

TREASURES OF CALIFORNIA

It's the question poised on the tips of all tongues on that first day of classes every autumn. Can you imagine the looks on your friends' faces as you describe learning to surf and riding your first wave all the way back to shore? Will they really understand what it means to live in an on-campus dorm? How will you convey the exhilaration of being immersed in an exciting, foreign culture? You'll find out when you provide the astounding answers this program will provide to the question of how you spent your summer vacation. The first step towards a new you and a fresh outlook on life is leaving your comfort zone and checking the traditional and ordinary at the airport. It's your summer, so what better place to spend it than in sunny and radiant California on the world-famous campus of UCLA?

CALIFORNIA

You can spend your summer anywhere – so why not get yourself to California where you can do it while having the time of your life, and when we think California, we can't help but drift off and become mesmerised by the great road trips. With volleyball on Venice Beach, prime outlet shopping on Rodeo Drive and catching the sunset from San Francisco Golden Gate as but a taste of the activities available to you, you'll find that fun isn't hard to come by. Plus, a major advantage and reason for studying English is that it enables you to travel the world and experience exciting and foreign cultures firsthand. So push your limits and get a taste of the exhilarating possibilities your future holds. Leave tradition to textbooks and see for yourself what's happening around California. And if you feel like shifting it up a gear, then why not go true American style and throttle down the coast in a Mustang convertible.

COMPLETE COLLEGIATE EXPERIENCE

Witness firsthand – from the center of all the action – what it is that ranks University of California, Los Angeles among the best in the world. From building life-long friendships with like-minded peers from the whole world over in your on-campus dormitory to enjoying the use of top-notch recreation facilities located a mere minutes away, you'll experience the exciting and unsurpassed collegiate life only America can provide. Who would have thought that school could be this much fun? In the end, you may even find that this is something you want more of. With this motivation and a little hard work, you could find yourself returning here for four more years in the not too distant future.

FUN INTERACTIVE ENGLISH

With stimulating discussions, energetic American instructors, and international peers, you can rest assured this is no typical class. You'll be amazed how engaging learning English can be with an exciting, university-level environment as the standard. Additionally, our selection of special electives allows you to try your hand in screenwriting with the Creative Writing course, explore

social networking sites in Film and Media, or study American Culture at its epicenter – all while fine-tuning everything from grammar to pronunciation to your new English-speaking identity.

COURSE LENGTH: Minimum 1 week stay (Saturday to Saturday)

LEVELS: 10 levels (beginning–advanced)

AVERAGE CLASS: 9-12 students (maximum: 15 students)

AGE LIMITATION: 18 +

LESSONS

- 20 lessons per week, 50 minutes per lesson (Monday-Friday: 9am-12.45pm)
- Internationally mixed classes
- Upon completion of studies, all students receive a certificate confirming course participation, level achieved, and study dates

SPECIAL ELECTIVES

American culture: Students in this class explore contemporary American cultural themes such as politics, the role of media, food and health trends, pop culture, and race relations.

Film and Media: Using various forms of media such as film, television, music, blogs, and social networking sites, students develop skills in listening, grammar, vocabulary, and pronunciation while expressing ideas and opinions in English.

American Slang: Students increase their fluency by learning practical, widely used American slang terms while engaged in additional fun and interesting activities.

Accent Reduction: Designed to reduce foreign accents that interfere with effective communication, this course focuses on all aspects of pronunciation - sounds, stress, rhythm, and intonation.

Business English: Students in this class develop their English skills by exploring business case studies, business periodicals, and video clips. Emphasis is placed on oral communication and presentation skills.

Creative Writing: This elective offers students the opportunity to explore language through the practice of various literary techniques, focusing on short fiction, non-fiction narrative, poetry, playwriting, and screenwriting.

SURFIN' USA (English + Surfing)

While others are busy surfing the web, hang a perfect 10 as you dive in headfirst and learn the real thing in the foaming waters of the Pacific. No visit to California is complete without sampling one of its most iconic activities – surfing. With eight hours of professional instruction,

transportation to and from local beaches and the use of a surfboard and wetsuit, all you need to bring is courage and a positive attitude. Surfs up!

HIGHLIGHTING HOLLYWOOD (English + Hollywood)

If you've always wanted to go behind the scenes of the world's entertainment hub – stop dreaming and start exploring. For the true TV and movie enthusiast, what better way to spend your afternoons than on Hollywood's back lots and glimpsing the stars' front yards? For the memories of a lifetime, this fascinating insider's guide to Hollywood program – complete with a major studio tour, two TV taping sessions and a guided Hollywood tour – is an opportunity not to be missed.

Also available are equally alluring programs in [tennis](#), [photography](#), and [yoga](#). Each is personalized, in-depth, and sure to provide memories not soon to be forgotten.

THINGS TO DO in CALIFORNIA

Sample Afternoon, Evening Activities:

- Hollywood Walk of Fame
- Movie Premieres
- Santa Monica Pier Concert
- Dance Party
- Rodeo Drive
- Beverly Hills
- Santa Monica Beach
- Sunset Strip
- 3rd Street Promenade
- Sports at the Park
- Shopping

Sample Weekend Excursions:

- San Francisco
- San Diego
- Las Vegas
- Palm Springs
- Santa Barbara
- Yosemite National Park
- Grand Canyon

UCLA CAMPUS DETAILS:

- Double room occupancy,
- 18 meals per week (full-board Monday – Friday, half-board Saturday, breakfast only Sunday)
- Free internet connection in each room
- Free access to UCLA's facilities: John Wooden Athletic Center and Sunset Recreation Center (swimming pools, basketball courts, gymnasiums)
- Students have use of multiple computer labs across campus as well as free wireless internet
- Students have access to UCLA bookstore, libraries, and Ackerman Student Union with study lounge, cafeteria