS Center and your undergraduate general education at a community college, then complete your bachelor's degree at a public university.

- Lower tuition
- Easier admission standards
- Opportunity to transfer to a highly ranked UC or CSU institution
- No TOEFL® or IELTS™ required
- Smaller class sizes

For more information, please visit ELS.edu/CounselorConnect.



Attend one of these four-year universities in California after you complete years 1 and 2 at one of 56 community colleges in California.

#### University of California - 6 Campuses

1 – Davis	3 – Santa Cruz	5 – Merced
2 – Irvine	4 – Riverside	6 – Santa Barbara

#### California State University - 23 Campuses

1 – Bakersfield	9 – Long Beach	17 – San Diego
2 – Channel Islands	10 – Los Angeles	18 – San Francisco
3 – Chico	11 – Maritime	<b>19</b> – San Jose
4 – Dominguez Hills	12 – Monterey Bay	20 – San Luis Obispo
5 – East Bay	13 – Northridge	21 – San Marcos
6 – Fresno	14 – Pomona	<b>22</b> – Sonoma
7 – Fullerton	15 – Sacramento	23 – Stanislaus
8 – Humboldt	16 – San Bernardino	

# California Community College Pathway: Cost Comparison

Average California State University campus \$16,632\* Average University of California campus \$38,108\*

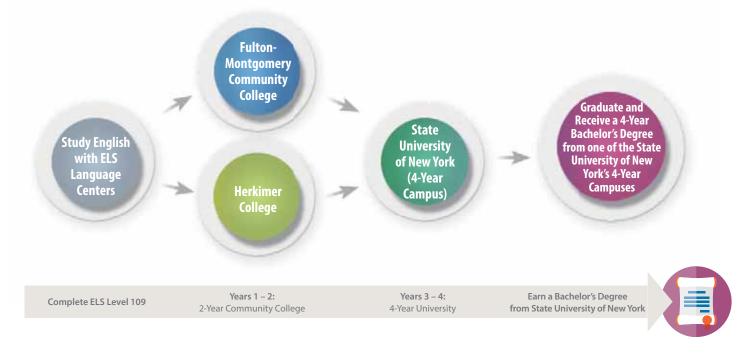
\*The costs above are estimates per academic year and represent the tuition-only costs for international students and out-of-state residents. Tuition rates may vary by campus location. Additional fees may also apply.

## **REQUIREMENTS**

- Complete ELS EAP Level 109 and complete the first two years of a bachelor's degree (60 semester units or 90 quarter units) at the ELS Community College Pathway Partner of your choice
- Provide proof of high school completion or equivalent from the California community college attended
- For UC, complete TAG program, or for CSU, complete an AA-T or AS-T program with the required GPA (follow your advisor's guidance to ensure that you are enrolling in the correct courses to meet your destination university's requirements)

# The ELS New York Community College Pathway





ELS offers educational pathways for international students to over 175 U.S. community colleges. After graduating from high school and completing Level 109 of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program, you are guaranteed admission to a participating community college. With the help of your advisor, most if not all of your credits earned will transfer to one of the many four-year public or private universities with which community colleges have transfer agreements.

# GRADUATE WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE AND SAVE UP TO \$17,000.\*

\*Savings will vary by university.

# Study at Fulton-Montgomery Community College or Herkimer College and receive guaranteed admission to a SUNY four-year campus.

With your high school diploma, you can apply to FMCC or Herkimer College. Study at FMCC or Herkimer College for one or two years and upon completion of an associate degree, you are guaranteed admission to a SUNY four-year campus. FMCC or Herkimer will assist you with the transfer process.

Apply through ELS University Admission Services and start your studies now.

# 5 Steps to Earning a Bachelor's Degree via the Community College Pathway



# STEP 1 – Send your application to ELS University Admission Services

Consult your Counselor and plan your pathway. Begin the application process with the help of ELS University Admission Services.



## STEP 2 – Receive a Conditional Letter of Admission

While still in your home country, you will receive a Conditional Letter of Admission permitting your enrollment upon completion of your ELS English for Academic Purposes program.



# STEP 3 – Complete Level 109 of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program at an ELS Center in New York

To fulfill your community college's English proficiency requirement, successfully complete Level 109 of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program.



# STEP 4 – Enter the Fulton-Montgomery Community College or Herkimer College Pathway Partner of your choice

Complete years 1 and 2 with the required minimum overall GPA, and earn credit toward your bachelor's degree.



## STEP 5 - Guaranteed transfer of credit

Study at a SUNY four-year campus for years 3 and 4 and graduate with a bachelor's degree.

## **BENEFITS**

Complete Level 109 of the English for Academic Purposes program at your ELS Center and your undergraduate general education at a community college, then complete your bachelor's degree at a public university.

- Lower tuition
- Easier admission standards
- Opportunity to transfer to a highly ranked SUNY institution
- No TOEFL® or IELTS™ required
- Smaller class sizes

For more information, please visit ELS.edu/CounselorConnect.



Attend one of these four-year SUNY campuses in New York State after you complete years 1 and 2 at Fulton-Montgomery or Herkimer College in New York.

#### State University of New York

- 1 State University College at Oneonta
- 2 State University College at Old Westbury
- 3 State University College at Oswego
- 4 State University College at Plattsburgh
- 5 State University College at Potsdam
- 6 State University of New York at Albany
- 7 State University of New York Brockport
- 8 State University of New York College of Agriculture and Technology at Cobleskill
- 9 State University of New York College of Agriculture and Technology at Morrisville
- 10 State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry - ESF
- 11 State University of New York College of Technology at Canton

# New York Community College Pathway: Cost Comparison

Average community college \$9,360\* Average baccalaureate degree program \$17,830\*

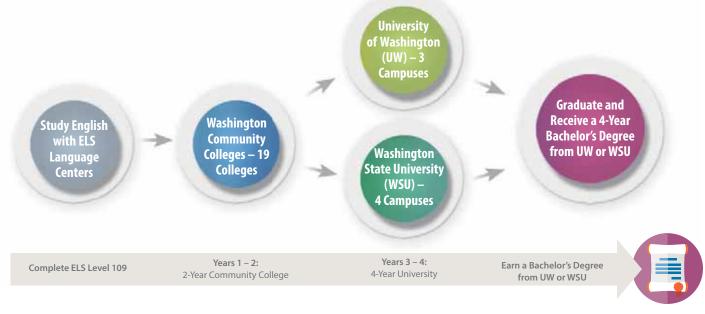
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# **REQUIREMENTS**

- Complete Level 109 of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program and study up to two years at Fulton-Montgomery Community College or Herkimer College
- Official FMCC or Herkimer transcript
- 30 credit hours of study
- Minimum overall GPA of 2.5
- Proof of high school completion or equivalent from EMCC or Herkimer

# The ELS Washington Community College Pathway





ELS offers educational pathways for international students to over 175 U.S. community colleges. After graduating from high school and completing Level 109 of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program, you are guaranteed admission to a participating community college. With the help of your advisor, most if not all of your credits earned will transfer to one of the many four-year public or private universities with which community colleges have transfer agreements.

# GRADUATE WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE AND SAVE UP TO \$50,000.\*

# Study at any of 19 ELS Washington State Community College Partners and take advantage of a Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) or a Direct Transfer Agreement into a top ranked top-ranked university.

With your high school diploma, you can apply to any one of the 19 community colleges with which ELS has pathway agreements in Washington State. After studying at a Washington State community college for two years, and upon meeting the requirements of one of the numerous Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) programs or Direct Transfer Agreements, you are guaranteed admission and/or credit transfer at one of the college's participating pathway universities.\*\*

Apply through ELS University Admission Services and start your studies now.

<sup>\*</sup>Savings will vary by university.

<sup>\*\*</sup>The three campuses of the University of Washington and the four campuses of Washington State University will offer junior-level standing for admitted students who have completed a Direct Transfer Agreement associate degree. Individual community colleges have Transfer Admission Guarantee Agreements with Washington State universities, as well as others within California and other states

# 5 Steps to Earning a Bachelor's Degree via the Community College Pathway



# STEP 1 – Send your application to ELS University Admission Services

Consult your Counselor and plan your pathway. Begin the application process with the help of ELS University Admission Services.



#### STEP 2 – Receive a Conditional Letter of Admission

While still in your home country, you will receive a Conditional Letter of Admission permitting your enrollment upon completion of your ELS English for Academic Purposes program.



# STEP 3 – Complete Level 109 of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program at ELS/Seattle or ELS/Tacoma

To fulfill your community college's English proficiency requirement, successfully complete Level 109 of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program.



# STEP 4 – Enter the ELS Washington State Community College Pathway Partner of your choice

Complete years 1 and 2 with the minimum overall GPA required by your Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) or Direct Transfer Agreement and earn credit toward your bachelor's degree.



## STEP 5 - Guaranteed transfer of credit

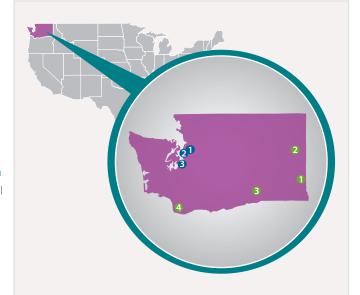
Complete years 3 and 4 at the Washington State University or University of Washington campus of your choice and graduate with a bachelor's degree.

## **BENEFITS**

Complete Level 109 of the English for Academic Purposes program at your ELS Center and your undergraduate general education at a community college, then complete your bachelor's degree at a public university.

- Lower tuition
- Easier admission standards
- Opportunity to transfer to a highly ranked university in Washington State
- No TOEFL® or IELTS™ required
- Smaller class sizes

For more information, please visit ELS.edu/CounselorConnect.



Attend one of these four-year universities in Washington State after you complete years 1 and 2 at one of 19 community colleges in Washington.

#### University of Washington - 3 Campuses

1 – Bothell 3 – Tacoma

2 – Seattle (main campus)

#### **Washington State University – 4 Campuses**

1 – Pullman (main campus)
 2 – Spokane
 3 – Tri-Cities
 4 – Vancouver

# Washington Community College Pathway: Cost Comparison

Average Community College \$9,249\* Average Washington State University campus \$25,550\* Average University of Washington campus \$34,278\*

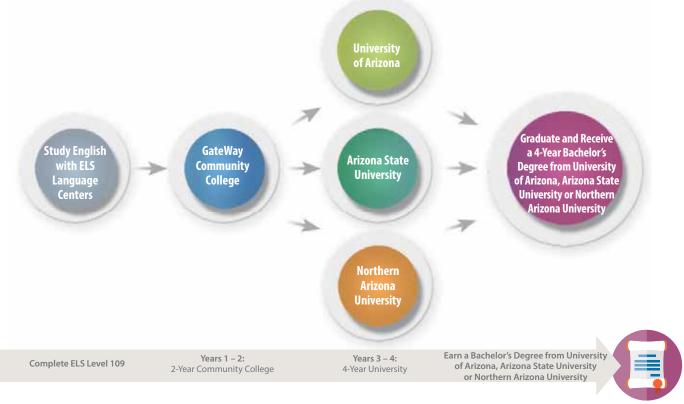
\*The costs above are estimates per academic year and represent the tuition-only costs for international students and out-of-state residents. Tuition rates may vary by campus location. Additional fees may also apply.

