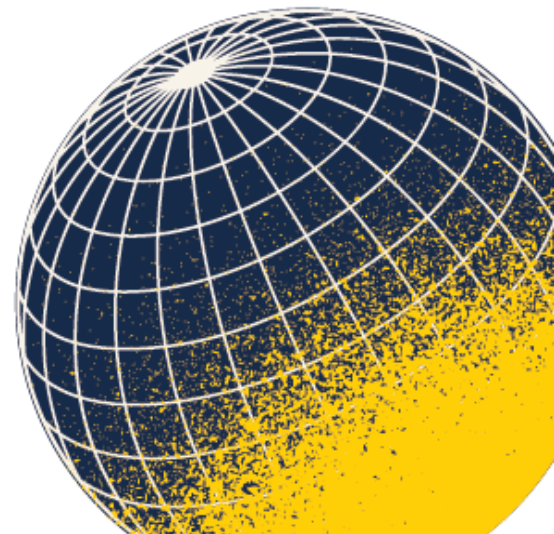


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**Welcome to UC San Diego:
Undergraduate Student Life
& Getting Involved**



Presenters



- **Gabriela Hoffmann**

- Senior Director
- International Services and Engagement Office (ISEO)

- **Adam Mckinney**

- Manager
- International House

- **Julian Zepada**

- Program Coordinator
- International House

Agenda

- **International Services and Engagement Office (ISEO)**
- **International House (I-House)**
- **Globally Engaged Tritons**
- **Other Ways to Get Involved**
- **Student Panel**
- **Additional Resources**

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Before We Begin



You are in listen-only mode. You can hear us, but we can't hear you.

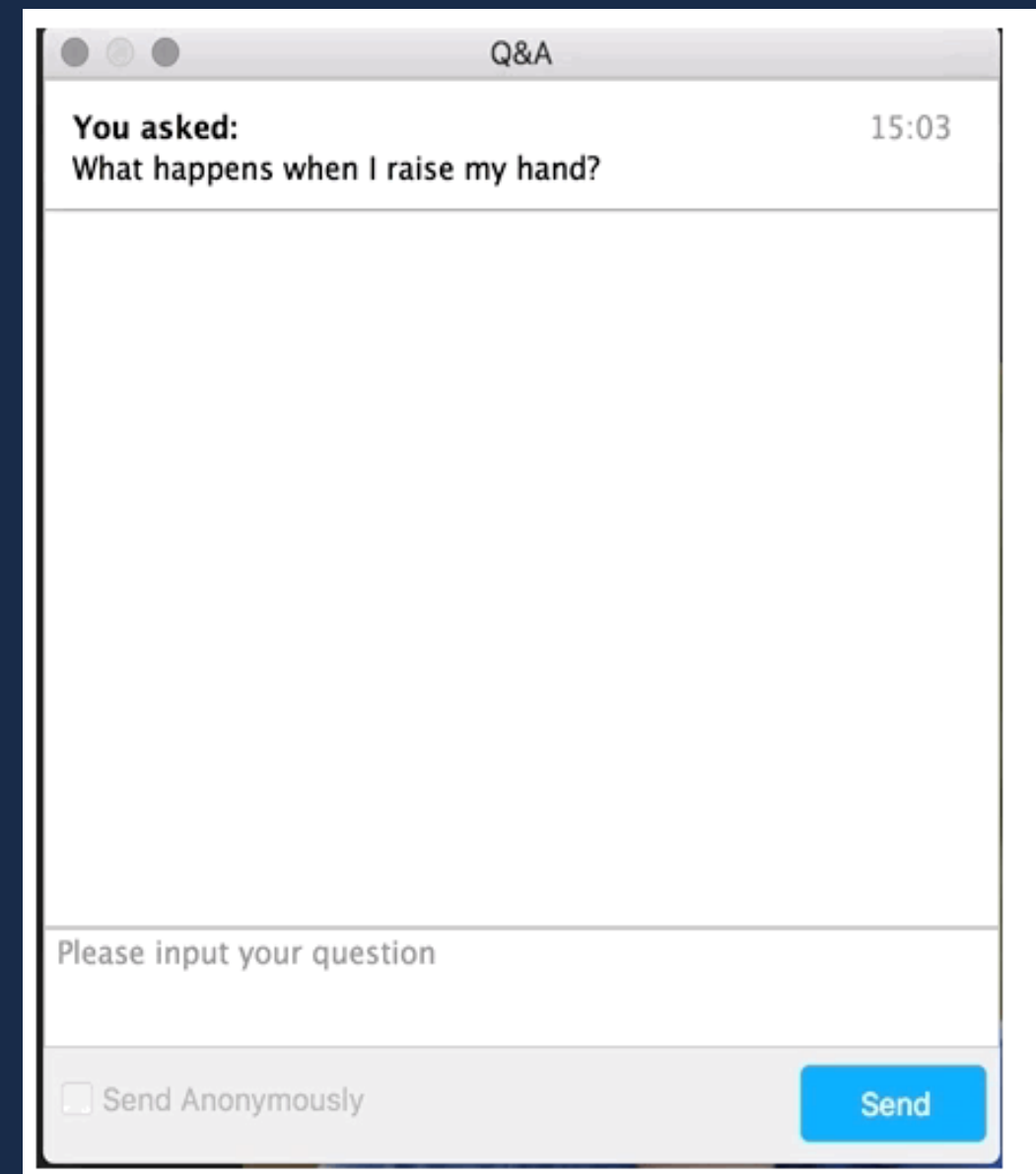
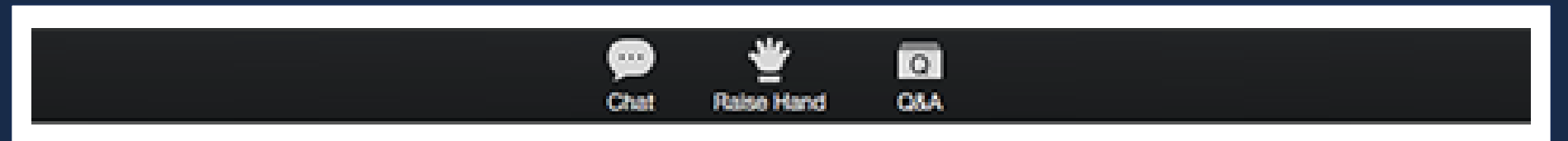


