

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

2021



UCI

University of
California, Irvine

WELCOME TO **IRVINE**



WORLD-CLASS UNIVERSITY, INCOMPARABLE LOCATION

Founded in 1965, UCI is renowned for its strength as a major research university. We are located in a dynamic U.S. business environment and in one of the most beautiful and vibrant regions in Southern California—Orange County, famously known as “The O.C.”

UCI FACTS & RANKINGS

8th

AMONG U.S. PUBLIC
UNIVERSITIES AND 35TH
AMONG ALL UNIVERSITIES
U.S. News & World Report (2021)

1/3

OF ALL FORTUNE
500 COMPANIES
HAVE OFFICES
IN IRVINE



UCI'S MASCOT IS
PETER THE ANTEATER

IRVINE, CALIFORNIA

1/3

of the city is preserved as
PARKS, OPEN SPACE
AND TRAILS

303,956

POPULATION
(2020)

292

SUNNY DAYS
per year

#1

Irvine has
been ranked
the safest big city
in the United States
by the FBI for 15
years in a row

San Francisco
668 km

Silicon Valley
637 km

Las Vegas
455 km

Hollywood
73 km

Los Angeles
73 km

Beaches
8 km

Disneyland
26 km

UC IRVINE

San Diego
97 km

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE SUNNY
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

UCI DIVISION OF CONTINUING EDUCATION

FIND YOUR FUTURE

OUR MISSION

To offer life-enriching academic, professional, and cultural experiences to international audiences in environments specifically tailored to their needs. These experiences include:

- » superior English language and professional content instruction
- » comprehensive preparation for successful undergraduate and graduate studies
- » valuable academics for theoretical and real-world use in the form of certificates and other intellectual opportunities
- » a wide variety of support services and organized cultural activities, to foster international students' adjustment to and competence in participating in American life.



EXPERIENCE

→ ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Courses to both expand your knowledge and help you succeed in your academic and professional goals

→ CAREER ADVANCEMENT

Immediately applicable global business skills that support your goals

→ INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION

Access to academic advisors, counselors, and valuable networking

→ IMMERSION IN THE U.S.

Professional and cultural activities, plus a chance to make friends



"I'm a former engineer from Brazil and I figured out that I had to update my skills. This program gave me the opportunity to be in touch with new technologies and most importantly, to be in contact with different cultures. As a project manager, we need to work with versatile teams and try to engage people all around the world. That's why this is the best program."

EDUARDO MOTTA, Brazil
ACP International Finance
ACP Project Management Internship at MSC Software Corp.



STATE-OF-THE-ART **FACILITIES**

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PROGRAMS

Our English Language Programs give you the skills to succeed in the global community.

For more information, visit ip.ce.uci.edu/esl

Program Options:

► Intensive ESL

for university-level study

A CEA-accredited program that sharpens your academic English and university success skills.

► Business English

for professional development

Improve your business communications to advance your career or educational goals. Includes case studies, company visits, and guest speakers.

► Conversation & Culture

for personal goals and specific academic interests

Fun and interactive, a chance to learn and practice everyday conversation.

May include such topics as American Culture, English for STEM and Academic Preparation.

20

INSTRUCTORS' AVERAGE YEARS OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE

18

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

20

COUNTRIES REPRESENTED AMONG YOUR CLASSMATES IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE CLASSES



FULLY ONLINE ESL

Boost your English language abilities through our remote ESL programs that will conveniently take place completely online, allowing you to study from anywhere in the world.





TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAMS

Whether a new or practicing instructor, UCI DCE will sharpen your skills via the latest methodology for teaching English as a foreign language (TEFL) or teaching academic content effectively in English (EMI).

Some of our previous trainees from the past 30 years have included the Ministries of Education in Chile, China, France, Japan, South Korea and more.

Program Options:

- ➔ Accelerated Certificate Program in TEFL plus optional enrollment in an Internship Experience
- ➔ English-Mediated Instruction (EMI) Program can take place at UCI or on-site at your institution
- ➔ Customized teacher training, including specialized methodology for primary, secondary and higher education



"I would recommend this program to everyone because here they can improve their English skills, and they can develop themselves and their career advancement. The classes were so interactive and so interesting. Here at UCI they really care about every detail. There was always someone to help us. I'm so glad that I had the chance to come to UCI and study here. It's a one-of-a-kind experience that I will never forget."