# **REQUIREMENTS**

For WSU or UW, complete the Direct Transfer Associate degree curriculum (DTA) and, if available, a Transfer Admission Guarantee Agreement (TAG). If applying to one of the out-of-state universities with which your individual Washington State community college has a TAG agreement, complete the course requirements stipulated in the TAG agreement. TAG agreements typically have a GPA requirement. You must follow your advisor's guidance to ensure that you are enrolling in the correct courses to meet your destination university's requirements.

# / The ELS Arizona Community College Pathway





ELS offers educational pathways for international students to over 175 U.S. community colleges. After graduating from high school and completing Level 109 of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program, you are guaranteed admission to a participating community college. With the help of your advisor, most if not all of your credits earned will transfer to one of the many four-year public or private universities with which community colleges have transfer agreements.

# GRADUATE WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE AND SAVE UP TO \$45,000.\*

# Study at GateWay Community College and transfer to University of Arizona, Arizona State University or Northern Arizona University.

ELS has a pathway agreement with GateWay Community College, located in Phoenix, Arizona. GateWay offers guaranteed pathways for admission into many degree programs at the University of Arizona, Arizona State University and Northern Arizona University. After studying at GateWay for two years, and upon meeting the requirements of the Bridge Program (University of Arizona), the Maricopa-ASU Pathways Program (MAPP), you are guaranteed admission and/or transfer credit at one of these universities.\*\*

Apply through ELS University Admission Services and start your studies now.

<sup>\*</sup>Savings will vary by university.

<sup>\*\*</sup>The University of Arizona, Arizona State University and Northern Arizona University will offer junior-level standing for admitted students who have completed an associate degree that includes the 35 required credits of the Arizona General Education Curriculum (AGEC).

# 5 Steps to Earning a Bachelor's Degree via the Community College Pathway



# STEP 1 – Send your application to ELS University Admission Services

Consult your Counselor and plan your pathway. Begin the application process with the help of ELS University Admission Services.



## STEP 2 – Receive a Conditional Letter of Admission

While still in your home country, you will receive a Conditional Letter of Admission permitting your enrollment upon completion of your ELS English for Academic Purposes program.



# STEP 3 – Complete Level 109 of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program

To fulfill your community college's English proficiency requirement, successfully complete Level 109 of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program.



# STEP 4 – Enter the GateWay Community College Pathway Partner of your choice

Complete years 1 and 2 with the required minimum overall GPA and earn credit toward your bachelor's degree.



## STEP 5 - Guaranteed transfer of credit

Study at University of Arizona, Arizona State University or Northern Arizona University for years 3 and 4 and graduate with a bachelor's degree.

# **BENEFITS**

Complete Level 109 of the English for Academic Purposes program at your ELS Center and your undergraduate general education at a community college, then complete your bachelor's degree at a public university.

- Lower tuition
- Easier admission standards
- Opportunity to transfer to a highly ranked institution
- No TOEFL® or IELTS™ required
- Smaller class sizes

For more information, please visit UniversitySearch.com/CCPathways.



Attend one of these four-year universities in Arizona after you complete years 1 and 2 at GateWay Community College in Arizona.

- 1 University of Arizona
- 2 Arizona State University
- 3 Northern Arizona University

# Arizona Community College Pathway: Cost Comparison

Arizona Maricopa Community Colleges \$9,750\* University of Arizona \$32,630\* Northern Arizona University \$23,348\* Arizona State University \$25,458\*

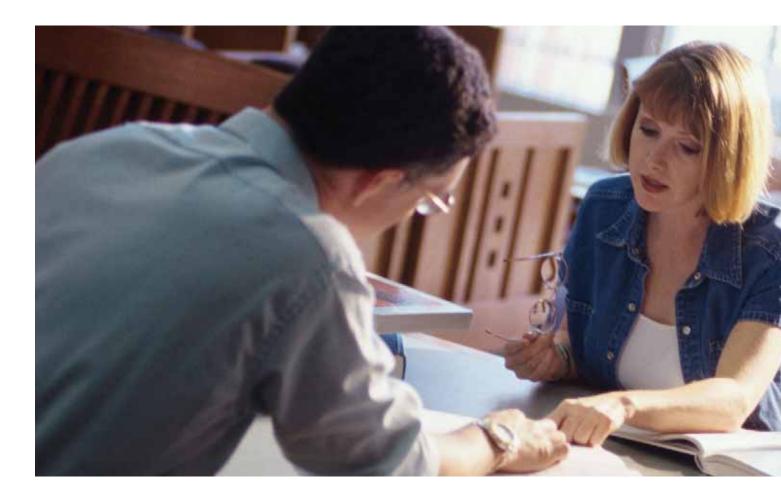
\*The costs above are estimates per academic year and represent the tuition-only costs for international students and out-of-state residents. Tuition rates may vary by campus location. Additional fees may also apply.

# **REQUIREMENTS**

For UA, NAU or ASU, complete the 35 required credits of the Arizona General Education Curriculum (AGEC) and, if available for your intended major, either the MAPP or Bridge Program agreement (if applying to UA or ASU). The MAPP and Bridge Program agreements have a GPA requirement and may have additional course requirements. You must follow your advisor's guidance to ensure you are enrolling in the correct courses to meet your destination university's requirements.

For more information, please visit ELS.edu/CounselorConnect.

# Comprehensive U.S. University Admission Services



The ELS University Admission Services (UAS) team, based in Princeton, New Jersey, has helped thousands of international students from around the world achieve their dreams of entering a community college and transferring to a four-year college or university in the United States.

ELS has partnerships with more than 175 community colleges that accept completion of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program as meeting the English proficiency requirement for admission. Additionally, these partner schools issue Conditional Letters of Admission (CLA).

ELS's team of U.S. higher education experts, its strategic university partnerships and its rigorous academic English programs make ELS the perfect preparation for college and university studies in the U.S.A.

### **Advising**

ELS University Admission Services has a team of U.S. higher education experts who help students select the institutions

that best meet their education and career goals. Contact an ELS authorized Counselor or visit UniversitySearch.com for more information.

# **University Agreements – Conditional Admission**

UAS helps secure conditional admission for students who wish to gain community college admission prior to being able to provide proof of English proficiency. Students can choose from 175 community colleges and hundreds more universities that have conditional admission agreements with ELS.

#### **Document Processing**

ELS handles all applications and correspondence with the institution(s) selected.

### **Notification**

ELS sends notification of conditional admission and all other necessary documents via express courier.

# **ELS Quality Instruction**



ELS provides quality instruction in listening, speaking, reading and writing. All programs provide placement testing upon arrival and place you in one of our first nine proficiency levels (Levels 101 – 109). Each English for Academic Purposes level consists of 30 class hours weekly of teacher-led instruction. All sessions are four weeks in duration. At the end of each session, students who have successfully met the requirements for that level will progress to the next ELS level of study and immediately begin the new session.

You can begin your ELS program on any one of the 26 starting dates each year and can choose to study for any number of four-week sessions. Those students who complete Level 109 of the intensive English for Academic Purposes program will receive our Level 109 Certificate of Completion. This official document is accepted as proof of English proficiency for admission at more than 175 community colleges.\*

#### **Core Classes**

The ELS curriculum is centered on core classes that are the essential building blocks for successful language learning. Levels may be grouped into Beginner, Intermediate,

Advanced and Masters to allow students of similar abilities and interests to study together. When levels are combined, each student is tracked and evaluated according to his or her specific level in the program.

Core classes are structured to incorporate vital areas of English language learning. This provides you with wellbalanced instruction in all English language skills.

- Structure and Speaking Practice: This class includes instruction in speaking, listening, grammar and more.
- Language Technology Center: Technology-supported learning in our Language Technology Centers allows you to concentrate on your individual learning needs and objectives. You also have access to the Internet in order to complete research projects.
- Vocabulary Enrichment: These classes offer a systematic approach to vocabulary study to help you learn, use and remember new vocabulary.
- Reading and Writing: This class concentrates on the development of reading comprehension, as well as writing fluency and accuracy.

\*ELS students submitting their applications through an ELS authorized Counselor receive a discount on the Processing Fee. ELS therefore recommends that ELS students contact their local ELS authorized Counselor (see UniversitySearch.com/CounselorConnect for a full listing) to schedule a meeting to learn about our university advising and application services.

# **English for Academic Purposes**

- Beginner students: Conversation, Vocabulary and Listening Comprehension
- Intermediate students: One class will focus on general communication skills, such as American Idioms or Real World Listening, and a second class will focus on academic literacy skills, such as Intermediate Academic Writing and University Preparation Skills.
- Advanced and Masters students: Both classes will focus on academic skills, such as Listening and Note-taking, Advanced Academic Writing, and Speech and Debate.

# / ELS Classes and Levels ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES

Studying at a college outside of your home country is very demanding. It requires a high level of English proficiency. The intensive English for Academic Purposes program gives you the opportunity to focus on the academic skills you will need to succeed in your pursuit of higher education.



In the English for Academic Purposes program, you benefit from morning classes that are designed to build a foundation for communicative competency: Structure and Speaking Practice (or Language Studies), Vocabulary Enrichment (or Skills Enhancement Classes in Masters levels) and one lesson in our Language Technology Center. Afternoons are dedicated to Reading and Writing classes designed to give you the academic writing skills required for future studies.

# **Course Curriculum**

 The development of all key language skills and elements, such as listening, speaking, reading, writing, pronunciation and vocabulary, allows you to communicate accurately and effectively in the academic world and beyond.

- You practice conversation and other speaking skills using practical, real-world English. You learn to write with accuracy and effectiveness, develop strategic listening skills and improve your use of grammar.
- In our Language Technology Centers, you work on your individual language skills and objectives through technology-supported learning.
- Complete Level 109 of the English for Academic Purposes program, and you will be awarded a certificate that confirms that you have achieved the language proficiency needed to fulfill the English language requirement for admission at any one of our U.S. Community College Pathway Partners.\*

<sup>\*</sup>Some community colleges may require a different ELS Level.

# ELS Level Chart

ELS offers 12 levels of instruction designed to address the needs of students across the spectrum of English proficiency – from those coming to ELS with the most basic of skills to students with greater fluency who are just steps away from entering a college or university program. The 12 levels build upon one another like a pyramid, relying on the foundation of skills learned at lower levels and moving upward in complexity as the levels increase.