Ask questions – Use the Q&A feature to submit questions. You can also contact us at iContact.ucsd.edu



We're recording. You'll be able to view this webinar recording at iNewStudentWebinars.ucsd.edu

CONTROL PANEL



MEET **ISEO**

International Services and Engagement Office (ISEO)



**Pre-Arrival &
Orientation**

**Advising
Services**



**Visa and Status
Support Services**

**Programs
& Events**



POPULATIONS WE SERVE

- ✓ **International Students** (10,545 Students, currently enrolled and working after graduation)
- ✓ **International Faculty & Scholars** (2,347 Scholars)
- ✓ International Families (642 Spouses/Partners, 464 Children)
- ✓ **Campus Partners** (Entire Campus!)

#8

Leading Institution for
Hosting **International
Faculty & Scholars**



#15

Leading Institution for
Hosting **International
Students**

13,988

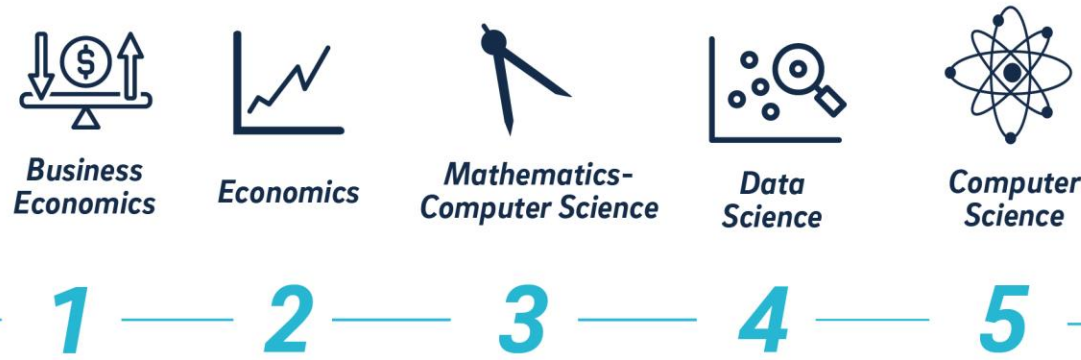
Total Service Population

Source: Open Doors 2025



4,418 UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

TOP 5 MAJORS

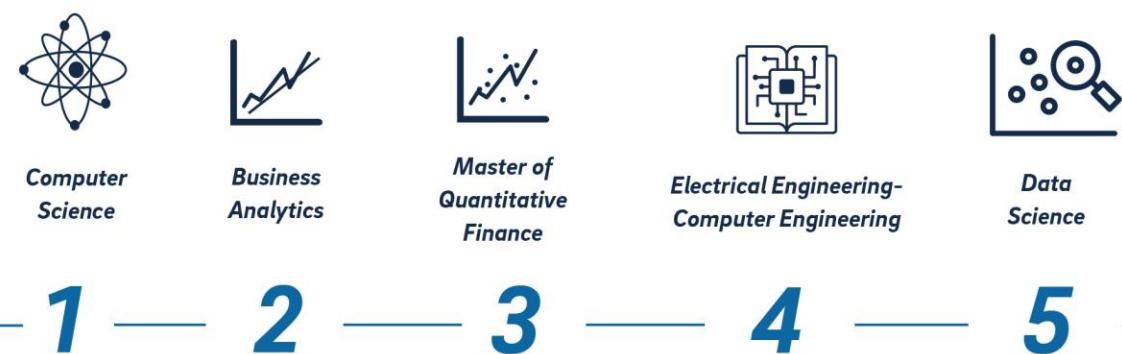


POPULATION BY COLLEGE



