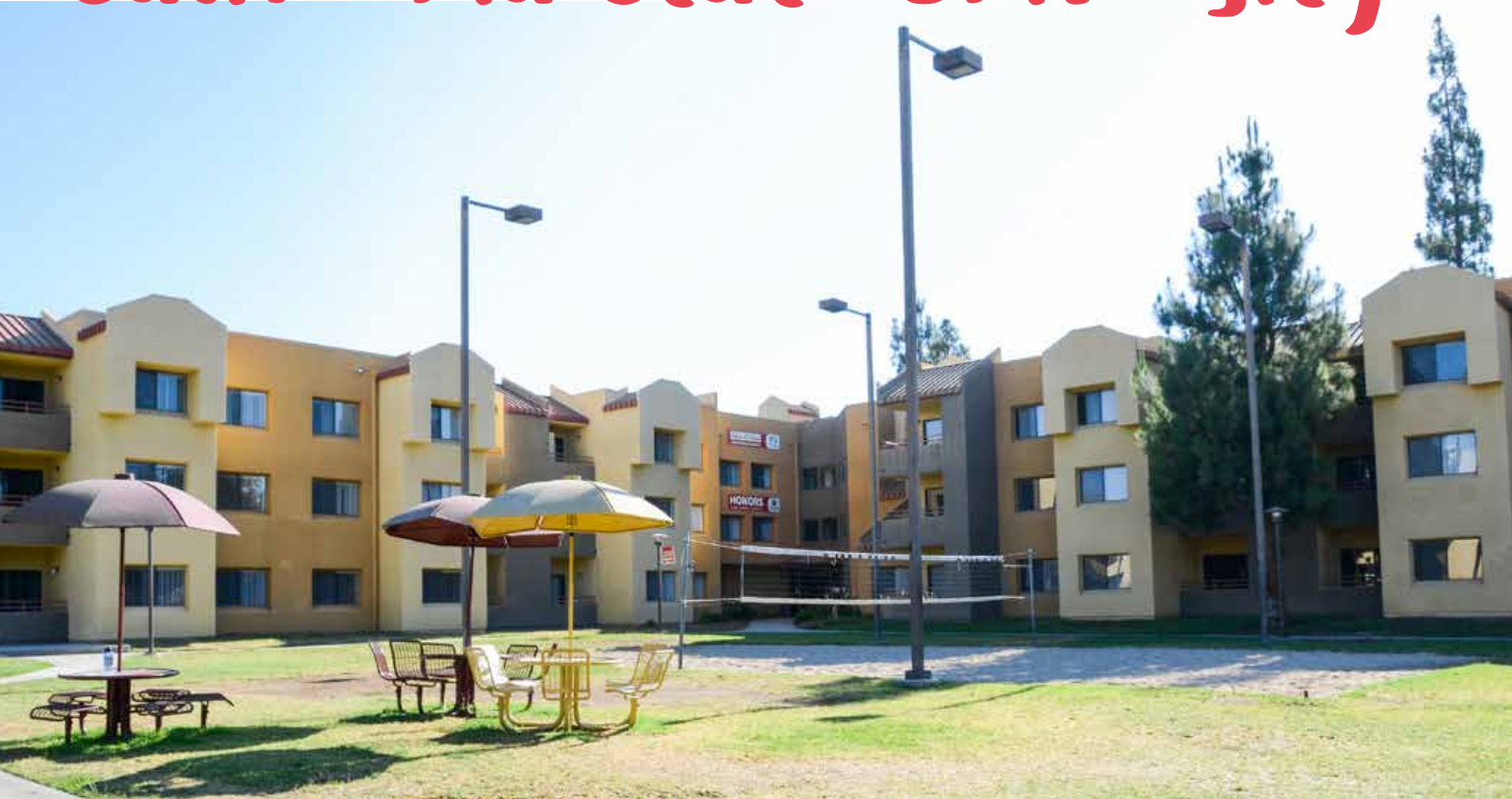


# Embassy

## California State University



**Our centre is located on the Northridge campus of California State University, also known as CSUN, situated in the Los Angeles San Fernando valley.**

The campus has excellent sports facilities with outdoor sand volleyball and basketball courts, an outdoor swimming pool and plenty of areas around the campus for games and activities.

Accommodation is located in a new residential block with a multi games room, café and mini-supermarket all within easy reach.