Options for higher education become available to you as you move up the pyramid, providing you with opportunities to put your newly acquired skills to work in ways that help you reach your goal of admission to a college or university.

With every level you progress up the pyramid, you are closer to reaching the pinnacle of the ELS program.

Successful completion of Level 109 will satisfy the minimum admissions requirement at most ELS partner community colleges. Completion of one or more of the ELS Masters levels may save you time and better prepare you for academic success.\*

# **The ELS Levels Progression**

MASTERS\* LEVEL 112 LEVEL 111 LEVEL 110



- Speaks and understands English with ease
- Reads and writes with sufficient proficiency to satisfy the requirements of challenging college and university coursework
- Conducts business competently in English

#### **Higher Education Option upon Completion:**

- Prepare to begin a four-year college or university degree program
- Communicates effectively in most social situations
- Understands a wide range of idioms
- Maintains extended conversations with native speakers
- Uses English with growing accuracy and fluency, including reading and writing
- Participates fully in most conversations

#### **Higher Education Option upon Completion:**

- Enroll concurrently in some host university courses
- Prepare to enter a two-year college



ADVANCED

LEVEL 109

LEVEL 108

LEVEL 107

# INTERMEDIATE

LEVEL 106 LEVEL 105 LEVEL 104



- Communicates facts and opinions
- Discusses and argues in a culturally acceptable way
- Understands most questions and statements at normal speaking speed
- Carries on conversations with native speakers
- Uses English to shop, order food in restaurants and ask for directions
- Communicates at a basic level in everyday situations
- Understands English when spoken slowly and clearly
- Understands a few words and phrases
- Responds to simple questions and directions



BEGINNER
LEVEL 103
LEVEL 102
LEVEL 101

\*The majority of associate degree-granting colleges accept completion of ELS English for Academic Purposes Level 109 as proof of English proficiency equivalent to the minimum TOEFL® or IELTS™ scores required for admission. Community colleges require that all incoming international students take an English placement test to determine what additional English training they may require. Completion of the ELS Masters levels, while not required for most community colleges, will reduce the number of additional English courses that may be required (saving you time), and will further enrich your English skills and equip you with more tools for success in college. A few schools require completion of higher levels; see UniversitySearch.com for details.



# Tacoma, Washington



**Location** Urban

**Total Enrollment 1.400** 

**Academic Calendar Quarters** 

**Public** 

## **Average Temperatures**

Low (winter): 41°F/5°C High (summer): 64°F/18°C

# **ACCREDITATION(S)**

NWCCU

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/Tacoma

# **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$9,900
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$8,700 <sup>H2</sup>
I-20	\$18,600

H2: Housing not available, but housing cost is estimated per I-20.

Founded in 1940, Bates Technical College is located in Tacoma, Washington, the third-largest city in the state, with a population of 200,000. The college has three campuses within the city, and serves more than 9,000 students annually, with 4,400 in full-time career education programs. Bates offers high school completion, two-year associate degrees, certificates of competency and training, industry certifications and, in certain programs, preparation for the achievement of state licensure. The college also houses its own PBS-affiliated public television station, KBTC.

Thirty minutes from Seattle and Olympia, the state capital, Tacoma is a progressive international city nestled at the foot of Mount Rainier and along the shores of Commencement Bay. The vibrant city houses several museums, a thriving theater district and countless maritime activities. The Bates campus is surrounded by several bus lines and is within walking distance of affordable apartment housing, restaurants, parks and fitness facilities, making traveling and accessing resources in Tacoma easy and convenient. Because of its pristine location, Tacoma offers students both the excitement of city life and unparalleled natural beauty.

# **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	GPA	Application Deadlines				Required
MAJORS	GPA	FALL	SPRING	SUMMER	WINTER	ELS Level
Civil Engineering	2.0	26-Sep	27-Mar	12-Jun	3-Jan	109
Dental Lab Technician	2.0	1-Aug	1-Nov	1-Jan	1-Apr	109
Marketing and Business Management	2.0	26-Sep	27-Mar	12-Jun	3-Jan	109
Practical Nurse	2.0	26-Sep	27-Mar	12-Jun	3-Jan	109
Web Development	2.0	26-Sep	27-Mar	12-Jun	3-Jan	109

#### PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

Bates maintains articulation agreements with The Evergreen State College, City University of Seattle, University of Phoenix, Mayville State University and Montana State University.

Top-ranked 2+2 Guaranteed University Pathways include:

- The Evergreen State College
- City University of Seattle
- University of Phoenix

- Mayville State University
- Montana State University





For complete and up-to-date information, visit UniversitySearch.com/Bates.



# **Boston, Massachusetts**



**Location** Urban

**Total Enrollment 14,000** 

**Academic Calendar** Semesters

**Public** 

**Average Temperatures** 

Low (winter): 22°F/-6°C High (summer): 80°F/27°C

# ACCREDITATION(S)

NEASC

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/Boston - Downtown

### **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$10,520
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$9,675 <sup>H2, M1</sup>
I-20	\$21,100

H2: Housing not available, but housing cost is estimated per I-20. M1: Meals not available, but meal cost is estimated per I-20.



Bunker Hill Community College (BHCC), the largest community college in Massachusetts and among the fastest-growing two-year colleges in the United States, welcomes more than 950 international students from approximately 100 countries. BHCC offers more than 100 excellent certificate and degree programs, outstanding faculty and individualized attention. Since its founding in 1973, BHCC has made international education a priority by incorporating multicultural and international perspectives in its courses, programs and institutional climate; it is internationally recognized for the development of individualized and alternative methods of instruction.

BHCC is located in Boston, the cultural and historic center of New England. BHCC's Charlestown Campus is only a 10-minute drive from downtown Boston and its many cultural, historical, entertainment and athletic centers. Boston has the largest number of colleges and universities in the U.S. Students love the international and historical environment of Boston. Agreements between BHCC and many four-year colleges and universities allow BHCC graduates to transfer, often with junior-year status, to other institutions throughout the United States. BHCC's transfer counselors help students with the transfer process.

#### **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	GPA	Application Deadlines			Required
MAJORS	GPA	FALL	SPRING	SUMMER	ELS Level
Biomedical Engineering Option	2.0	15-Jul	30-Nov	21-Apr	109
Business Concentration	2.0	15-Jul	30-Nov	21-Apr	109
Computer Science Concentration	2.0	15-Jul	30-Nov	21-Apr	109
Digital and Computer Forensics and Investigations Options	2.0	15-Jul	30-Nov	21-Apr	109
Engineering Transfer Option	2.0	15-Jul	30-Nov	21-Apr	109

### PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

Bunker Hill Community College is dedicated to creating partnerships with four-year colleges and universities. These agreements are designed to help students make a smooth transition when transferring from BHCC to a four-year institution.

Bunker Hill Community College has articulation agreements with the following academic institutions:

- Bentley University
- Lesley College
- Northeastern University
- Salem State University
- Suffolk University

- University of Massachusetts at Amherst
- University of Massachusetts at Boston
- University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth
- University of Massachusetts at Lowell



For complete and up-to-date information, visit UniversitySearch.com/BHCC.



# Torrance, California



**Location** Suburban

**Total Enrollment 29,000** 

**Academic Calendar Semesters** 

**Public** 

## **Average Temperatures**

Low (winter): 50°F/10°C High (summer): 86°F/30°C

# ACCREDITATION(S)

WASC

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/Santa Monica

# **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$6,000*
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$9,000 <sup>H2, M1</sup>
I-20	\$19,500

H2: Housing not available, but housing cost is estimated per I-20. M1: Meals not available, but meal cost is estimated perI-20.

\*The costs above are estimates per academic year and represent the tuition-only costs for international students and out-of-state residents. Tuition rates may vary by campus location. Additional fees may also apply.



El Camino College (ECC), founded in 1947, is a public community college serving 29,000 students. The 50-hectare campus includes beautifully landscaped lawns and 42 attractive buildings. ECC offers 85 associate degrees and certificate programs. It is in the top 10 community colleges in transfers to University of California and California State University campuses. Many El Camino students take advantage of transfer agreements to complete bachelor's degrees at some of the finest colleges and universities in the United States. More than 40 student-run clubs, including an International Student Club, and sports such as U.S. soccer, basketball, volleyball, tennis, golf, martial arts and badminton, provide a variety of social and service opportunities.

ECC is located in Torrance, between Los Angeles and Orange counties, on the beautiful Pacific coast of Southern California. Torrance is an important tourist and business destination. Freeways connect the city to any location in the metropolitan Los Angeles area and provide easy access to world-famous cultural and entertainment facilities. El Camino College is located within 10 minutes of Pacific coast beaches and Los Angeles International Airport. It is a 30-minute drive from Hollywood, Beverly Hills, downtown Los Angeles and Chinatown. Disneyland, Universal Studios and Pasadena are within an hour's drive.

## **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	GPA	Application Deadlines				
MAJORS	GPA	FALL	SPRING	ELS Level		
Business Administration	2.0	1-Jul	1-Dec	109		
Computer Science	2.0	1-Jul	1-Dec	109		
Film/Cinema and Fashion Design/ Merchandising	2.0	1-Jul	1-Dec	109		
Education	2.0	1-Jul	1-Dec	109		
Engineering (Pre)	2.0	1-Jul	1-Dec	109		

## PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

El Camino College maintains full articulation agreements with over 100 universities, including every University of California (UC) campus and nearly every California State University (CSU) campus, plus many independent and private colleges and universities.

Top-ranked 2+2 Guaranteed University Pathways include:

- University of California, San Diego
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- California State University, Long Beach
- California State University, Fullerton
- California Polytechnic University, Pomona
- San Diego State University
- California State University, Los Angeles
- University of Southern California



For complete and up-to-date information, visit UniversitySearch.com/ElCamino.



Los Altos Hills and Cupertino, California

**Location** Suburban

Total Enrollment 36,000 (both campuses)

**Academic Calendar Quarters** 

**Public** 

**Average Temperatures** 

Low (winter): 52°F/11°C High (summer): 68°F/20°C

#### ACCREDITATION(S)

WASC

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/Silicon Valley

# **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$6,000*
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$12,000 <sup>H1</sup>
I-20	\$21,684

H1: Housing cost includes meals, cannot be separated from meal cost, and is equal to living expenses per I-20.

\*The costs above are estimates per academic year and represent the tuition-only costs for international students and out-of-state residents. Tuition rates may vary by campus location. Additional fees may also apply.



Foothill College and De Anza College are located in the heart of Silicon Valley, south of San Francisco, California. Foothill College, home to about 13,000 students, offers a scenic and peaceful atmosphere. De Anza College is home to about 24,000 students and provides a lively campus atmosphere. Together, both colleges welcome students from 110 countries and offer personalized attention, state-of-the-art classrooms and laboratories, small class sizes, athletics facilities, theaters and more. Students from Foothill College and De Anza College are regularly accepted into the third year at prestigious institutions such as UC Berkeley, UCLA, UC Davis, USC, Columbia, Yale, Stanford, NYU and Indiana University. Alumni include founders of Apple Inc. Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak.