3,988 GRADUATE STUDENTS

TOP 5 ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS



8,407

TOTAL INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

19.16% of campus population



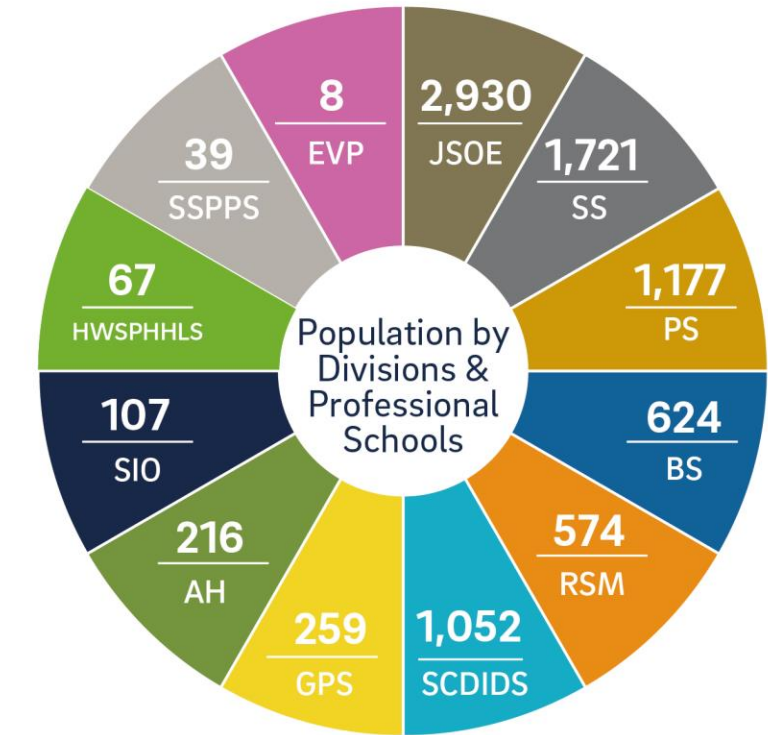
2,167

WORKING AFTER GRADUATION on OPT, STEM OPT or Academic Training

10,897 total of international students served

43,877 TOTAL UCSD STUDENTS

Excludes Studies and State-Supported M.D. & Pharm.D. and Clinical Residents



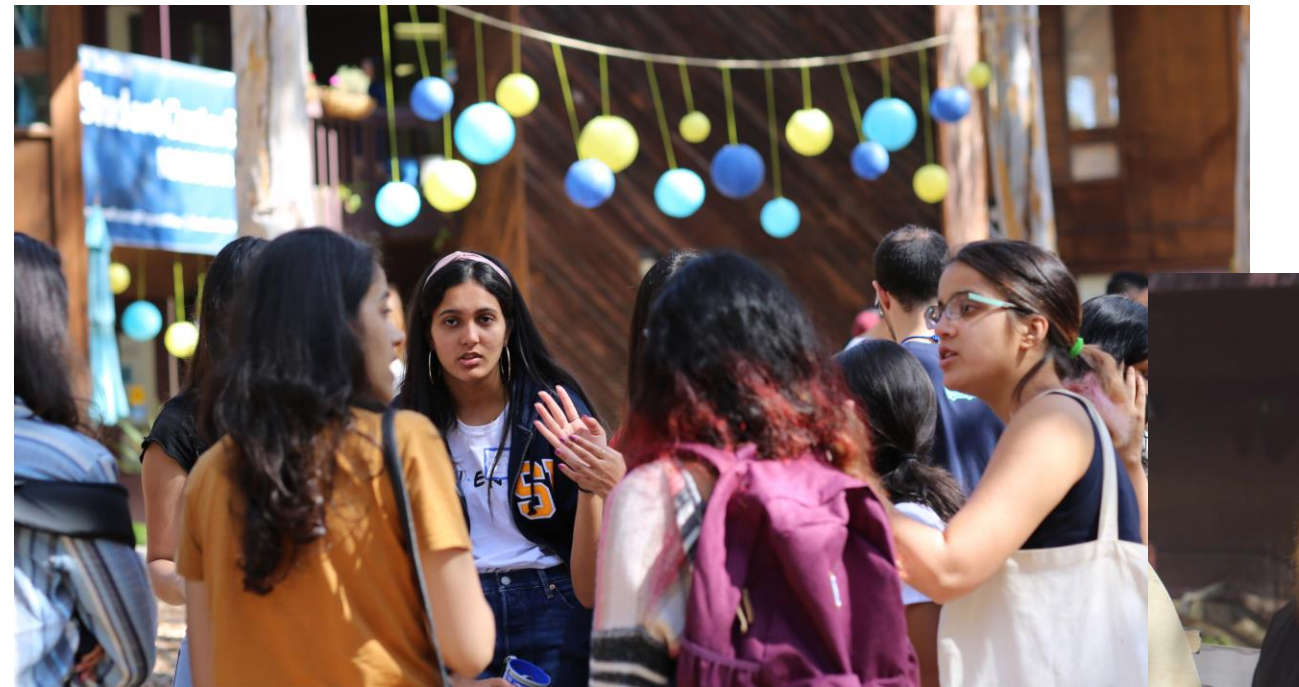
- Jacobs School of Engineering (JSOE)
- Social Sciences (SS)
- Physical Sciences (PS)
- Biological Sciences (BS)
- Rady School of Management (RSM)
- Computing, Information and Data Sciences (SCDIDS)
- Global Policy and Strategy (GPS)
- Arts and Humanities (AH)
- Scripps Institution of Oceanography (SIO)
- Herbert Wertheim School of Public Health and Human Longevity Science (HWSPHLS)
- Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences (SSPPS)
- Exchange and Visitor Programs (EVP)

TOP 10 PLACES OF ORIGIN

*Based on country of citizenship listed on passport



WELCOME!

