Semester Abroad
IN CALIFORNIA’S FINEST CITY

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SDSU Research Foundation Program
This city is rated as one of the most desirable U.S. cities based on weather, recreation, and cultural opportunities. San Diego’s natural beauty and friendly people attract visitors from around the world.

- Beautiful city
- Friendly people
- Great beaches
- High safety ranking
- Hub of international trade
- Amazing weather
- Thriving businesses
- Excellent learning environment

**San Diego’s Average Temperature is 21 °C**

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QUALITY
- Faculty – Classes are taught by highly respected SDSU faculty.
- Nationally Recognized – Renowned for academic excellence, SDSU is home to top-ranking programs in the U.S.
- High Quality – The Semester at SDSU program is part of the highly ranked California State University system and San Diego State University.

LOCATION
- California – From Hollywood to the beach, the California lifestyle has it all.
- San Diego – Live in sunny San Diego where the weather is great year-round.
- San Diego State University – Study at a top quality U.S. university with more than 30,000 American students.

SERVICE
- Admissions & Immigration – We’ll help with admissions questions and send immigration documents.
- Housing – Our staff will help students find housing that meets their needs.
- Advising – Faculty and staff assist students so the focus remains on your educational goals.

THE TROLLEY
The San Diego Trolley, which has a transit station on the SDSU campus, enables students to navigate San Diego without a car.

The Trolley provides students connections to:
- Downtown and the Gaslamp Quarter
- Some of the finest shopping in Southern California
- Quick connections to San Diego’s many beach communities
The Trolley also gives students without a car a wide choice of living options away from campus.

CHOOSE COURSES FROM OVER 80 DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS
- Academic Excellence
- Friendly People
- Amazing Weather

RANKED ONE OF THE SAFEST CITIES IN THE U.S.
Semester at SDSU General Courses

**FAST FACTS**
- **Number of Weeks**: 19 fall or 17 spring
- **Instruction**: 12 units for undergraduate courses and 9 units for graduate courses
- **Requirements**: TOEFL iBT 80 or IELTS 6.5
- **Included**: Access to SDSU student resources: sports facilities, gym, library, and student clubs
- **Dates and Fees**: ali.sdsu.edu/calendar
- **Program Information**: ali.sdsu.edu/semester ali.sdsu.edu/semesterblog

**SUMMARY**
Students earn university credit in one or two semesters while taking classes with American students at SDSU in non-business departments.

Students in this program are not eligible to take courses in the College of Business Administration (CBA), which includes Accounting, Business Administration, Management, Marketing, Finance, and Management Information Systems. Those wishing to take courses in the CBA should apply for the Semester at SDSU Business Courses program (see next page).

For course descriptions, please visit sdsu.edu/catalog. For sample class schedules of the courses usually offered, go to sdsu.edu/schedule. Please be aware that not all courses are offered every semester.

**HIGHLIGHTS**
- **SDSU Courses**: Students can experience SDSU courses with American university students.
- **Official Transcript**: Earned credits are listed on an official SDSU transcript and may be transferable to other universities.
- **Variety of Classes**: SDSU offers more than 3,000 class sections each semester in more than 80 different academic fields. A large number of these classes have additional spaces available after SDSU students have enrolled. Semester at SDSU allows international students to take advantage of these extra spaces.
- **12 Undergraduate or 9 Graduate Units of SDSU Courses**: Through this program, students enroll in 12 undergraduate units or nine graduate units of SDSU courses. Most classes are three units. A fee applies for additional units.

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1897

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**MORE THAN**
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SDSU CLASSES

“Taking classes with American students is great.”
— Natalia,
Semester at SDSU student
Semester at SDSU Business Courses

SUMMARY
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Undergraduate Business Courses – This program is for students who are currently in a business-related Bachelor’s degree program and would like to enroll in undergraduate-level courses.

Graduate Business Courses – This program is designed for students who are currently in a business-related Master’s degree program and would like to enroll in graduate-level courses.