Silicon Valley is home to top companies such as Apple, Google, Adobe, Tesla, Intel, NASA Research Labs and Facebook, and cities in the area, including San Francisco and San Jose, have been named as top cities for young professionals. With 300 sunny days a year, the area allows students to enjoy some of the best beaches, hiking, golfing and sightseeing, all very close to the campuses! The nearby cities of Sunnyvale, Santa Clara and San Jose are consistently ranked as the country's safest.

# **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	GPA	Application Deadlines			Required
MAJORS	GPA	FALL	SPRING	SUMMER	ELS Level
Business Administration – Foothill	2.0	30-Jun	31-Oct	31-Jan	109
Computer Science – Foothill	2.0	30-Jun	31-Oct	31-Jan	109
Economics – Foothill	2.0	30-Jun	31-Oct	31-Jan	109
Engineering – Foothill	2.0	30-Jun	31-Oct	31-Jan	109
Theatre Arts – Foothill	2.0	30-Jun	31-Oct	31-Jan	109
Biological Sciences – De Anza	2.0	30-Jun	31-Oct	31-Jan	109
Business Administration – De Anza	2.0	30-Jun	31-Oct	31-Jan	109
Communication Studies – De Anza	2.0	30-Jun	31-Oct	31-Jan	109
Film/Video Production – De Anza	2.0	30-Jun	31-Oct	31-Jan	109

## PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

Foothill College and De Anza College maintain over 100 articulation agreements with four-year universities and colleges across the U.S. and around the world. To see a complete list of Transfer University Partnerships, visit international.fhda.edu/ArticulationAgreement.pdf.

Top-ranked 2+2 Guaranteed University Pathways include:

- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of California, Santa Cruz
- University of California, Riverside
- · Arizona State University
- Preferred Admission/Pathway Programs to:
- University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)
- University of California, Berkeley



For complete and up-to-date information, visit UniversitySearch.com/Foothill and UniversitySearch.com/DeAnza



## Westminster, Colorado





**Location** Suburban

**Total Enrollment** 6,500

**Academic Calendar** Semesters

**Public** 

## **Average Temperatures**

Low (winter): 34°F/1°C High (summer): 75°F/24°C

# ACCREDITATION(S)

HLC, NCACS

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/Denver

### **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$10,000
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$10,000 <sup>H2</sup>
I-20	\$25,000

 ${\it H2: Housing not available, but housing cost is estimated per I-20.}$ 



The Front Range Community College Westminster campus is located in a beautiful northern suburb of the Denver metropolitan area along the Rocky Mountains, making it an ideal place to live. The city bus system provides easy access to downtown museums, events and concerts, while the Rocky Mountains provide students with opportunities for scenic hiking, camping, skiing, snowboarding and many other outdoor activities year-round.

## **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	GPA	Application Deadlines			Required
MAJORS	GPA	FALL	SPRING	SUMMER	ELS Level
Accounting	2.0	1-Aug	15-Dec	1-May	109
Business	2.0	1-Aug	15-Dec	1-May	109
Computer Information Systems	2.0	1-Aug	15-Dec	1-May	109
Liberal Arts and Studies	2.0	1-Aug	15-Dec	1-May	109
Sciences	2.0	1-Aug	15-Dec	1-May	109

# PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

Front Range Community College has articulation agreements with every public institution in the state of Colorado and a few private/independent institutions.

- University of Colorado Boulder
- University of Colorado Denver
- Colorado State University





For complete and up-to-date information, visit UniversitySearch.com/FRCC.



# Johnstown, New York



**Location** Rural

**Total Enrollment 2,800** 

**Academic Calendar** Semesters

**Public** 

**Average Temperatures** 

Low (winter): 23°F/-5°C High (summer): 77°F/25°C

#### ACCREDITATION(S)

MSACS

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/Rochester

### **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$7,800*
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$11,000 <sup>H1</sup>
I-20	\$22,000

H1: Housing cost includes meals, cannot be separated from meal cost, and is equal to living expenses per I-20.

\*The costs above are estimates per academic year and represent the tuition-only costs for international students and out-of-state residents. Additional fees may also apply.



Fulton-Montgomery Community College (FMCC), a campus of the State University of New York (SUNY), is committed to helping students reach their educational goals by providing a quality education in an environment that nurtures success. With over 40 degree and certificate programs, FMCC offers small classes, individualized attention and many diverse programs. International students find FMCC a good place to start in the U.S. system of higher education because the college develops a strong academic foundation and the self-confidence that foreign students need to pursue their studies in the United States.

Fulton-Montgomery Community College is located on 195 acres in the foothills of the beautiful Adirondack Mountains in the city of Johnstown, between Albany and Utica, New York. The nearby mountains offer limitless outdoor activities, while Johnstown and the surrounding cities give students the opportunity to shop, dine and explore the area's rich history and culture. Centered on a picturesque campus quad, FMCC campus facilities include a Student Union building; the Evans Library; the Communications and Media Arts building; a Physical Education building, which houses a state-of-the art Wellness Center; a Classroom building and an Administration building. Students can choose from over 30 on-campus clubs and organizations, as well as several competitive sports teams.

# **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	GPA	Application	Application Deadlines		
MAJORS	GPA	FALL	SPRING	ELS Level	
Accounting	2.0	Rolling		109	
Criminal Justice	2.0	Rolling		109	
Electrical Technology	2.0	Rolling		109	
Fine Arts	2.0	Rolling		109	
Health Science	2.0	Rolling		109	

### PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

After completing your associate degree at FMCC, you can continue your bachelor's degree within SUNY or another public or private institution in the U.S. Conditional acceptance is also available for applicants with SUNY – Brockport and University at Albany.

Top-ranked 2+2 Guaranteed University Pathways include:

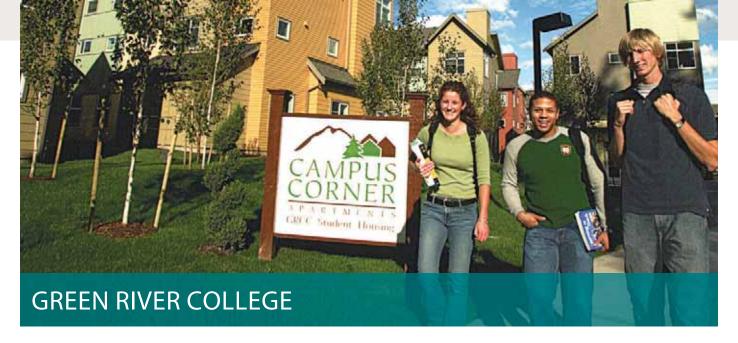
- · College of St. Rose
- SUNY Brockport
- SUNY College at Oswego
- SUNY Plattsburgh
- SUNY College at Potsdam
- SUNY College of Technology at Cobleskill
- University at Albany

FMCC has transfer articulation agreements with many public and private universities including:

- SUNY Stony Brook
- SUNY University at Binghamton
- SUNY University at Buffalo
- Cornell University
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Syracuse University



For complete and up-to-date information, visit UniversitySearch.com/FMCC.



# **Auburn, Washington**



**Location** Suburban

**Total Enrollment** 10,400

**Academic Calendar Quarters** 

**Public** 

**Average Temperatures** 

Low (winter): 40°F/4°C High (summer): 80°F/27°C

# ACCREDITATION(S)

NWCCU

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/Tacoma, ELS/Seattle, ELS/Portland

# **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$9,900
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$8,400 <sup>H2</sup>
I-20	\$19,899

H2: Housing not available, but housing cost is estimated per I-20.



Green River College (GRC) is an award-winning, nationally recognized public college with 10,000 students and 1,700 international students from more than 67 countries. GRC offers Washington State High School Diplomas (dual degree/fast track); Associate's and Bachelor's Degrees; University Transfer and Direct Transfer Pathways to university partners; GAP year; and Professional, Technical and Certificate programs. Students choose GRC for its quality education, small class sizes, beautiful campus and state-of-the-art facilities. International Programs and Extended Learning (IPEL) is known for providing outstanding support services to international students and helping them transfer to top universities throughout the world. The IPEL team includes Housing Managers; Activity and Recreation Directors; Club Advisors; Academic Advisors, who provide personalized degree and transfer planning; Peer Mentors; and a team specifically for High School Completion students. GRC offers both homestay accommodations and on-campus residences, and the IP Housing Team works exclusively with international students. GRC does not use a company to place students with host families.

GRC is in Auburn, Washington, a residential town of 70,000 people located between Tacoma and Seattle. Auburn is a two-hour drive from both Portland and Vancouver. The area is well-known for global companies such as Starbucks, Boeing, Microsoft, Costco and Amazon.com. The area offers a variety of arts and entertainment and is known for its natural beauty, state and national parks, and outdoor recreation, including skiing, snowboarding, hiking and boating, among many others.

# **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	GPA		Required			
MAJORS	GPA	FALL	SPRING	SUMMER	WINTER	ELS Level
Aviation	2.0	15-Jul	15-Oct	15-Jan	15-Apr	109
Business Administration	2.0	15-Jul	15-Oct	15-Jan	15-Apr	109
Computer Science	2.0	15-Jul	15-Oct	15-Jan	15-Apr	109
Engineering	2.0	15-Jul	15-Oct	15-Jan	15-Apr	109
International Relations	2.0	15-Aug	15-Nov	15-Feb	16-May	109

# PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

Green River College offers conditional guaranteed acceptance to many partner universities including UC Irvine, UC Santa Barbara, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, University of Oregon, Purdue and many others. GRC issues acceptance letters on official letterhead directly from university pathway partners when students apply to GRC.

Top-ranked 2+2 Guaranteed University Pathways include:

- University of Washington Tacoma
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of Oregon

- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
- Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI)



For complete and up-to-date information, visit UniversitySearch.com/GreenRiver.



# Tampa, Florida



**Location** Urban

**Total Enrollment** 44,419

**Academic Calendar** Semesters

**Public** 

**Average Temperatures** 

Low (winter): 55°F/13°C High (summer): 90°F/32°C

#### ACCREDITATION(S)

SACS

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/Tampa

### **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$9,111
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$10,170 <sup>H1</sup>
I-20	\$20,481

H1: Housing cost includes meals, cannot be separated from meal cost, and is equal to living expenses per I-20.