JOSEPHINE ISKANDER,
Lebanon
Intensive ESL

ACCELERATED CERTIFICATE

PROGRAMS (ACPs)

Gain the expertise, networking opportunities, and skill set to advance your career! Our ACPs enhance the value of your degree and update your knowledge base in your chosen field.

Professional certificates enable you to:

- » Enhance the value of your degree and hone your specialization in just three months
- » Develop a professional network of American and international colleagues
- » Gain experience in a targeted internship experience
- » Refine your English communication skills
- » Earn the opportunity to gain work authorization for one year through Optional Practical Training (OPT)"

For more information, visit
ip.ce.uci.edu/acp

Areas of certificates include
Business, Data Science, Digital Marketing, Esports, International Tourism, Teaching English as a Foreign Language and more

97%

ACP TO OPT APPROVAL RATE



"This was my first experience studying remotely, but UCI managed it very well. It was easy to ask questions, and when class was over, we could reach out to our instructors. I made new connections from all over the world, and I particularly enjoyed that I could go at my own pace. The overall experience was very rewarding!"

EMMA SCARFE, France
ISEG Bordeaux
ACP Digital Marketing & Communications
Remote ACP Learning

INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Apply what you learned in your ACP during this two-part internship experience. Gain valuable job search and preparation skills during the internship workshop, and then take part in a 10-week unpaid internship for academic credit. We partner with local companies to help you build your professional network and increase your understanding of American business culture.

With an internship, you will:

- » Experience and immerse yourself in an American business culture
- » Strengthen your résumé and participate in the internship search
- » Explore new career options
- » Gain valuable experience, contacts and friends
- » Bring back innovative ideas to implement in your home country
- » Receive invaluable support from our dedicated internship staff

Internship experiences are available following all ACPs.

TEFL internships are offered within UCI's own Intensive ESL program.

For more information, visit
ip.ce.uci.edu/internships



PROFESSIONAL IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES (PIEs)

Expand your knowledge and gain practical experience in just a few days or weeks! These short-term programs take place on our campus in the middle of the vibrant Orange County community and do not require a student visa.

For more information, visit
ip.ce.uci.edu/pie

Optional Practical Training

Take advantage of OPT and apply for temporary work authorization to gain employment directly related to your most recently-completed ACP.

A few of our internship partners:



MSC SOFTWARE, PART OF HEXAGON
Develops simulation software technology



RIA FINANCIAL
Specializes in money remittances



HAVAIANAS
Multinational Brazilian brand of shoes & accessories

Pathway to Internship:

ACP (+ INTERNSHIP WORKSHOP) »»» INTERNSHIP

Pathway to Optional Practical Training (OPT):

1: ACP »»» ACP (+ INTERNSHIP WORKSHOP) »»» INTERNSHIP
2: ACP (+ INTERNSHIP WORKSHOP) »»» INTERNSHIP »»» ACP

*Students who take an internship between ACPs will also need to take an additional 6 academic units during their internship

EXPERIENCE UCI

PROGRAMS

ACADEMIC STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM (ASAP)

Take UCI undergraduate credit-bearing courses and enjoy an incomparable university experience through our Academic Study Abroad Program. Choose courses from a wide variety of majors and continuing education disciplines.

Sample subject areas available to ASAP students:

Anthropology
Art
Classics
Comparative Literature
Criminology, Law, and Society
Dance
Education
European Studies
Film & Media Studies
Global Cultures
History
International Studies
Linguistics
Music
Social Science
Sociology
Writing

+ a variety of courses through DCE including Business, Marketing, Engineering, and more!

Available for 1, 2, or 3 quarters. Graduate classes are also available with approval.
For more information, visit ip.ce.uci.edu/asap



"Right now I'm a student at Waseda University and my major is mechanical engineering. I wanted to take classes in subjects that I couldn't learn in Japan; I learned about international studies and sociology, which are totally different from my major. Students here have encouragement to study more, and I tried to do my best."