### **Why California State University?:**

- Large campus with great outdoor facilities to enjoy
- Ideal environment for younger students
- Popular Californian destinations within easy reach



### **Key Facts:**

**Age range:** 10 to 18

**Dates:** 19 Jun – 6 Aug

**Centre capacity:** 250

**Nearest town/city:** Los Angeles

**Time to Los Angeles:** 45 minutes by coach

**Main nationalities in 2016:**

Brazilian, Taiwanese, Russian, Vietnamese, Argentinian, Chinese

**Transport links:**

Los Angeles International airport 45 minutes

# Campus facilities

## Accommodation

- One main residential building over 5 floors with both twin en-suite and standard rooms
- Standard and en-suite rooms have a shared bathroom ratio of 1:4
- Each room contains a single bed, wardrobe, desk and chair
- All rooms have air-conditioning
- Residential buildings close to teaching facilities and dining hall
- Wi-Fi available throughout

**Deposit of \$100 required upon arrival**  
**Replacement of lost room key \$100**

## Common areas

- Communal lounges on each floor of the residence building
- Multi games room
- Wi-Fi available

## Cleaning

- Students responsible for keeping their rooms cleaned
- Common areas cleaned daily
- Student bathrooms cleaned daily
- Clean sheets are provided weekly
- Students must bring own towel

## Laundry

Washing machines are located in each residence building.  
 • Cleaning and drying \$3 per cycle

## Meals

Meals served in a large self-service canteen in Geronimo's Dining Hall.

## Sports

- Sand volleyball court
- Basketball court
- Outdoor swimming pool
- Outdoor areas for games and activities

## Food options

### Breakfast

cooked and continental which might include pancakes, eggs, juice, coffee, toast, cereal, fruit

### Lunch

2 courses, 3 options including vegetarian

### Evening meal

2 courses 3 options including vegetarian

### Packed lunches are provided at weekends

water, fruit, sandwich, crisps, biscuits/cake

### Snacks

vending machines located in some of the communal lounges for drinks and confectionery

### Onsite shops:

- Mini supermarket
- Cash machine (ATM)



# Programme information

## Arrival

Students will be welcomed upon arrival at the CSUN Conference Office where they will register and get their room keys and can check-in to their rooms.

## Welcome

On the first evening there will be a welcome activity which is designed to ensure students have the opportunity to meet staff and other students and get to know more about the campus, its facilities and useful information which will help them during their stay.

## English lessons

- Placement tests on first morning for all students to ensure put in correct level
- Students will be placed in an international class with students of different nationalities
- Class sizes are maximum 13 students
- 20x 45 minute lessons per week - 3 days per week
- Qualified teachers use a communicative teaching methodology to engage students in a fun and dynamic way
- Particular focus is on improving listening and speaking skills
- Classrooms are located in the residence building
- Classrooms are standard style

## Activities

Activities are organised every afternoon Monday to Friday and every evening all week, for students not on a prepaid excursion or any additional optional trips. These activities could be onsite or near to the centre. These may include:

- **Sports** such as football, mini Olympics, table tennis, volleyball and basketball
- **Drama and performance activities** such as scavenger hunts and drama workshops
- **Evening activities** such as karaoke, talent show, pool party and BBQ

## Excursions

Full-day excursions from CSUN include:

**Downtown LA and Griffiths Observatory:** for stunning views of Hollywood and its famous sign as well as space and science exhibitions

**Santa Monica, Venice Beach, Huntington Beach and Hermosa Beach:** enjoy walking, bicycling or roller skating along these famous beaches that have been featured in hundreds of movies and TV shows

**Downtown LA and the Grammy Museum:** visit this interactive museum celebrating all forms of music and its annual awards

**Long Beach and the Aquarium of the Pacific:** explore another Californian beach town and see over 11,000 animals and interactive exhibits at its amazing aquarium

## Optional excursions

Take advantage of the additional trips that are available from CSUN:

**Disneyland:** the first and still one of the most visited theme parks in the world

**Universal Studios:** enjoy a fun day of action-packed adventure of rides, shows and real movie studio

**Six Flags Magic Mountain:** explore this 260 acre theme park featuring world-class roller coasters and over 100 rides

**Outlet Shopping Mall trips:** look for bargains amongst the many iconic designer shops



# Life skills

Students on an Embassy Summer programme will gain more than just language skills and exposure to a different culture. Our trips, the tasks students will be set for their trips and excursions and all of our activities are designed to give students the skills they need to succeed in life.