Hillsborough Community College (HCC) is an accredited community college with five campuses and more than 44,000 students. HCC students enjoy a unique learning environment with features not often found at community colleges – including luxury, on-campus housing, nationally ranked athletic programs, a wide range of associate degree programs, dedicated international student support services and seamless transfer to four-year universities – all at half the cost of most state universities. HCC helps students explore their university options while they complete their first two years of university study at HCC. Graduates from HCC's Honors Institute have gone on to attend some of the most prestigious colleges and universities in the U.S. With a variety of clubs, concerts, sporting events and more, HCC students have many opportunities to enjoy fulfilling college experiences beyond the classroom.

HCC is located in the beautiful Tampa Bay region on Florida's west central coast, known for its year-round sunshine, a vibrant cultural scene, some of the best beaches in the world, sports of all kinds and excellent higher education opportunities. Tampa Bay boasts a desirable coastal community lifestyle, with world-class sports attractions, cultural venues, and great shopping and dining. A sunny, subtropical climate allows for year-round outdoor activities. Popular Florida theme parks and attractions such as Walt Disney World are just a short drive away.

#### **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

	GPA	Application Deadlines			Required
MAJORS		FALL	SPRING	SUMMER	ELS Level
Business Administration	2.0	15-Jul	1-Dec	15-Apr	109
Computer Science	2.0	15-Jul	1-Dec	15-Apr	109
Engineering	2.0	15-Jul	1-Dec	15-Apr	109
Health Science	2.0	15-Jul	1-Dec	15-Apr	109
Liberal Arts and Studies	2.0	15-Jul	1-Dec	15-Apr	109

## PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

HCC offers students many pathways to a bachelor's degree at public and private institutions. As an HCC graduate, you are guaranteed a seat in one of the 12 Florida state universities and preapproved to transfer your HCC credits toward degree requirements at the University of South Florida (USF).

Top-ranked 2+2 Guaranteed University Pathways include:

- University of South Florida
- Florida State University
- University of Central Florida
- University of Florida

- University of North Florida
- University of Miami
- Florida International University
- Florida Atlantic University



For complete and up-to-date information, visit UniversitySearch.com/HCCFL.



# Hollywood, California





**Location** Urban

**Total Enrollment 2,500** 

**Academic Calendar** 12 months

**Private** 

**Average Temperatures** 

Low (winter): 58°F/14°C High (summer): 82°F/28°C

ACCREDITATION(S)

ACCSCT

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/Hollywood

# **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$18,000
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$18,000 <sup>H1</sup>
I-20	\$40,000

H1: Housing cost includes meals, cannot be separated from meal cost, and is equal to living expenses per I-20.



With the school located in the heart of Hollywood, students are steps away from everything the Entertainment Capital of the World has to offer. The historic Dolby Theatre, The Palladium and The Pantages Theatre are excellent live venues, and the school is located across the street from the historic Cinerama Dome, where movie and television premieres frequently take place. With wonderful weather year-round, the daily adventures are endless.

# **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

		Application Deadlines				Required
MAJORS	GPA	FALL	SPRING	SUMMER	WINTER	ELS Level
Music Production (Associate)	2.0	ROLLING			110	
Animation (Bachelor's)	2.0	ROLLING			112	
Entertainment Business (Bachelor's)	2.0	ROLLING			112	
Film Production (Bachelor's)	2.0	ROLLING			112	





 $For complete \ and \ up-to-date \ information, \ visit \ University Search. com/Los Angeles Film School.$ 



# Oceanside, California



**Location** Suburban

**Total Enrollment 14,500** 

**Academic Calendar** Semesters

**Public** 

**Average Temperatures** 

Low (winter): 49°F/10°C High (summer): 77°F/25°C

ACCREDITATION(S)

WASC

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/San Diego

### **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$6,000*
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$11,500 <sup>H1, M2</sup>
I-20	\$21,000

H1: Housing cost includes meals, cannot be separated from meal cost, and is equal to living expenses per I-20.

M2: Meal costs vary, so cost is approximate per I-20.

\*The costs above are estimates per academic year and represent the tuition-only costs for international students and out-of-state residents. Tuition rates may vary by campus location. Additional fees may also apply.



MiraCosta College has been meeting the educational needs of the local Southern California community for over 80 years. Founded in 1934, MiraCosta currently enrolls a diverse population of over 14,000 students. The college offers more than 70 certificate programs and 50 associate degree programs. The college appeals to international students due to small average class sizes, individualized attention from faculty and staff, affordable tuition and university transfer options. The college also offers a variety of competitive athletic teams, oncampus student clubs and organizations, and extensive student support services.

The MiraCosta campus is a friendly and safe environment within driving distance to Los Angeles, Mexico, Disneyland, Hollywood, La Jolla, the San Diego Zoo, SeaWorld and other world-famous attractions in Southern California. Facilities include a beautiful library and technology center, student computer labs, cafeteria and patio, performing art center, tennis courts, track, and gymnasium and fitness center. The sunny climate and ocean views make the campus a great place to study.

## **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	CDA	Application Dead FALL SPRING		dlines	Required ELS Level
MAJORS	GPA			SUMMER	
Architectural Technology and Drafting	2.0	ROLLING		1-May	109
Business Administration and Accounting	2.0	ROLLING		1-May	109
Economics	2.0	ROLLING		1-May	109
Liberal Arts: Creative and Applied Arts	2.0	ROLLING		1-May	109
Pre-Engineering, Computer Science	2.0	ROLLING		1-May	109

## PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

MiraCosta College maintains transfer articulation agreements with the University of California (UC) campuses and California State University (CSU) campuses, plus several independent/private colleges and universities such as the University of Southern California and the University of San Diego.

Top-ranked 2+2 Guaranteed University Pathways include:\*\*

- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of California, Riverside
- University of California, Santa Cruz
- University of California, Merced
- University of California, Davis

\*\*Transfer Admission Guarantees have restrictions on majors. For a current list of approved majors, visit admission. university of california edu/transfer/quarantee/.



For complete and up-to-date information, visit UniversitySearch.com/MiraCosta.



# Costa Mesa, California



**Location** Suburban

**Total Enrollment 20,000** 

**Academic Calendar** Semesters

**Public** 

**Average Temperatures** 

Low (winter): 50°F/10°C High (summer): 72°F/23°C

# ACCREDITATION(S)

WASC

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/La Verne

# **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$6,000*
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$10,400
I-20	\$19,964

<sup>\*</sup>The costs above are estimates per academic year and represent the tuition-only costs for international students and out-of-state residents. Tuition rates may vary by campus location. Additional fees may also apply.



Orange Coast College (OCC) is a mid-sized two-year community college enrolling 22,000 students each semester from more than 70 countries. OCC offers more than 130 academic programs leading to associate degrees, certificates and transfer pathways to top four-year universities and colleges. Orange Coast College has state-of-the-art facilities, top-notch academic instruction, and a tradition of transfer success. OCC is consistently ranked #1 in Orange County and among the top three overall in transfer students to the University of California (UC) and California State University systems combined. OCC students can gain preferred or guaranteed transfer admissions to UC and CSU, and OCC also offers TAP (Transfer Alliance Program), a strong Honor's Program that partners with a priority transfer admissions program at UCLA. International students have transferred to nearly 200 universities across the U.S. including Columbia, Cornell, MIT, NYU, UPenn and USC.

Orange Coast College is located in the city of Costa Mesa on the coastline of Orange County, California (situated between Los Angeles and San Diego counties), one of the safest and most desirable communities in Southern California. Orange County is also home to Disneyland Resort and California's most popular beaches.

#### **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	GPA	ΙqΑ	llines	Required	
	GPA	FALL	SPRING	SUMMER	ELS Level
Architecture	2.0	18-Jul	9-Dec	28-Apr	109
Business and Administration	2.0	18-Jul	9-Dec	28-Apr	109
Computer Science	2.0	18-Jul	9-Dec	28-Apr	109
Culinary Arts	2.0	18-Jul	9-Dec	28-Apr	109
Film/Video Production	2.0	18-Jul	9-Dec	28-Apr	109

### PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

Orange Coast College maintains articulation agreements with 100 universities, including every University of California (UC) campus and nearly every California State University (CSU) campus, plus several independent/private colleges and universities.

Top-ranked 2+2 Guaranteed University Pathways include:

- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Riverside
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of California, Santa Cruz
- University of California, Davis
- California State University, Long Beach
- California State University, Fullerton



 $For complete \ and \ up-to-date \ information, \ visit \ University Search. com/Orange Coast College.$ 



# Riverside, California



**Location** Urban

**Total Enrollment** 17,201

**Academic Calendar Semesters** 

**Public** 

**Average Temperatures** 

Low (winter): 43°F/6°C

High (summer): 93°F/34°C

# ACCREDITATION(S)

WASC

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/La Verne

### **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$6,000*
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$12,000 <sup>H2</sup>
I-20	\$21,600

 ${\it H2: Housing not available, but housing cost is estimated per {\it I-20}.}$ 

\*The costs above are estimates per academic year and represent the tuition-only costs for international students and out-of-state residents. Tuition rates may vary by campus location. Additional fees may also apply.



Riverside City College, founded in 1916, is a member of the three-college Riverside Community College District (RCCD) and part of the California Community College system. RCCD also maintains two additional colleges in nearby Norco and Moreno Valley. RCCD enrolls approximately 32,000 students. Riverside City College offers more than 2,000 classes each semester in more than 60 majors. The Center for International Students provides assistance in selecting courses that will be accepted for transfer to California State University and University of California campuses, as well as to private colleges and universities throughout the United States. In addition to courses that prepare for transfer, the college offers courses leading to the associate degree, which is awarded after two years (or 60 units) of study. Certificate programs in many occupational fields are also available.

Riverside is a traditional Southern California community located one hour's drive east of Los Angeles. Riverside is an ideal location from which to enjoy Southern California's attractions. Newport and Laguna Beach, the San Bernardino Mountains, the Palm Springs desert resort region and Disneyland are all within an hour's drive. More than 25 colleges and universities are located within 30 miles of Riverside. The weather is mild, with a Mediterranean climate.

#### **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	GPA	Ар	Required		
MAJORS	GPA	FALL	SPRING	SUMMER	ELS Level
Engineering	N/A	1-Jun	1-Dec	1-Apr	109
Culinary Arts	N/A	1-Jun	1-Dec	1-Apr	109
Nursing	N/A	1-Jun	1-Dec	1-Apr	109
Business Administration	N/A	1-Jun	1-Dec	1-Apr	109
UC/CSU Transfer	N/A	1-Jun	1-Dec	1-Apr	109

# PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

Riverside City College has articulation agreements with many universities, including University of California (UC) schools and California State University (CSU) schools, and several private colleges and universities.

Top-ranked 2+2 Guaranteed University Pathways include:\*\*

- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Santa Cruz
- University of California, Riverside
- California State University, San Bernardino
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- California State University, Long Beach
- University of California, Davis
- · California State University, Fullerton

\*\*Transfer Admission Guarantees have restrictions. For a current list of approved majors, visit: admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/transfer/guarantee.