SHUNSUKE NAGATA, Japan
Waseda University
Academic Study Abroad Program



EXPERIENCE UNIVERSITY RESEARCH (EUR)

Gain the international experience at UCI to put on your college applications or resume.

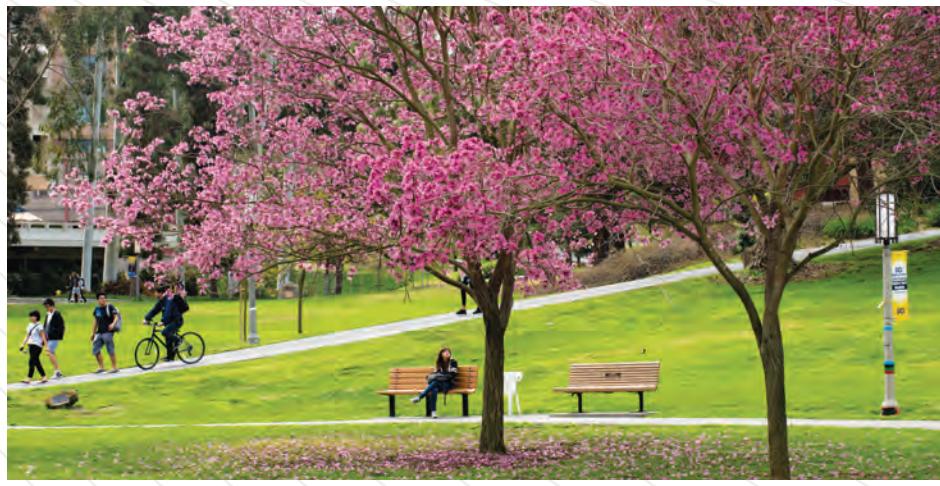
Our Experience University Research program gives you the opportunity to live on-campus, take non-credit courses with UCI professors and engage in different research methodologies and projects all while exploring Southern California through activities and events.

Sample electives include: Biology, Business, Computer Science, Engineering, Environmental Policy, Esports, and Law.

Tracks available for high school and university students.

Informative webinar series on Higher Education for international students also available throughout the year.

For more information, visit ip.ce.uci.edu/eur



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CUSTOM DESIGNED PROGRAMS FOR GROUPS

We are experts in designing custom, full-service programs that meet and exceed your group's unique requirements and expectations. Our experienced staff begins by assessing your needs, then designing and implementing your program to the finest detail.

- » Learn from renowned instructors and practitioners
- » Visit industry-leading companies and research facilities
- » Immerse yourself in the unique culture of Southern California

LET'S GET STARTED.

Visit ip.ce.uci.edu/custom

SUCCESS THROUGH ACADEMICS AND RESEARCH

PROGRAMS

Showcase your strengths and realize your dreams of pursuing a bachelor's, master's or doctorate degree in the United States starting at UCI.

UNDERGRADUATE SUCCESS THROUGH ACADEMICS AND RESEARCH (STAR)

Program benefits include:

- » Transferable units through Concurrent Enrollment and intensive college preparation classes
- » Strategic guidance and assistance with university applications and standardized test preparations
- » Comprehensive academic support with an emphasis on student success
- » Exclusive workshops and courses to increase familiarity with U.S. university expectations and academic research
- » Access to UCLA Transfer Alliance Program (TAP), the UCI Honors-to-Honors Program, and other transfer partnerships with participating HTCC colleges and universities across the U.S. upon successful program completion*

For more information, visit
ip.ce.uci.edu/star/undergraduate

*Participation in the honors program provided by community college is required.



“My college counselor in high school recommended this program to me as the most effective way to prepare for my future college study, a great transition between high school and college. I’m so thankful to all the instructors who guided me and helped me open up to a new culture and environment. I see college education as not only the pathway to a great career, but a unique opportunity to experience a different vision of life.”

YIXUAN WANG, China
Accepted to 11 universities!





GRADUATE SUCCESS THROUGH ACADEMICS AND RESEARCH (STAR)

Gain the advanced academic, professional, and research skills needed to become a competitive applicant and to succeed in your ideal master's or Ph.D. program.