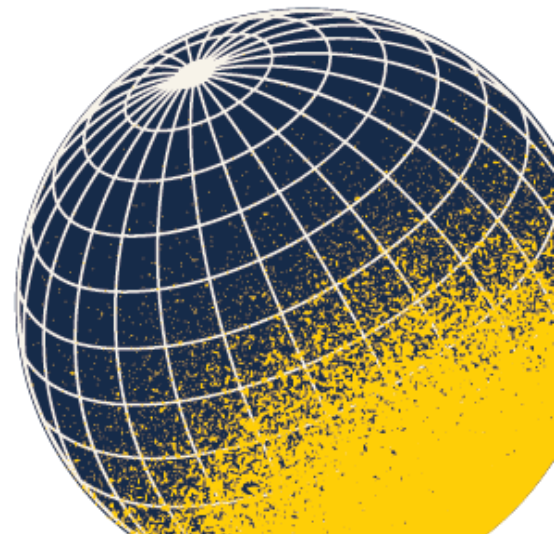


First Steps Checklist

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Accept Your Offer of Admission



- Log into your [applicant portal](#) and complete your Enrollment Checklist, including:
 - Accepting your offer of admission
 - Completing the [California Residency for Tuition Purposes Questionnaire](#) (if required)

Accepted Students

New Degree Students

New Exchange Students

Frequently Asked Questions

New Undergraduate and Graduate Degree Students

CONGRATULATIONS! Newly Admitted **Bachelor's, Master's, and PhD International Students:** The International Services and Engagement Office (ISEO) congratulates you on your admission to the University of California, San Diego!

This page provides a comprehensive guide for newly admitted international undergraduate and graduate students on obtaining their U.S. student visa (F-1 or J-1) and preparing for their arrival to the United States.

Summer Session Visiting Student: if you will only be enrolling with UC San Diego for Summer Session and will **not** matriculate into a UC San Diego degree program, please visit [ISEO's New Summer Session Visiting Page](#).

Step 1: Apply for F-1 or J-1 Certificate of Eligibility

To apply for an F-1 or J-1 visa stamp at a U.S. consulate/embassy, OR to transfer your SEVIS record to UC San Diego (if applicable), you must request that ISEO issue you the appropriate visa status certificate of eligibility document, called the Form I-20 (for F-1 students) or the Form DS-2019 (for J-1 students).

iServices.ucsd.edu will open on **MONDAY, MARCH 3, 2025 (9:00 AM Pacific Standard Time)** for newly admitted Summer 2025 and Fall 2025 international students to begin requesting their immigration documents.

+ [Expand All](#)

Accept Admission and Complete Required Account Set Up



Pre-Arrival & Onboarding

Pre-Arrival Webinars

March, April, May

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iTriton Online Orientation Course

June, July, August

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New International Student Orientation

September

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Pre-Arrival Webinars

- How to Request Your Form I-20 or DS-2019
- Applying for your U.S. Student Visa
- Housing
- Health: Immunization & Insurance Requirements
- Finances & Student Accounts
- Campus Safety
- Getting Set Up in the U.S.
- SEVIS Transfer Process

All webinars are recorded and posted at

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iTriton: Online Orientation Course

iTriton.ucsd.edu

How to access iTriton:

- Check your email for an invitation from [Canvas](#).
- Students must accept the iTriton course invitation to participate in the course.
 - Until the user accepts the course invitation, the user's status will display as pending.
 - Email iPrograms@ucsd.edu if you did not receive an email from Canvas or if you are having trouble accessing the course.
- Log into Canvas using Single Sign-On
- Review modules & participate in discussions



Welcome to UC San Diego!

This online orientation for incoming international students will help guide you through your journey here at UC San Diego.

OVERVIEW

- This orientation contains **modules** that will introduce you to the resources that will help you maintain your student status and succeed at UC San Diego.
- **Click the links below** to view each module. Or click **Modules** on the left-hand menu. Click **Next** to access the next module.