For complete and up-to-date information, visit UniversitySearch.com/RCC.



# San Bruno, San Mateo and Redwood City, California



**Total Enrollment** 26,500 (combined)

Academic Calendar Semesters

**Public** 

## **Average Temperatures**

Low (winter): 44°F/7°C High (summer): 79°F/26°C

# ACCREDITATION(S)

ACCJC, WASC

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/San Francisco – Downtown; ELS/Silicon Valley

#### **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$6,000*
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$12,750 <sup>H2</sup>
I-20	\$23,000

H2: Housing not available, but housing cost is estimated per I-20.

\*The costs above are estimates per academic year and represent the tuition-only costs for international students and out-of-state residents. Tuition rates may vary by campus location. Additional fees may also apply.



San Mateo Colleges of Silicon Valley include three outstanding fully accredited two-year colleges: Cañada College, College of San Mateo and Skyline College. They are located in the heart of California's San Francisco area. The colleges are known for their STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) programs, and all three colleges have Transfer Admission Guarantees with perhaps the largest number of public and private universities throughout the U.S. There are exceptional OPT (optional practical training) opportunities at the surrounding high-tech, business, finance, entertainment and biotech firms. The colleges have strong commitments to supporting international students: each college maintains housing partnerships for international students with safe, accessible public transportation, and international students have priority registration for classes.

The San Mateo Colleges of Silicon Valley are all located in small and safe communities near highways that travel directly to San Francisco, San Jose, SFO International Airport and other very famous tourist destinations in between. There are excellent opportunities for shopping and dining, local libraries and parks, and many thriving local businesses perfect for work experience opportunities.

# **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	CDA	Application	Required	
MAJORS	GPA	FALL	SPRING	ELS Level
Accounting	2.0	1-Jul	15-Nov	109
Biology	2.0	1-Jul	15-Nov	109
Business Administration	2.0	1-Jul	15-Nov	109
Computer Information Science	2.0	1-Jul	15-Nov	109
Engineering	2.0	1-Jul	15-Nov	109

# PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

All three San Mateo Colleges have articulation agreements with many public and private universities.

Top-ranked 2+2 Guaranteed University Pathways include:

- · Arizona State University
- California State University (agreements with 23 campuses)
- Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI)
- Notre Dame de Namur University
- St. Mary's College of California
- St. Michael's College
- SUNY Plattsburgh
- Tennessee Tech University

- University of California (Davis, Irvine, Riverside, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz)
- University of Cincinnati
- University of La Verne
- University of Michigan–Flint
- University of Oregon
- University of Washington Tacoma
- University of Wisconsin–Stout



For complete and up-to-date information, visit UniversitySearch.com/CollegeofSanMateo, UniversitySearch.com/CanadaCollege or UniversitySearch.com/SkylineCollege.



# Santa Rosa, California



**Location** Suburban

**Total Enrollment 28,000** 

**Academic Calendar** Semesters

**Public** 

## **Average Temperatures**

Low (winter): 37°F/3°C High (summer): 83°F/28°C

# ACCREDITATION(S)

WASC, ACCJC

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/San Francisco – North Bay

### **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$6,000*
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$12,000
I-20	\$25,000

\*The costs above are estimates per academic year and represent the tuition-only costs for international students and out-of-state residents. Tuition rates may vary by campus location. Additional fees may also apply.



Founded in 1918, Santa Rosa Junior College (SRJC) is one of the oldest publicly funded community colleges in California. In addition to a safe, welcoming environment, SRJC offers over 100 majors, boasts state-of-the-art facilities, and is ranked #1 among large California community colleges for acceptance rates into the University of California system. The friendly and dedicated staff is happy to assist international students with priority registration, on-campus employment, nearby housing, university transfer, academic counseling and more. Many international students from SRJC have successfully transferred to top-ranked universities, including UC Berkeley, Cornell University and UCLA.

The Santa Rosa campus is located approximately 60 miles north of San Francisco in Northern California's scenic wine country. The campus, with its ivy-covered brick buildings, towering oak trees, flower gardens and manicured lawns, is one of the most beautiful campuses in the California Community College system. With the Pacific Ocean to the west, the Sierra Nevada Mountains to the east and several lakes and rivers nearby, sailing, hiking, waterskiing, snow skiing, surfing, rafting, kayaking and cycling are all easily accessible. San Francisco is easy to get to by public transportation, where students can go shopping, ride a cable car, visit museums, attend festivals, experience Fisherman's Wharf and so much more.

## **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	CDA	Applicatio	n Deadlines	Required	
MAJORS	GPA	FALL	SPRING	ELS Level	
Architecture	No minimum	5-Jul	20-Nov	109	
Agriculture Business Management, Agricultural Science, Sustainable Agriculture	No minimum	5-Jul	20-Nov	109	
Biology, Chemistry, Physics	No minimum	5-Jul	20-Nov	109	
Business Administration, Economics	No minimum	5-Jul	20-Nov	109	
Computer Science	No minimum	5-Jul	20-Nov	109	

## PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

Santa Rosa Junior College maintains articulation agreements with many four-year universities and colleges across the U.S., including all of the California State University (CSU) campuses and the University of California (UC) campuses.

Top-ranked 2+2 Guaranteed University Pathways include:

- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Merced
- University of California, Riverside
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of California, Santa Cruz



For complete and up-to-date information, visit UniversitySearch.com/SantaRosa.



# Seattle, Washington



**Location** Urban

**Total Enrollment 12,000** 

**Academic Calendar Quarters** 

**Public** 

**Average Temperatures** 

Low (winter): 36°F/2°C High (summer): 77°F/25°C

#### ACCREDITATION(S)

NWCCU

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/Seattle

### **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$9,249
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$6,300 <sup>M1</sup>
I-20	\$20,500

M1: Meals not available, but costs estimated per I-20.



With 2,000 international students and 10,000 students overall, Seattle Central College is known as a leader in higher education. It is the only community college in downtown Seattle, and has been in operation since 1966. Seattle Central offers dynamic programs in College Transfer (two-year associate degree), short-term certificates, high school completion, bachelor's degrees, and professional and technical degrees and certificates. Students hoping to earn a bachelor's degree in the U.S. can begin their studies at Seattle Central and enjoy small class sizes, welcoming and knowledgeable instructors, and affordable tuition.

Seattle Central is located in the beautiful Pacific Northwest, in the heart of the city. Seattle is a lively city that was voted "City for Best Culture" by *Business Insider*. With a young and active population and thriving city culture, Seattle residents enjoy dining out, theater, professional sports and music. Located on the Puget Sound and surrounded by water and mountains, hiking, swimming, boating, paddle boarding, whale watching, and trips to the islands are typical summer activities. Although it does not snow much in the city, skiing and winter fun in the mountains are just a short car or bus ride away.

#### **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	GPA	Application Deadlines				Required
MAJORS		FALL	SPRING	SUMMER	WINTER	ELS Level
Business	2.0	1-Aug	15-Nov	15-Feb	10-May	109
Communications	2.0	1-Aug	15-Nov	15-Feb	15-May	109
Computer Science	2.0	1-Aug	15-Nov	15-Feb	15-May	109
Engineering	2.0	1-Aug	15-Nov	15-Feb	15-May	109
Mathematics	2.0	1-Aug	15-Nov	15-Feb	15-May	109

## PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

The associate degree from Seattle Central College is your key to transferring to hundreds of well-known universities in the United States. To further assist students in achieving their academic goals, Seattle Central offers Transfer Admission Guarantee or Pathway letters, at the time of admission, from partner institutions.

Top-ranked 2+2 Guaranteed University Pathways include:

- Arizona State University
- California State University, Northridge
- California State University, San Marcos
- Eastern Washington University
- Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI)
- Montana State University
- San Francisco State University
- Seattle University
- State University of New York, Oneonta
- · University of Alaska Fairbanks,

- College of Engineering and Mines
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth
- University of Nevada Las Vegas
- University of Washington Bothell
- University of Washington Tacoma
- University of Washington Tacoma Milgard School of Business
- Washington State University
- Western Washington University



For complete and up-to-date information, visit UniversitySearch.com/SeattleCentral.





**Location** Urban

**Total Enrollment 8,500** 

**Academic Calendar** Ouarters

**Public** 

**Average Temperatures** 

Low (winter): 45°F/7°C

High (summer): 75°F/24°C

# ACCREDITATION(S)

NASC, WASC, NWCCU

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/Seattle

### **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$9,505
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$8,250
I-20	\$20,192



Founded in 1969, South Seattle College is a comprehensive community-based institution. South, one of the Seattle Colleges, is home to a student population of 15,000; students come from Seattle and more than 35 countries around the globe. South offers various professional and technical programs and is especially renowned for its innovative and quality job preparation programs in the aviation, healthcare and hospitality fields. Students who complete a two-year degree program may continue at South to complete one of the college's four-year Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree programs. The Associate of Arts or Science degree (commonly referred to as the 2+2 Transfer Degree program) helps students meet the requirements for transfer into a bachelor's degree program. International applicants can request a Transfer Admissions Guarantee (TAG) letter upon admission to South from a prestigious list of U.S. partner universities.

Located on an 87-acre hilltop in West Seattle, South Seattle College offers a panoramic view of the city skyline and surrounding, mountains. Only 10 minutes from downtown Seattle, the college is situated in a quiet, spacious residential setting ideal for learning.

# **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	GPA	Application Deadlines				Required
MAJORS	GPA	FALL	SPRING	SUMMER	WINTER	ELS Level
Aviation Maintenance	2.0	26-Aug	3-Mar	N/A	N/A	109
Business	2.0	26-Aug	3-Mar	27-May	3-Dec	109
Hospitality Management (Bachelor's)	2.5	3-Apr	N/A	N/A	N/A	109
Pre-Pharmacy	2.0	3-Apr	3-Mar	27-May	3-Dec	109
Wine Studies	2.0	3-Apr	3-Mar	27-May	3-Dec	109

# PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

South Seattle College applicants may opt to receive a Transfer Admission Guarantee (Pathway) letter from the partner university they have selected. The letters are helpful at the time of their student visa application to explain their academic goals and career pathways.

Top-ranked 2+2 Guaranteed University Pathways include:

- Arizona State University
- California State University, Northridge
- California State University, San Marcos
- Eastern Washington University
- Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI)
- Montana State University
- San Francisco State University
- Seattle University
- State University of New York, Oneonta
- · University of Alaska Fairbanks,

- College of Engineering and Mines
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth
- University of Nevada Las Vegas
- University of Washington Bothell
- University of Washington Tacoma
- University of Washington Tacoma Milgard School of Business
- Washington State University
- Western Washington University



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# Honolulu, Hawaii



**Location** Urban

**Total Enrollment** 7,812

**Academic Calendar Semesters** 

**Public** 

#### **Average Temperatures**

Low (winter): 81°F/27°C High (summer): 88°F/31°C

# ACCREDITATION(S)

WASC

#### **NEAREST ELS CENTER(S)**

ELS/Honolulu

### **TUITION AND HOUSING FEES**

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	Annual Prices
Tuition	\$8,160
Estimated cost of room and board per academic year	\$15,730 <sup>H1</sup>
I-20	\$23,890

H1: Housing cost includes meals, cannot be separated from meal cost, and is equal to living expenses per I-20.