Program benefits include:

- » **Opportunities** to enroll in UCI credit bearing courses that may satisfy the pre-requisites of and be transferable to your desired graduate program
- » **Expert guidance** on U.S. graduate school selection and assistance with the application process and standardized test preparation
- » **Exclusive** networking opportunities with selective graduate programs for pre-admission consultation
- » Enhanced CV with completion of our **Accelerated Certificate Programs/** UCI credit courses, plus expert guidance on building a successful graduate school resume and **career-related advising** on internships and Optional Practical Training (OPT)
- » **Academic research skills training,** research opportunities with UCI professors, and intensive Academic English support

*For more information, visit
ip.ce.uci.edu/star/graduate*

GRADUATES OF THIS PROGRAM
have been admitted to top graduate programs at Columbia, Cornell, Harvard, MIT, USC, UCI and more.



STUDENT SERVICES

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The University and DCE provide you with resources and services that will help you succeed while at UCI and beyond.

We offer information and assistance with:

- » Airport pick-up from Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) or John Wayne Airport (SNA)
- » Health insurance and access to the UCI Student Health Center for medical care
- » Help with getting to shopping centers, local attractions, medical offices, etc.
- » Immigration advising
- » Individualized academic advising



HOUSING

Whether you want to experience American university or family life, you have a variety of housing options that will help make your experience in Southern California comfortable, convenient, and unforgettable.

Visit ip.ce.uci.edu/housing for a list of companies that can tell you more about housing in the Irvine area, including pricing and housing application procedures.

→ UNIVERSITY APARTMENTS

Safe, comfortable, convenient and furnished apartments only 4km (2.5 miles) from UCI

→ HOMESTAY

Private or shared room in a local family's home

→ ANTEATER HOUSING NETWORK

A UCI-run housing and roommate finder for student options off-campus

→ UCI CAMPUS DORMS

Experience life living right on the UCI campus in a shared dorm room.
SUMMER QUARTER ONLY

IMMERSE YOURSELF IN AMERICAN LIFE

Our Student Life & Activities Team ensures that your time at UCI is exciting and worthwhile—and loads of fun.

Student Life

- » Over 600 student clubs and organizations for almost any interest or hobby
- » Weekly conversation group for language and cultural exchange with UCI students
- » Exclusive opportunities for skills development in our Professional Workshop Series
- » UCI peer liaisons to assist with cultural transitions
- » Anteater sports team events
- » Recreation Center membership for a nominal fee
- » UCI campus-wide student events



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NATIONAL TITLES IN 9 SPORTS:
UCI ATHLETIC TEAMS

64

ANTEATERS HAVE WON
INDIVIDUAL NATIONAL TITLES

56

ANTEATERS HAVE COMPETED
IN THE OLYMPICS



Activities

- » On-campus soccer and other seasonal sports
- » Take advantage of UCI offerings such as college/major specific workshops, guest speakers, and professors' talks
- » Experience UCI cultural festivals, music, dance, and theater performances, and intercollegiate athletic games
- » Tours to famous destinations, including Disneyland, Universal Studios, Hollywood, San Francisco, and Las Vegas
- » Trips to the best beaches in the region
- » Art immersion at Southern California's finest museums
- » Pro sports games, such as the Lakers, Clippers, Angels, and Rams
- » Picnics, potlucks, beach bonfires, summer pool party, Halloween Festival, and more

Follow our latest activities at:
about.me/activities

GET STARTED ON YOUR **NEW FUTURE**

APPLY NOW!

For ESL, ACP, USTAR and ASAP

- 1 Complete application form:
<https://ce.uci.edu/international/application>
- 2 Submit supporting documents:
 - » Copy of passport page with name and photograph
 - » Financial or bank statement
 - » Depending on program, English exam scores and/or academic transcripts
- 3 Pay non-refundable \$200 application fee

For GSTAR and EUR

- 1 Visit ip.ce.uci.edu/apply and download the application for your program of choice
- 2 Follow the instructions listed to apply
 - » Different supporting document may be needed depending on your program
- 3 Pay any application fees or deposits needed

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