From improved communication to problem solving, from teamwork to leadership - students will be developing key life skills at an important time in their lives.

## Communication



## Confidence



## Teamwork



## Leadership



## Problem solving



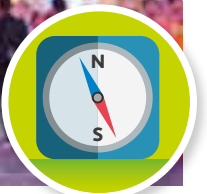
## Curiosity



## Creativity



## Exploration



# Sample programmes (Extra)

## Northridge Sample Extra Program - 2017

Optional trips available at additional cost. Participation in the activity program is compulsory for all students under 18 unless accompanied by a Group Leader.

The week numbers below represent the 4 weekly cycle of programmes at the centre – week 1 being the first week per the centre start date in the 'Key Facts' section on the first page of this guide. Groups will therefore join the week applicable to their start date.

Week 1	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	Arrivals	Testing, Orientations, & Lessons	Full Day Trip: Downtown La Including Cal Science Center And Natural History Museum	Lessons	Full Day Trip: Rodeo Dr & Hollywood Blvd W/ Grammy Museum - Dinner In Los Angeles	Lessons	Beach Day: Hermosa Beach
Afternoon		Campus Tour & Local Shops		Lessons		Lessons	
Evening	Welcome Party			Arts & Crafts Night	Capture The Flag	Summerfest: Movie Night	Pool Party/Mask Making

Week 2	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	Disneyland (Optional Trip) Or Onsite Activities	Lessons	Full Day Trip: Citadel Shopping Center	Lessons	Full Day Trip: Lacma & La Brea Tar Pits	Lessons	Beach Day: Santa Monica And Pier / Shopping
Afternoon		Campus Tour /Mall Trip (Optional)		Lessons		Lessons	
Evening		Welcome Party/ Karaoke Night	Egg Drop	Dodgers (Optional) Or Mini Olympics	Summerfest: Movie Night	Pool Party/Tie Dye	Talent Show

Week 3	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	Universal Studios (Optional Trip) Or Onsite Activities	Lessons	Full Day Trip: Downtown La & Griffith Observatory	Lessons	Full Day Trip: Long Beach And Aquarium Of The Pacific	Lessons	Beach Day: Venice Beach
Afternoon		Mall Trip (Optional)		Lessons		Lessons	
Evening		Welcome/Soccer Tournament	Tie Dye Night/Arts And Crafts	Basketball Tournament/Games	Summerfest: Movie Night	Pool Party/Inflatables	Casino Night

Week 4	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	Six Flags (Optional Trip) Or Onsite Activities	Lessons	Full Day Trip: Downtown La & Grammy Museum	Lessons	Full Day Trip: California Science Center/Natural History Museum	Lessons	Beach Day: Malibu
Afternoon		Mall Trip (Optional)		Lessons		Lessons	
Evening		Welcome Party/Disco	Trash Bag Fashion Show	Volleyball/Sports	Summerfest: Movie Night	Pool Party/Disco	La Sparks (Optional) Or Onsite Activities

# Sample programmes (Essential)

## Northridge Sample Essential Program - 2017

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# Student Welfare

We place the highest priority on care and supervision at all of our Embassy summer centres so you can rest assured students are well looked after. Staff are available 24 hours a day.

## Office address

Embassy Summer Schools  
c/o Conference Services  
California State University, Northridge  
17950 Lassen Street  
Northridge, CA 91325-8286

## Student services

Our student support staff can help you with:

- Accommodation
- Airport transfers
- Information about local services
- Assistance with individual and personal problems
- Emergency contact

## Medical information

If a student needs medical attention an Embassy staff member will help make an appointment. Group leaders must accompany the student to an appointment. An Embassy staff member will accompany any student that is not part of a group. All costs have to be paid by the student. Students must have written consent from their parent or guardian for any medical treatment to be administered.

## Local hospital

Northridge Hospital Medical Center  
18300 Roscoe Blvd.  
Northridge, CA 91328  
Tel: +1 818 885 8500

## Insurance

If a student does not have insurance, StudyCare is available to purchase

## Safe

A safe will be available for the storage of passports, travel documents and deposits.

## In case of emergency

A 24 hour emergency telephone number is available all summer: +1 212 497 8343.

## Check list

- Trainers or walking shoes
- Hat or cap
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Towel
- Sunscreen
- Electrical adaptors
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