The University of Hawai`i system consists of 10 campuses, and Kapi'olani Community College (KCC) is by far the largest community college in the University of Hawai`i system. KCC has around 8,000 students enrolled in 24 academic and career programs. Both transfer programs and career and technical programs provide a foundation for lifelong learning. Most international students who have earned their degrees at KCC participate in 12 months of practical training (OPT) with local businesses. International students who complete associate degrees in liberal arts majors can automatically transfer to University of Hawai`i without any further applications through a program called "Auto Admission."

The beautiful 20-hectare campus is situated on the slopes of Diamond Head Crater in Honolulu on the island of O'ahu. The campus is a few minutes from Waikiki and major shopping areas. The population of O'ahu is 1.4 million. O'ahu is famous for beaches, mountain hikes and shopping. The clear blue waters of Kailua Beach meet the metropolitan cityscapes of Honolulu. The big city of Waikiki meets the small town of Haleiwa on the North Shore. Students enjoy not only studying at Kapi'olani Community College, but being tourists during weekends and holidays.

#### **KEY PROGRAMS: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

MAJORS	GPA	App	Required			
MAJORS	GPA	FALL	SPRING	SUMMER	ELS Level	
Culinary Arts	2.0	13-Jul	4-Dec	29-Apr	109	
Hospitality & Tourism	2.0	13-Jul	4-Dec	29-Apr	109	
Liberal Arts (Transfer Program)	2.0	13-Jul	4-Dec	29-Apr	109	
SLT (Second Language Teaching)	2.0	13-Jul	4-Dec	29-Apr	109	
STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math)	2.0	13-Jul	4-Dec	29-Apr	109	

### PATHWAYS/ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS WITH UNIVERSITIES

Kapi'olani Community College maintains articulation agreements with the 10 campuses of the University of Hawai'i system and with select colleges and universities in the continental U.S.A.

Top-ranked 2+2 Guaranteed University Pathways include:

- · University of Hawai'i at Manoa
- University of Hawai'i at Hilo
- University of Hawai'i at West O`ahu
- Hawai'i Pacific University
- Pacific University Oregon
- University of Oregon
- · California State University San Bernardino
- California State University San Marcos
- University of California, Davis
- University of Nevada Las Vegas
- State University of New York Brockport



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# Partner Community Colleges at-a-Glance

					SELECT AREAS OF STUDY (see individual profiles for additional information)																
	ELS Level	GPA Minimum	Tuition*	Estimated Cost of Room & Board*	Accounting Finance	Architecture (STEM)	Arts-Visual and Performing	Arts-Production and Graphic Design	Business Administration and Management	Communications Media	Engineering (STEM includes related technologies)	Education (includes library science)	Healthcare	Hospitality	Human services (includes Communi- ty, Religious and Public Services)	Legal Services	Marketing & Sales (includes Fashion)	Mathematics and Statistics (STEM)	Sciences (STEM- includes Agricul- ture, Biology, Physical Sciences and Science Technologies)	Technology (STEM- includes computer science)	TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages)
Bates Technical College	109	2.0	\$9,900	\$8,700 <sup>H2</sup>						AC	AC	AC	AC		А		A		С	AC	
Bunker Hill Community College	109	2.0	\$10,520	\$9,675 <sup>H2, M1</sup>	AC		А	AC	А	А	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC		А	А	AC	
El Camino College	109	2.0	\$6,000**	\$9,000 <sup>H2,M1</sup>	AC	А	AC	AC	А	А	А	А	А		А		А	А	А	AC	
Foothill College and De Anza College	109	2.0	\$6,000**	\$12,000 <sup>H1</sup>	А		А	А	А	А	А	А	А		А	А	А	А	А	А	
Front Range Community College	109	2.0	\$10,000	\$10,000 <sup>H2</sup>	А	AC	А	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	А	AC	AC	С
Fulton-Montgomery Community College	109	2.0	\$7,800**	\$11000 <sup>H1</sup>	А		А		А	А	AC	AC	AC		AC				А	AC	
Green River College	109	2.0	\$9,900	\$8,400 <sup>H2</sup>	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC		AC	AC	AC	А	AC	AC	
Hillsborough Community College	109	2.0	\$9,111	\$10,170 <sup>H1</sup>	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А			А		А	А	
Los Angeles Film School	110***	2.0	\$18,000	\$18,000 <sup>H1</sup>				AB		AB										-	
MiraCosta College	109	2.0	\$6,000**	\$11,500 <sup>H1,M2</sup>	AC	AC	А	AC	А	А	AC		А	А	AC		AC	А	AC	AC	
Orange Coast College	109	2.0	\$6,000**	\$10,400	AC	А	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC	AC		AC		AC	AC	
Riverside City College	109	N/A	\$6,000**	\$12,000 <sup>H2</sup>	А	А		А	А		А		А	А	А	А	А		А	А	
San Mateo Colleges of Silicon Valley	109	2.0	\$6,000**	12,750 <sup>H2</sup>	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	
Santa Rosa Junior College	109	N/A	\$6,000**	\$12,000	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А	А		А	А	А	
Seattle Central College	109	2.0	\$9,249	\$6,300 <sup>M1</sup>	А	А	А	AC	А	А	AC	AC	ABC	А	ABC		А	А	AC	AC	AC
South Seattle College	109	2.0	\$9,505	\$8,250	А				А		А	А	А	AB	А				А	А	
University of Hawai'i - Kapi'olani Community College	109	2.0	\$8,160	\$15,730 <sup>H1</sup>	AC							А	А	AC	AC	А	AC		AC	AC	

 $<sup>{\</sup>bf *Prices \ are \ subject \ to \ change.} \ Additional \ fees \ may \ apply. \ For \ the \ most \ up-to-date \ information, \ please \ visit \ University Search.com.$ 

<sup>\*\*</sup>The costs above are estimates per academic year and represent the tuition-only costs for international students and out-of-state residents. Tuition rates may vary by campus location. Additional fees may also apply.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>For associate degree programs, the ELS requirement is Level 110. For bachelor's degree programs, the ELS requirement is Level 112.

H1: Housing cost includes meals, cannot be separated from meal cost, and is equal to living expenses per I-20. • H2: Housing not available, but housing cost is estimated per I-20.

<sup>•</sup> M1: Meals not available, but meal cost is estimated per I-20. • A: Associate • B: Bachelor • C: Certificate

# Professional Educator Testimonials



When institutions such as Foothill-De Anza Colleges and ELS join forces, student success is inevitable. Foothill College and De Anza College have gained worldwide recognition for their exceptional educational opportunities. The student earns a bachelor's degree with three major benefits from this uniquely American "2+2" system: (1) a painless admission process, generally eliminating the need for the SAT or ACT exams; (2) low cost for an excellent U.S. education; and (3) guaranteed admission and transfer agreements to 100+ prestigious universities around the U.S. For students who may need help with English before engaging in college-level study, a start at ELS helps with English language preparedness, acclimation and integration into the U.S. educational system. Through conditional admission to Foothill College or De Anza College, a student can start at ELS, and build an affordable pathway to a Bachelor's degree at a top U.S. university.

-VINITA BALI, JURIS DOCTOR
Dean, International Student Programs
Foothill-De Anza Community College District



Many international students have learned the value of attending a community college, at a much lower tuition rate and with smaller class sizes, and then transferring to a university through a 2+2 program (2 years of community college + 2 years of university = bachelor's degree). We have a conditional admission agreement with ELS that guarantees a student's acceptance to Santa Rosa Junior College upon completion of ELS Level 109, providing a smooth transfer from ELS to our college. The students who come to us through ELS are well prepared in English, have learned about American culture and have had the opportunity to meet and share experiences with students from many other countries as they begin their journey to becoming global citizens. Thank you, ELS, for the work you do in preparing students to come to Santa Rosa Junior College We value our partnership.

-PEG SARAGINA Director of International Programs Santa Rosa Junior College

# Student Testimonials





KONOKA (Japan)



Studying at ELS was so helpful to me in improving my academic English skills and preparing for success in college. The ELS staff helped me to choose from among the many colleges and universities in the area. When it became clear that I needed prerequisite courses to enter my choice of MBA program, they recommended and helped me apply to Santa Rosa Junior College, where students can enter after completing ELS 109 without a TOEFL® or IELTS™ score. The SRJC International Program office and my professors there helped me to be successful, and I am now enrolled and ready to start my MBA!

GRACE (China)



Before I came to community college, I felt really afraid that I would not be able to catch up with other classmates and wondered how hard real college was going to be. It turned out that I got the highest level on my English placement test and easily adapted to the programs. I found out that ELS provided me with completely foundational English skills for colleges and universities: reading, writing, and particularly speaking. In addition, the 112 certificate guarantees my English proficiency for a lot of schools and replaces the IELTS™ or TOEFL® test score for ELS partner institutions. I would like to say thank you to ELS for helping me not only with my English but also all other kinds of issues.

Community college can save far more money studying the same subjects. Eventually, we can all transfer, spend the next two years, and then get our degree.





CHAVANON (Thailand)

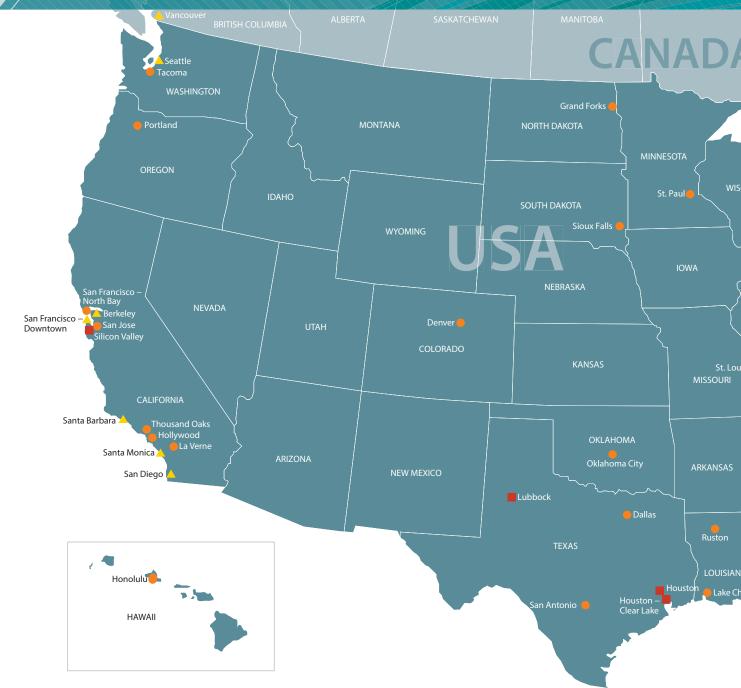


As far as academics are concerned, I was really impressed by the availability of professors, their passion and their dedication. One of the reasons why I was academically successful at Foothill College and was able to move on to MIT was that I was well taught and guided by my teachers. Also, the students here – from a wide variety of cultures and experiences – made my learning experience fun. I did not have much trouble blending into that cosmopolitan community, especially since the staff and teachers were helpful and welcoming, always providing guidance and support.