MODULES

INTRO: iTriton Overview	1. Meet ISPO	2. Pre- Arrival	3. Succeeding at UCSD: Logistics
4. Succeeding at UCSD: Getting Involved	5. Working in the United States	6. Caution	7. Check-In with ISPO

International Orientation

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NEW INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORIENTATION



Welcome Guide

LET THE

JOURNEY

BEGIN

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ISEO has created a **Welcome Guide** filled with helpful checklists and interactive links:

- Next steps to take **before you start classes**
- Next steps to take **preparing for arrival**
- Next steps to take **upon arrival**

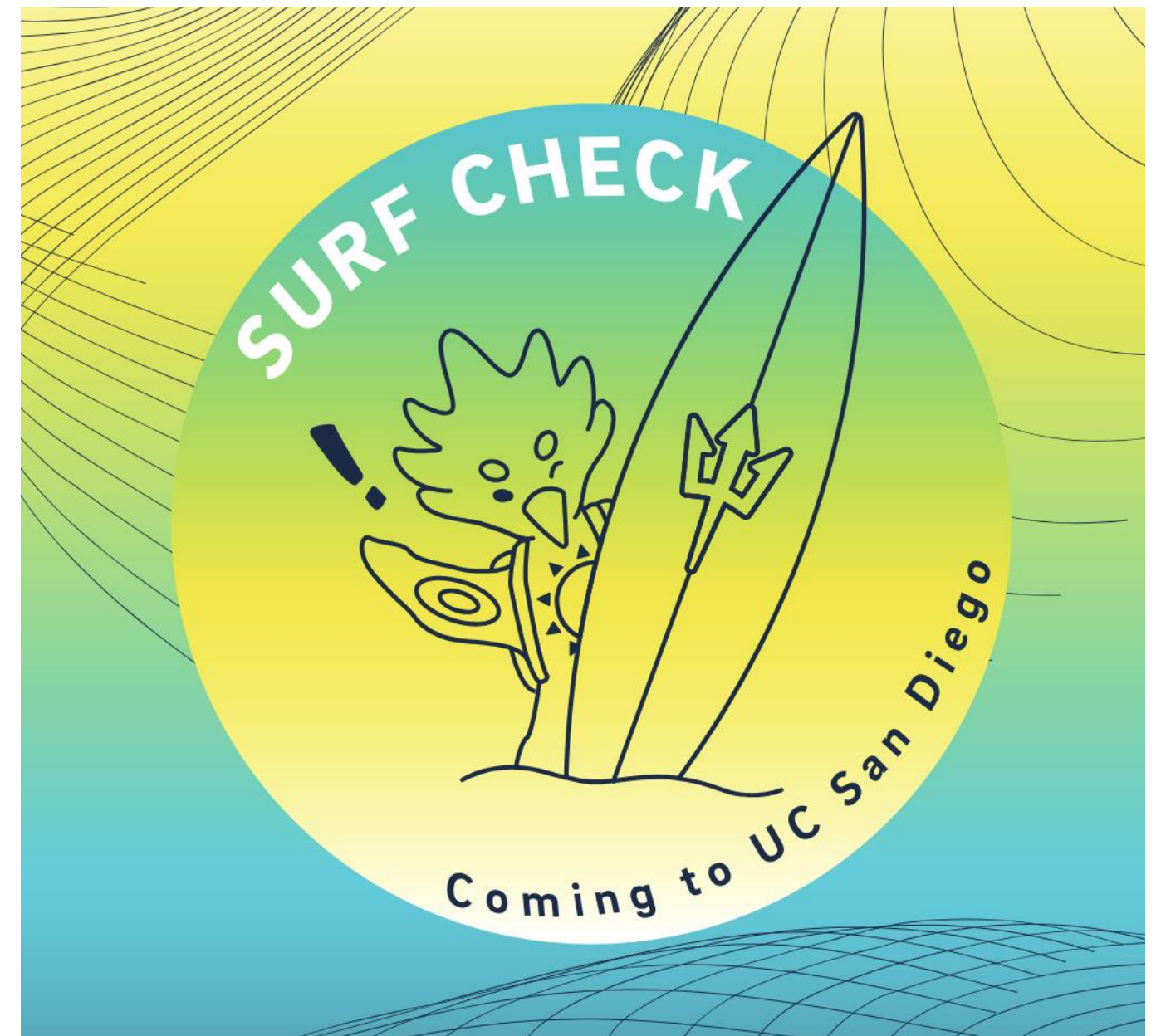
Learn more at

<https://iseo.ucsd.edu/programs/guides.html>

Surf Check Guide

[Surf Check: Coming to UC San Diego Guide](#)

- What to Pack
- Travel
- Arranging Transportation from the Airport to Campus
- Housing Options (On and Off Campus)
- Getting Set Up in the U.S. (US Bank and phone accounts, government issued photo ID, etc.)
- Local Attractions
- Billing/Payment Options for Students
- Dining
- Academics
- And more!



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GAME
NIGHT

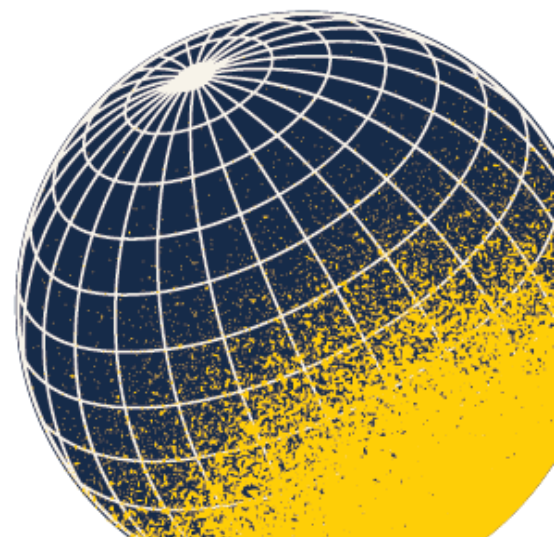
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EVENT

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International House (I-House)

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INTERNATIONAL HOUSE



I-House

International House: A Global Living and Learning Community Since 1988



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Our office and its event space, **Great Hall**, are located in Eleanor Roosevelt College, just north of Thurgood Marshall College



I-House is a community built around global awareness, cultural understanding, and international friendship.

