

GUIDE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Welcome – We're Glad You're Here

After a long year of mostly virtual instruction, we are thrilled to finally be welcoming you to San Luis Obispo. We hope you will make the most of your time here and we want you to know the International Center is here to support you. All of our advising is handled by appointment so if you have a question, want to schedule a meeting, or just want to check in, be sure to email us at intlservices@calpoly.edu. We look forward to meeting you!

Get Involved with the International Center

The International Center hosts a variety of programs to help you get connected with other students from around the world. Our weekly Coffee & Tea Hour is hosted in Building 52 every Tuesday from 11am-12pm. Drop by for free coffee, snacks, and games! We also run the Poly Host program which can connect you with internationally-minded staff and faculty members who are eager to introduce you to the San Luis Obispo area. After your first quarter at Cal Poly, if you want to help welcome future international students, consider signing up for the International Welcome Ambassador program.



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Friendly Reminders

As an F-1 international student, here are a few things to keep in mind in order to maintain your visa status in the U.S.:

- Enroll full-time for fall, winter, and spring quarters
 - o Undergrad students: 12 units minimum
 - o Graduate students: 8 units minimum
- Off-campus employment is restricted and requires authorization from the International Center. On-campus employment does not require prior authorization.
- Report any changes of address to your Cal Poly Portal within 10 days of the change.
- Keep your passport and I-20 valid. If you need to take courses beyond the Program End Date listed on your I-20, let us know in advance so we can extend your End Date.
- Report to the International Center if you will not continue to enroll at Cal Poly, plan to withdraw from classes during a term, or plan to transfer to another school.

We Are Here to Help

If you have questions, want to schedule an appointment, or just want to chat, please don't hesitate to contact us at intlservices@calpoly.edu. Welcome to Cal Poly! In addition, be sure to follow us on Instagram @calpolyslointl to stay up-to-date on all our events and programs.



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