



GOLDEN WEST COLLEGE

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM

BE INSPIRED. BE EMPOWERED. BE TRANSFORMED.



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WELCOME TO *Huntington Beach!*



Better known as Surf City, Huntington Beach is home to:

- Miles of beautiful beaches
- Sunny and warm Southern California climate
- Safe and welcoming neighborhood
- Excellent dining, shopping and entertainment options
- Local attractions including: Disneyland, the Orange County Performing Arts Center, and the Long Beach Aquarium of the Pacific
- 35 miles (56 km) to Hollywood and Los Angeles, and 95 miles (150 km) to San Diego
- Culturally diverse and vibrant community

STUDENT LIFE

Sports:

GWC's athletic tradition of excellence has made its mark with state championships in men's water polo, swimming, and soccer. Since 1966, GWC has captured more state championships than any other California Community College!

Intercultural Programs:

Engage with different cultures & identities through the many intercultural activities held at GWC throughout the year. Popular events include the annual Holi Festival, Día de los Muertos, and International Education Week to name a few!

Clubs & Activities:

The Office of Student Life & Leadership invites students to join over 30 campus clubs or become a leader in student government. Many international students belong to the International Club - an excellent place to plan events and make friends.





*Get involved, connect
with friends, and enjoy
campus life!*

Arts & Theater:

Our Theater and Dance departments play an active role in the community by presenting workshops, master classes, and world-class performances!

GWC Student ID Card:

- Free food at college events
- Free admission to home athletic games
- Free public transportation
- Discounts to local attractions and theme parks
- Access to the GWC library
- Access to the Student Health Center

STUDENT SERVICES

GWC offers a wide range of support services including a full service international student center, assessment testing, academic and career counseling, scholarship office, learning resource center, and free tutoring!

Specialized Academic Counseling for International Students:

Our dedicated academic counselor helps students clarify academic goals, explore career options, select courses, and create educational plans.

International Student Support: Admissions & Immigration-

Knowledgeable staff assist students throughout the application and F-1 visa process.

Orientation- Students receive guidance on maintaining visa status, navigating the U.S. higher education system, and making the most of their time in Southern California.

Course Registration & Health Insurance- Our trained staff is available to assist.

Learning Resource Center:

The LRC and library are open to all students who wish to improve their writing and reading skills, including FREE tutoring!



PROGRAMS OF STUDY



WHATEVER YOUR GOALS,
we'll help you get there!

University Transfer Preparation

Students can transfer 60-72 units of college coursework, enter a top university as a third-year student, and finish the last two years to earn a bachelor's degree.

Associate in Arts or Science Degree (AA/AS)

Earn a two-year associate's degree in order to:

- Prepare for transfer to a four-year college or university, or
- Prepare for immediate employment

Requirements for the associate's degree include a minimum of 60 units of coursework in general education and specific courses in the major field of study.

Certificates

Certificates range from 12-44 units of coursework in a particular academic or occupational field.



TRANSFER PATHWAYS

The 2+2 pathway option allows students to start their education at a community college and finish at a four-year college or university. By transferring the first 2 years of community college credits, students can graduate with a bachelor's degree at a much lower cost.



START HERE

GOLDEN WEST COLLEGE

As a community college, GWC awards associate's degrees and prepares students to transfer to four-year universities. By starting here you can save up to \$91,000 in tuition for your bachelor's degree.

GWC Average Tuition for 2 years: \$19,000

2

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CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY



23 campuses

Average Tuition for 2 years: \$33,000

SAVE: \$14,000

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA



9 campuses

Average Tuition for 2 years: \$90,000

SAVE: \$71,000

PRIVATE & OUT OF STATE SCHOOLS



Oregon State University

LMU|LA



USC

Tuition costs vary

2-Year Tuition up to: \$129,000

SAVE UP TO: \$91,000

UC Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)

Select UC campuses offer guaranteed admission from all California Community Colleges (CCC). By participating in a TAG program, eligible students can ensure admission to a specific UC campus!

GWC international students are eligible for Conditional Admission Letters from universities including UC Santa Cruz, UC Riverside, and CSULB.



APPLICATION DEADLINES

	Out-of-Country	In-Country Transfers
Fall Semester	July 15	August 8
Spring Semester	December 15	January 15
Summer Session	April 25	June 1

Admission Requirements

- Students must have earned the equivalent of a high school diploma or be at least 18 years old by the start of their first term.
- Proof of English proficiency: TOEFL iBT 61, IELTS 5.5, or equivalent
- Proof of Funds
- No SAT, ACT, AP courses or minimum GPA required!
- Applications are accepted year-round with quick admission decisions!

What Students Say ABOUT GWC

"They really care about seeing you succeed!"



**Jassmin Devari,
Germany**



Linh & Oanh Huynh, Vietnam

"The biggest surprise about U.S. life and education was that students have the opportunity to join in some amazing events where we could learn, play, and make new friends. Also, in the U.S. students can choose their own classes, and schedule actively. So we could manage our own time and study more effectively."

Chi Phan, Vietnam

"Being a part of many clubs and actives around campus gives us tons of opportunities to explore ourselves. Start on that opportunity now by being an International Student Club Member. Don't wait, go for it!"



Shahood Mohammad, Pakistan

"Two and a half years of my life that I can never forget. Why? Well because not once did I ever feel I was away from home. It's all because of the environment provided by GWC and especially ISP. GWC proved to be my home away from home, and ISP proved to be my family away from home. I'm always going to be thankful for the hospitality provided by GWC staff especially ISP staff. Go G-DUB!"



LIST OF PROGRAMS

Business

- Accounting
- Business Administration
- Economics
- Liberal Arts
- Management
- Marketing

Career Education

- Automotive Technology
- Cosmetology
- Digital Arts

Education

- Child Adolescent and Development
- Education (Elementary / K-8)

Health Sciences

- Kinesiology
- Liberal Arts
- Public Health Science

Language and Communications

- American Sign Language Interpreting
- Communication Studies
- English
- Liberal Arts
- Spanish
- Vietnamese

Social and Behavioral Sciences

- Anthropology

- Child Development
- Criminal Justice
- Economics
- Geography
- Global Studies
- History
- Liberal Arts
- Peace Studies
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Social Justice Studies
- Social Work and Human Services
- Sociology

STEM

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Geology
- Liberal Arts
- Mathematics
- Physics

Visual and Performing Arts

- Art
- Dance
- Digital Arts
- Liberal Arts
- Music
- Theater Arts

For a complete list of programs, visit:
www.goldenwestcollege.edu/academics/



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