ALL students from ALL colleges are invited to participate in our programs!



Language Conversation Tables Tuesdays!



- Every Tuesday, 5pm-6pm, at the Great Hall, the campus community comes together to build speech fluidity and expand understanding of global cultures in student-led tables.
- Our volunteer hosts facilitate a language table, building a global community through cross cultural communication and friendship.

The Global Forum Wednesdays!



- I-House collaborates with various campus partners and student leaders to put on a series of programs on global topics and international affairs.
- The Global Forum primarily takes the form of a lecture series, but has recently become an opportunity to host academy nominated film screenings, panel discussions, dream spaces, and performing arts.
- Previous and upcoming topics include: Global Impacts of Afrofuturism, Science Fiction and Radical Imagination, and Flamenco: Language & Cultural Appropriation

Sunday Supper



- I-House collaborates with student leaders in the Sunday Supper Planning Committee to put on a quarterly themed formal to commemorate the memories made as a community.
- Sunday Supper includes a dinner, student talent showcase, games & activities, and most importantly, community!

I-House

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INTERNATIONAL HOUSE

Stay in touch with I-House!



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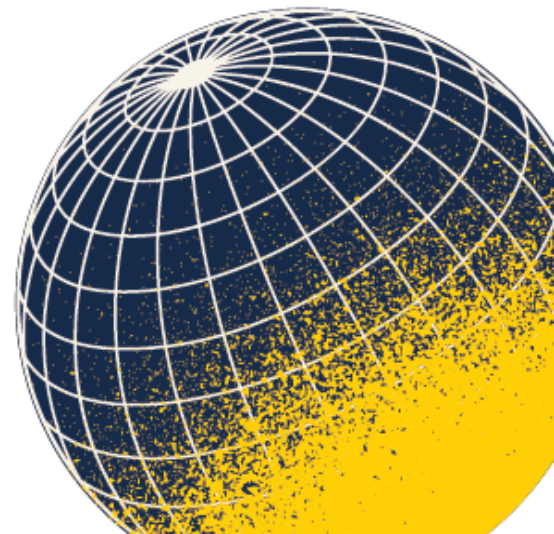
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Scan the QR Code for the listed links, programs, and more!

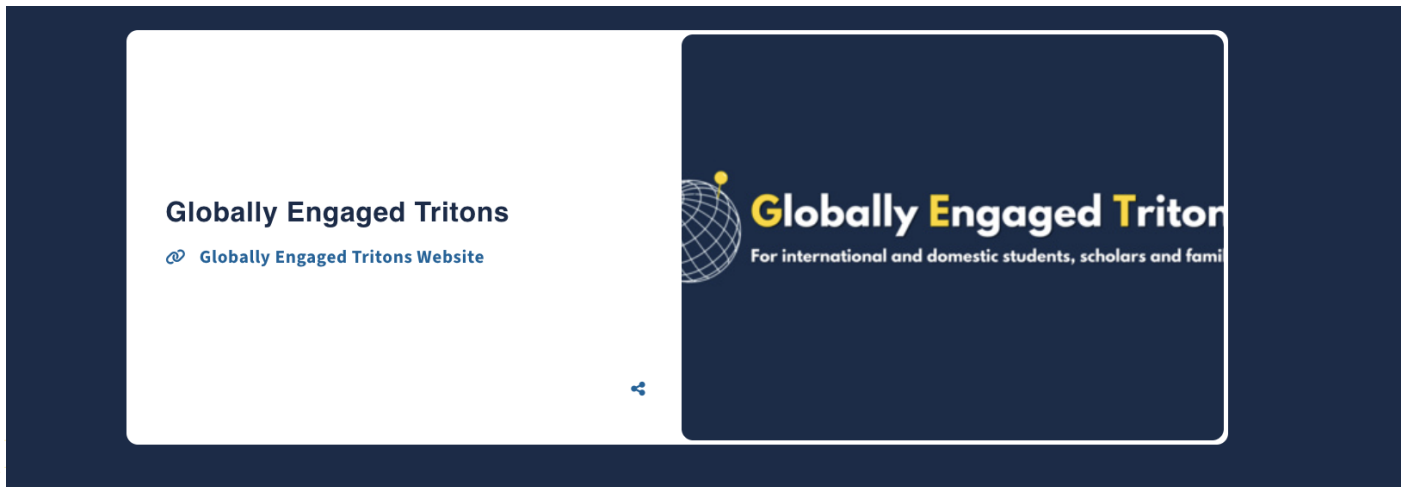


Other Ways to Get Involved



Campus Events Calendar

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About This Group

UC San Diego hosts a wide variety of globally-focused programs, excursions, performances, and discussions that connect the campus community with the world around us. These events are a way for students, faculty and staff to learn about different cultures, try new cuisines, learn and discuss current geopolitical affairs, and make new friends from all over the globe.

