

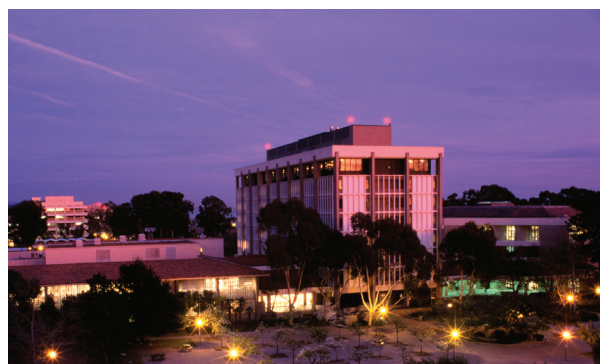


# The UC Santa Barbara Freshman Summer Start's International Students Program

The Freshman Summer Start Program (FSSP) gives incoming freshmen a head start on their course work and facilitates a successful academic and social transition from high school into the university. This year FSSP offers a new program for international students.

## What does it include?

- 7-13 units of regular UCSB courses. (The average load is 9 units.) With nearly 70 courses to choose from, you will have plenty of options as you work toward your major, pre-major, or General Education requirements. Plus, there are Freshman Seminars, Honors sections, and other academic enrichment courses. In addition, all FSSP students enroll in a common course, The Modern Research University, created to help you learn about faculty and undergraduate research as well as the many opportunities and resources UCSB offers.
- Two special courses: a 1-unit Freshman Seminar on American life and culture and a 4-unit Linguistics course, Academic English for Multilingual Students (both optional).
- Faculty mentors. Every international student will be paired with a faculty mentor to ensure a rewarding transition into UCSB and the Santa Barbara area.
- Reduced cost in summer. International students pay the same as California residents during FSSP. For the price of the program, see the website.
- Make new friends! International students attending FSSP will live in San Nicolas Residence Hall with other FSSP students. With limited enrollment, students form friendships that last throughout their college experience.
- Transition and Support. Academic and personal support from student services such as the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP), Campus Learning Assistance Services (CLAS), College of Letters & Science advisors, Counseling & Career Services, Student Health, and the Wellness Program to make the transition to UCSB a smooth one.
- Numerous extracurricular activities. Some recent activities include an opening beach BBQ and closing banquet, performance and discussion by a professional Shakespearean Troupe, field trips to the Getty and local Santa Barbara museums, a Fireside Chat with Nobel Laureate Walter Kohn, faculty-student lunches, sailing trips, hikes in the Santa Barbara mountains, dances, pizza parties, and sporting activities.
- Weeklong camping trip between the end of FSSP and the beginning of the Fall quarter (optional).



To learn how you can enroll in the Freshman Summer Start Program, please see our website: [www.summer.ucsb.edu/fssp.html](http://www.summer.ucsb.edu/fssp.html) or contact our Program Manager at 805-893-2377 [fssp@summersessions.ucsb.edu](mailto:fssp@summersessions.ucsb.edu)