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- **SDSU Integration** – Business classes are taught by SDSU faculty and most business classes in this program are not integrated with American students. Some business classes with American students may be available depending on space.
- **Business Courses** – Students in this program are eligible to enroll in courses in the College of Business Administration including those in Accounting, Business Administration, Finance, Management, Marketing, and Management Information Systems.
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JOIN ONE OF SDSU’S 200 STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
FREE GYM MEMBERSHIP
RECEIVE UNIVERSITY CREDIT
CHECK OUT SDSU ON GOOGLE STREET VIEW sdsu.edu/googlemap
**SUMMARY**

Semester at SDSU Certificates are available for advanced English students who would like to take San Diego State University courses for one or two semesters. Students can choose from a variety of certificates and receive an official SDSU transcript with transferable credits.

**ENTERTAINMENT MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE**

(1 or 2 semesters)

This certificate program focuses on backstage management of people and technology in the performing arts. The certificate is designed for students who desire careers as producers, managers, and entrepreneurs in the area of live performing arts.

**PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- Students study and gain experience in stage production and event management as well as business principles of television and film, and marketing entertainment.
- Students build a foundation of knowledge for positions in managerial and business environments of the creative, cultural, and events industries.

**BUSINESS CERTIFICATE**

(1 or 2 semesters)

Through this program, students expand their business knowledge by enrolling in SDSU College of Business Administration courses.

**PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- Choose from a variety of SDSU business courses. Through this program, students can enroll in 12 undergraduate or nine graduate units of SDSU courses.
- Students enroll in a predetermined number of Special Session business classes taught by SDSU faculty; however, these classes are not integrated with American students. Other business classes with American students may be available depending on space.

**ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES CERTIFICATE**

(1 semester)

This professional program offers a multidisciplinary approach for those interested in the interaction between people and the environment.

**PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- Students learn diverse ways to develop knowledge of the causes and consequences of human impact on the environment.
- Students can increase their understanding of the theoretical and applied approaches to environmental problems and issues.

*Note: A bachelor’s degree in any field is required.*
BE A PART OF THE UNIVERSITY
- Study on the SDSU campus
- Live in on-campus dormitories
- Play intramural team sports
- Study in the SDSU library
- Eat at any of three campus food courts
- Attend concerts and events on campus
- Take SDSU courses
- Attend exercise classes at the SDSU recreation center
- Swim in one of three pools

STUDENT LIFE
- Events – Students can get involved in the many events and activities at SDSU and throughout San Diego, including volunteer outings and holiday parties.
- Recreation Center – From swimming to free weights, yoga and rock climbing, it’s all included at the SDSU recreation center.
- Conversation Groups – For extra practice, students talk with Americans in a casual, social setting.
- Sports Teams – Join an intramural team and play against other teams. Sports include soccer, basketball, tennis, volleyball, and more.

HOUSING
- Homestay – The ALI coordinates and manages the homestay program with over 300 families. All locations are within 30 minutes of campus by public transportation.
- On-Campus Dormitory or Apartment – On-campus housing is available at all times of the year.
- Off-Campus Private Housing – Our staff assists students in finding the perfect housing option. Many students live in private houses and apartments within easy walking distance of campus.

STAFF SUPPORT
- Admissions and Immigration – Staff supports students throughout the application and immigration process.
- Arriving – Airport pickup service is available for students at the San Diego International Airport.
- Orientation – Students receive useful information about their ALI program at orientation.
- Transitioning – Staff provides resources to help students transition successfully into life in the U.S.
- Advising – Advisors are available to help with course information.
- Counseling, Health Insurance and Student Life – Our trained staff is available to assist.

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HOUSING CHOICES INCLUDE
300+ HOST FAMILIES

23,165 SQUARE METER GYM

- Surfing Classes
- Sporting Events
- Recreation Center
Admissions and Immigration
Apply online at ali.sdsu.edu/apply

Steps to apply:
1. Complete online application
2. Submit application fee of $175
3. Submit a current bank statement by email, mail, or fax
4. Submit copy of passport
5. Submit proof of English proficiency

Contact the Admissions and Immigration Team
Email: applyali@mail.sdsu.edu

The ALI is a member of the Consortium of University and College Intensive English Programs (UCIEP) and the American Association of Intensive English Programs (AAIEP).

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