Upcoming Events (6)

UC San Diego
CAREER CENTER

Career Center Spring Workshop Series
Mon, Apr 20
Career Services Center, Horizon Zoom

[Register](#)

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CAREER CENTER

Career Center Spring Workshop Series
Tue, Apr 21
Career Services Center, Horizon Zoom

[Register](#)

UC Law
CENTER FOR RACE, IMMIGRATION, CITIZENSHIP & EQUALITY

International Student Study: Opportunity to Share About Your Experiences in U.S.

The project aims to examine how students' temporary status and their experiences in the U.S., with the U.S. immigration system, influence their sense of belonging in the United States, across race, language, culture, goals, and other factors.

WHO International students who hold an F, M, or J visa or OPT status.

Share Your Story as an International Student
Tue, Apr 21
Virtual Event

Language Conversation Tables
Join the Table. Join the World.

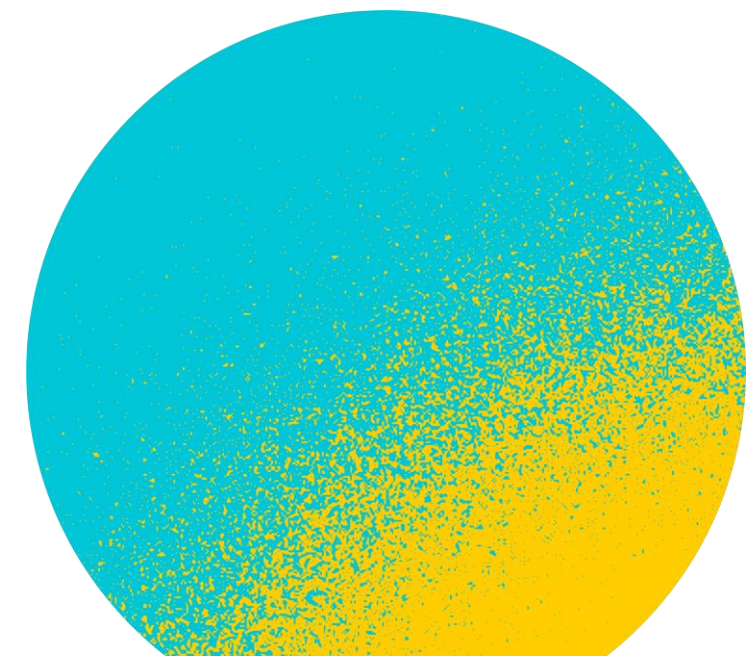
TUESDAYS 5-6PM
AT THE GREAT HALL
WEEKS 3-9

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CAREER CENTER

Globally Engaged Tritons
For international and domestic students, scholars and families.

**For Globally Oriented Programming
(including from ISEO and I-House):**

<https://calendar.ucsd.edu/group/ievents-calendar>



Global Ambassador Program (GAP)

GLOBAL AMBASSADOR PROGRAM



MENTORS NEEDED. Join our summer-long program connecting undergraduate international students with supportive peer mentors

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The Global Ambassadors Program (GAP) is a **summer-only** peer-mentoring program designed to assist incoming international undergraduate students in acclimating to a new environment and making a smooth transition into university life at UC San Diego.

To learn more & sign up, visit: gap.ucsd.edu

Student Organizations

studentorg.ucsd.edu



Navigation
All Categories
Academic Department Affiliated
College Panhellenic Association (CPA)
Cooperative
Cultural
Dance
Educational
Health Professions

Current UC San Diego Student Organizations (2025-2026)

Viewing All Categories

Undergraduate Graduate Combined

Current Student Organizations (2025 - 2026) 751

- Andrew McDonough B+ Foundation at UC San Diego, The
- 333Jugglers
- 4N01 Dance Team
- 528 @UC San Diego
- A Lutheran Ministry Social (ALMS)
- Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy (AMCP at UC San Diego)

