

MANY CULTURES | ONE DESTINATION



LAS POSITAS COLLEGE

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM



WELCOME

“Many Cultures. One Destination.” This phrase embodies the essence of our International Student Program and captures the spirit of inclusiveness at Las Positas College. We work to create a welcoming setting for our students who come from all walks of life, from all around the world; and we are committed to helping them develop their skills, meet their goals, and become engaged members of our global community.

We are the College that holds firm to the belief that each of us makes an astonishing difference! At Las Positas College our students thrive because we are committed to student success, equity, and life-long learning. This applies to all areas of the College including our expanding International Student Program, which serves students from all over the world. We provide students with exceptional opportunities and an academic environment focused on their evolution as learners and citizens. Our hope is that you will join us here for your international study, and discover all the ways in which Las Positas College can help you accomplish your goals.

WHY INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS CHOOSE LAS POSITAS COLLEGE

- Affordable cost
- Demonstrated University transfer success rate
- Outstanding student support services
- Dedicated staff and diverse teachers
- Academic excellence
- Over 50 Associate degree programs to choose from
- Variety of programs, activities, and events to experience U.S. culture
- New state-of-the-art facilities



LOCATION



San Francisco Bay Area

Las Positas College is in an ideal location to access many world renown attractions. Our proximity to the major Bay Area cities such as San Francisco, San Jose, Oakland, and Berkeley provides many unique cultural opportunities.

Visit several museums, libraries, art galleries, aquariums, planetariums, theaters, sports events, and concerts in the immediate surrounding area. Las Positas' nearness to the Pacific Ocean and Sierra Nevada mountains offers excellent recreational activities. The Pacific Coast is 1.5 hours to the west, Lake Tahoe and Yosemite National Park are 4 to 5 hours to the east, Silicon Valley is 1 hour to the south, and the Napa Valley is 2 hours to the north.

The City of Livermore

Livermore, a mid-sized city with approximately 80,000 residents, is surrounded by vineyards and golden hillsides and is less than an hour from San Francisco. Livermore is ideally located for trips to the mountains or the ocean. Here you will find great hospitality, community spirit, and a sense of history.

LAS POSITAS COLLEGE FAST FACTS

Different countries represented by Las Positas College international students:	35
Total Las Positas College student population:	8,500
Number of international students:	129
Year Las Positas College was founded:	1975
Driving time from Las Positas College to San Francisco:	50 minutes
Driving time from Las Positas College to San Jose/Silicon Valley:	35 minutes
Population of Livermore:	About 80,000
Programs of Study Available	Over 50



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT UNIVERSITY TRANSFER PATHWAY

Las Positas College students are transferring to four-year colleges at rates higher than students at all California Community Colleges. For example, **84%** of our students who apply to the **University of California (UC)** system are accepted for transfer admission.

2+2 TRANSFER

Complete your first
2 YEARS*
of academic studies
at Las Positas College



Transfer and complete
your next
2 YEARS
at a University



**4 YEAR
BACHELOR'S
DEGREE**



Las Positas College maintains guaranteed Transfer Admission Agreements (TAA) with several colleges and universities. Transfer Admission Agreements allow eligible students to write a contract with 4-year universities. These agreements provide guaranteed admissions upon fulfillment of the contract.

Las Positas College has Transfer Admission Agreements for international students with the following universities:

- U.C. Davis
- U.C. Merced
- U.C. Santa Cruz
- U.C. Irvine
- U.C. Santa Barbara
- U.C. Riverside

**Students requiring ESL and/or remedial math may need additional time to complete transfer requirements.*

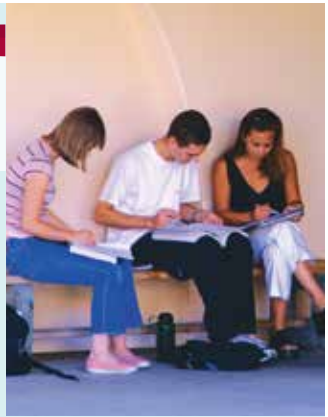


LAS POSITAS COLLEGE OFFERS OVER 50 ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Las Positas College is a public institution accredited by Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). Educational institutions such as the University of California and California State University systems, and private colleges and universities give full credit for equivalent courses taken at Las Positas College. Complementing our excellent academic programs are a variety of student support services designed to give you the personal attention needed to help you succeed.

Some of the programs we offer are:

Administration of Justice	Design Technology	Mathematics
Automotive Technology	Early Childhood Development	Music
Biological Sciences	Electronics Technology	Psychology
Business	Engineering	Retail Management
Business Administration	English	Sociology
Chemistry	Fire Service Technology	Supervisory Management
Computer Information Systems	Kinesiology	Visual Communications (Graphic Design)
Computer Network Engineering	Marketing	Viticulture
Computer Science	Mass Communications	



Dina Ra
- Cambodia



“ The rigorous academic program at Las Positas provided me with a strong foundation which allowed me to transfer to my preferred 4-year institution and prepared me for my chosen career. ”

Transferred to San Diego State University

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Las Positas College **requires** an English Language Proficiency exam such as **TOEFL** or **IELTS** is for admission.

Students who submit iBT TOEFL scores 45-60 or Academic IELTS scores of 5.0 may be required to take intermediate or advanced College English as a Second Language (ESL) courses to increase their English proficiency. These ESL courses are designed to advance your academic English language skills of reading, writing and grammar while preparing you for academic success.



QUALITY EDUCATION AT AN AFFORDABLE COST

TUITION COST COMPARISON*

One academic year tuition at area schools:

LPC	\$6,998
Cal State University, East Bay	\$15,492
University of California, Berkeley	\$38,850
Stanford University (private)	\$44,184

*Fees as of Spring 2015. Fees subject to change.

“ I chose Las Positas College because it was affordable and the location was great. When I finish my studies at LPC, I plan to transfer to a University to earn a Bachelor’s Degree in Business. I believe that my teachers and classes at LPC have prepared me to succeed at any top University. ”

Transferred to CSU East Bay

Gurbinder Singh
- India



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM PHILOSOPHY

The International Student Program at Las Positas College is dedicated to:

- Providing you with a successful educational and life experience.
- Creating opportunities for personal growth.
- Offering strong student support services at every level to facilitate progress toward successful completion of your educational goals.
- Promoting global citizens by advancing the mutual exchange of cultural perspectives.



Arpi Nakashian
- Armenia



“ Las Positas has been the right institution for me to achieve my goals and utilize my potential in a friendly and multi-cultural environment. LPC is the reliable bridge leading me to my future. ”

Transferred to CSU Stanislaus

SUPPORT SERVICES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The International Student Program at Las Positas College is dedicated to assisting international students with academic matters, immigration regulations, and personal concerns. Our programs and services are designed to assist you in achieving your educational goals while studying in the United States. Some of the services we provide include:

- New Student Orientation
- Specialized Academic, Immigration and Personal Counseling
- Free Tutoring
- Student Clubs and Organizations
- Cultural Workshops and Activities
- Housing Assistance
- Career and College Transfer Center
- Student Health Center
- Employment Center





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