**DANIEL** (Ivory Coast)



# A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITY AWAITS YOU.



ELS LOCATION	HOST INSTITUTION LOCATION (IF APPLICABLE)
Atlanta, Georgia	City Center
<ul> <li>Atlantic City, New Jersey</li> </ul>	Stockton University
Berkeley, California	City Center
▲ Boston – Downtown, Massachusetts	City Center
<ul> <li>Bowling Green, Ohio</li> </ul>	Bowling Green State University
<ul> <li>Bristol, Rhode Island</li> </ul>	Roger Williams University
Charlotte, North Carolina	Center Affiliated with a College or University
<ul><li>Chicago, Illinois</li></ul>	Dominican University
<ul><li>Chicago – Romeoville, Illinois</li></ul>	Lewis University
<ul><li>Cincinnati, Ohio</li></ul>	University of Cincinnati
Clemson – Greenville, South Carolina	Center Affiliated with a College or University
<ul><li>Cleveland, Ohio</li></ul>	Case Western Reserve University
<ul><li>Columbus, Ohio</li></ul>	Ohio Dominican University
<ul><li>Dallas, Texas</li></ul>	The University of Texas at Dallas
<ul><li>DeKalb, Illinois</li></ul>	Northern Illinois University
<ul><li>Denver, Colorado</li></ul>	Front Range Community College
Fort Wayne, Indiana	Indiana University–Purdue University Fort Wayne
<ul><li>Fredericksburg, Virginia</li></ul>	University of Mary Washington
<ul><li>Grand Forks, North Dakota</li></ul>	University of North Dakota
<ul><li>Grand Rapids, Michigan</li></ul>	Grand Valley State University
Hempstead, New York NEW!	Hofstra University

#### **ELS LOCATION** HOST INSTITUTION LOCATION (IF APPLICABLE) Hollywood, California The Los Angeles Film School Honolulu, Hawaii Hawai'i Pacific University Center Affiliated with a College or University Houston, Texas Houston - Clear Lake, Texas University of Houston – Clear Lake Indianapolis, Indiana Center Affiliated with a College or University Johnson City, Tennessee East Tennessee State University University of Wisconsin – Parkside Kenosha, Wisconsin Lake Charles, Louisiana NEW! McNeese State University La Verne, California University of La Verne Lubbock, Texas Center Affiliated with a College or University Melbourne, Florida Florida Institute of Technology Miami, Florida Barry University Milwaukee, Wisconsin Marquette University Myrtle Beach, South Carolina Coastal Carolina University Nashville, Tennessee Middle Tennessee State University New Haven, Connecticut University of New Haven New York (Manhattan), New York City Center New York (Riverdale), New York College of Mount Saint Vincent Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Oklahoma City University Orlando, Florida Center Affiliated with a College or University Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Saint Joseph's University Philadelphia – Camden, Rutgers University–Camden **New Jersey**













ELS LOCATION	HOST INSTITUTION LOCATION (IF APPLICABLE)
<ul> <li>Philadelphia – West Chester,</li> <li>Pennsylvania NEW!</li> </ul>	West Chester University
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	Point Park University
<ul><li>Portland, Oregon</li></ul>	Concordia University
Richmond, Kentucky	Eastern Kentucky University
<ul><li>Rochester, New York</li></ul>	State University of New York – Brockport
<ul><li>Ruston, Louisiana</li></ul>	Louisiana Tech University
<ul><li>St. Louis, Missouri</li></ul>	University of Missouri – St. Louis
<ul><li>St. Paul, Minnesota</li></ul>	University of St. Thomas – Minnesota
<ul><li>St. Petersburg, Florida</li></ul>	Eckerd College
<ul><li>San Antonio, Texas</li></ul>	University of the Incarnate Word
San Diego, California	City Center
▲ San Francisco – Downtown, California	City Center
<ul> <li>San Francisco – North Bay, California</li> </ul>	Dominican University of California
<ul><li>San Jose, California NEW!</li></ul>	International Technological University
Santa Barbara, California	City Center
▲ Santa Monica, California	City Center
Seattle, Washington	City Center
Silicon Valley, California	Center Affiliated with a College or University
Sioux Falls, South Dakota NEW!	Augustana University

ELS LOCATION	HOST INSTITUTION LOCATION (IF APPLICABLE)
<ul><li>Tacoma, Washington</li></ul>	Bates Technical College
<ul><li>Tampa, Florida</li></ul>	The University of Tampa
<ul><li>Teaneck, New Jersey</li></ul>	Fairleigh Dickinson University
<ul> <li>Thousand Oaks, California</li> </ul>	California Lutheran University
▲ Washington, D.C.	City Center

ELS INTERNATIONAL LOCATION	HOST INSTITUTION LOCATION (IF APPLICABLE)
AUSTRALIA	
Sydney, New South Wales	City Center
CANADA	
▲ Toronto, Ontario	City Center
Vancouver, British Columbia	City Center
CHINA	
▲ Shanghai	City Center
INDIA	
<ul><li>Chennai</li></ul>	SRM University
<ul> <li>Bangalore</li> </ul>	Counseling & Admission Service Center
<ul> <li>Coimbatore</li> </ul>	Counseling & Admission Service Center
<ul><li>Hyderabad</li></ul>	Counseling & Admission Service Center
MALAYSIA	
<ul><li>Kuala Lumpur</li></ul>	Universiti Putra Malaysia

# / ELS Partner Public Community Colleges

More than 175 community colleges accept completion of a level of the ELS English for Academic Purposes program as proof of English proficiency. Visit UniversitySearch.com or contact your local ELS authorized Counselor to choose the best college for you.

#### **ARIZONA**

GateWay Community College

#### **CALIFORNIA**

Berkeley City College **Butte College** Cabrillo College Cañada College

**Chabot College** 

Chaffey College

Citrus College

College of Alameda

College of Marin College of San Mateo

College of the Canyons College of the Desert

College of the Siskiyous

Contra Costa College

Cypress College

De Anza College

Diablo Valley College

East Los Angeles College

El Camino College

Foothill College

Glendale Community College

Golden West College

**Grossmont College** 

Hartnell College

Lake Tahoe Community College

Laney College

Las Positas College

Long Beach City College

Los Angeles Pierce College

Los Angeles Trade – Tech College Los Angeles Valley College

Merritt College

MiraCosta College

Modesto Junior College

Monterey Peninsula College

Moorpark College

Ohlone College

Orange Coast College

Palomar College

Pasadena City College

Rio Hondo College Riverside City College

San Bernardino Valley College

San Joaquin Delta College

San Jose City College

Santa Ana College

Santa Monica College

Santa Rosa Junior College Santiago Canyon College

Skyline College

West Valley College

Yuba College

Marysville

#### COLORADO

Colorado Mountain College Community College of Aurora Community College of Denver Front Range Community College Otero Junior College Trinidad State Junior College

Delaware College of Art and Design

#### **FLORIDA**

**Broward College** College of Central Florida Hillsborough Community College

Chattahoochee Technical College

#### **HAWAII**

University of Hawai'i -Kapi'olani Community College

#### **ILLINOIS**

Illinois Central College Kishwaukee College Rock Valley College Triton College

#### **INDIANA**

Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana

- Columbus
- Lafayette
- Richmond

Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana, East Central

- Anderson
- Marion
- Muncie

Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana, Northwest

- Gary
- Valparaiso

Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana, Southeast (Madison)

Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana, Southwest (Evansville)

Indian Hills Community College

#### **KANSAS**

Allen County Community College Barton County Community College **Butler Community College** Coffeyville Community College Colby Community College Cowley College Garden City Community College Hesston College Labette Community College Neosho County Community College **Pratt Community College** 

#### **MASSACHUSETTS**

Bunker Hill Community College Quincy College

#### **MICHIGAN**

Grand Rapids Community College Jackson College Mid Michigan Community College Muskegon Community College St. Clair County Community College

#### **MINNESOTA**

Minneapolis Community and Technical College Minnesota West Community and Technical College North Hennepin Community College Northland Community and Technical College Ridgewater College – Hutchinson Ridgewater College - Willmar Riverland Community College **Rochester Community** and Technical College

#### **MISSOURI**

Crowder College Jefferson College

#### **MONTANA**

Flathead Valley Community College

#### **NEW YORK**

**Fulton-Montgomery Community** College (Johnstown) Herkimer County Community College

Lorain County Community College Sinclair Community College Virginia Marti College of Art and Design

# **OKLAHOMA**

Carl Albert State College Oklahoma State University

Oklahoma City

#### **OREGON**

Rogue Community College

- Riverside Campus, Medford Southwestern Oregon Community

Treasure Valley Community College Umpqua Community College

# **PENNSYLVANIA**

Harrisburg Area Community College Laurel Business Institute Manor College Pennsylvania Institute of Technology Pittsburgh Technical Institute Valley Forge Military Academy & College

#### **SOUTH CAROLINA**

Greenville Technical College Tri-County Technical College

#### **TENNESSEE**

Pellissippi State Community College

Alvin Community College Frank Phillips College Kilgore College Paris Junior College St. Philip's College Culinary Institute LeNotre The Culinary Institute of America San Antonio

#### WASHINGTON

**Bates Technical College** Big Bend Community College Centralia College Clover Park Technical College **Edmonds Community College** Olympic College Peninsula College Pierce College Shoreline Community College

Skagit Valley College South Puget Sound Community College

Spokane Community College Spokane Falls Community College Tacoma Community College Whatcom Community College Yakima Valley Community College

# **WISCONSIN**

Madison Area Technical College Northeast Wisconsin Technical College

University of Wisconsin Colleges

- Baraboo/Sauk County
- Barron County
- Fond du Lac
- Fox Valley - Manitowoc
- Marathon County
- Marinette - Marshfield/Wood County
- Richland
- Rock County - Sheboygan
- Washington County
- Waukesha

# **WYOMING**

Central Wyoming College Laramie County Community College

- Albany County Campus
- Cheyenne Campus

Northwest College Wyoming Western Wyoming Community College

\*Some community colleges may require a different ELS level. This list is subject to change. Please check with your ELS authorized Counselor for the most current information.





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