Community Centers



APIMEDA

Black Resource Center

Cross Cultural Center



Women's Center



Intertribal Resource Center



Raza Resource Centro

LGBT Resource Center

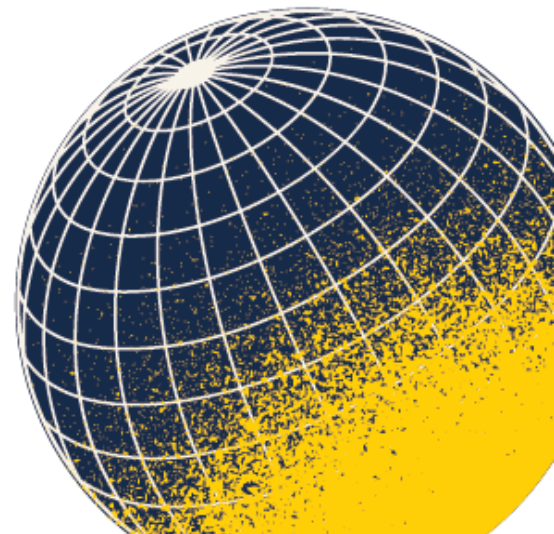


Student Panel

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Panelists

Name: Ziyi Fang

Hometown: Hainan, China

College: ERC

Year: 4th Year

Major: Business Economics

Minor: Finance & Theatre

Name: Kaylin Chan

Hometown: Cypress, Orange County

College: ERC **Year:** 2nd Year

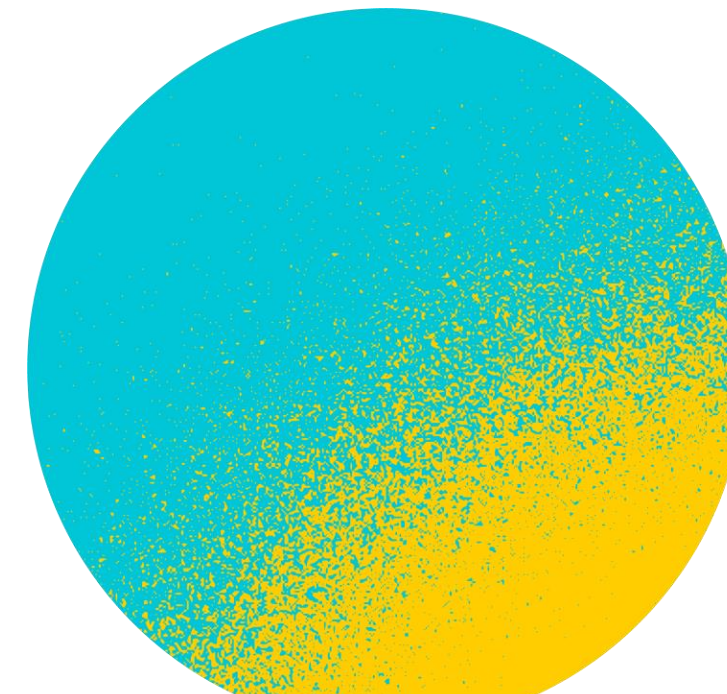
Major: International Studies Global

Business | Cognitive Science Design

& Interaction | Minor in Marketing

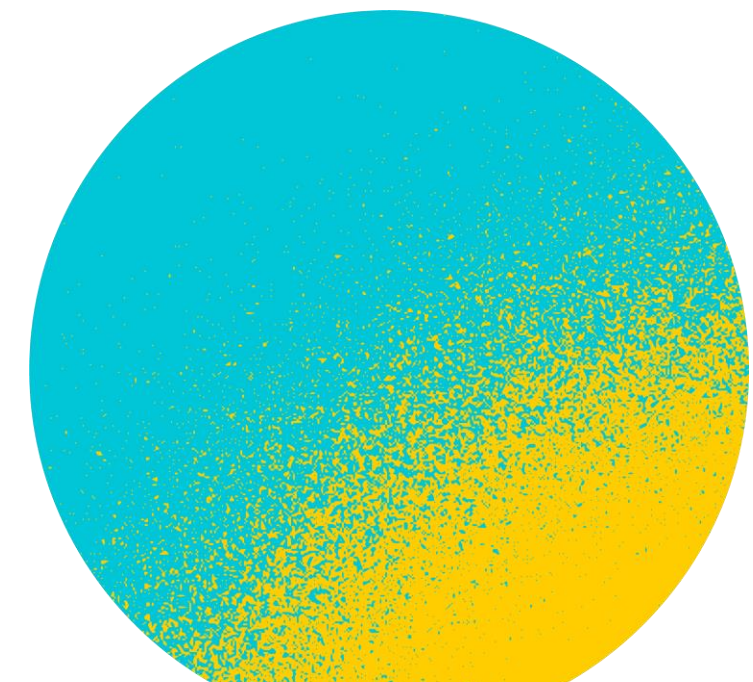
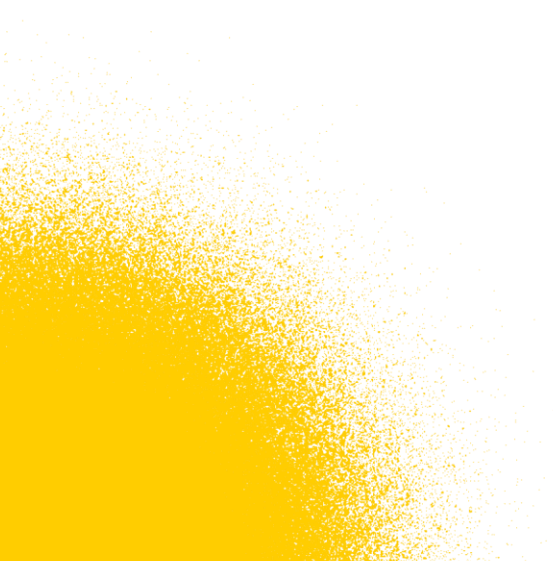
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What was the most challenging part of adapting to UC San Diego?



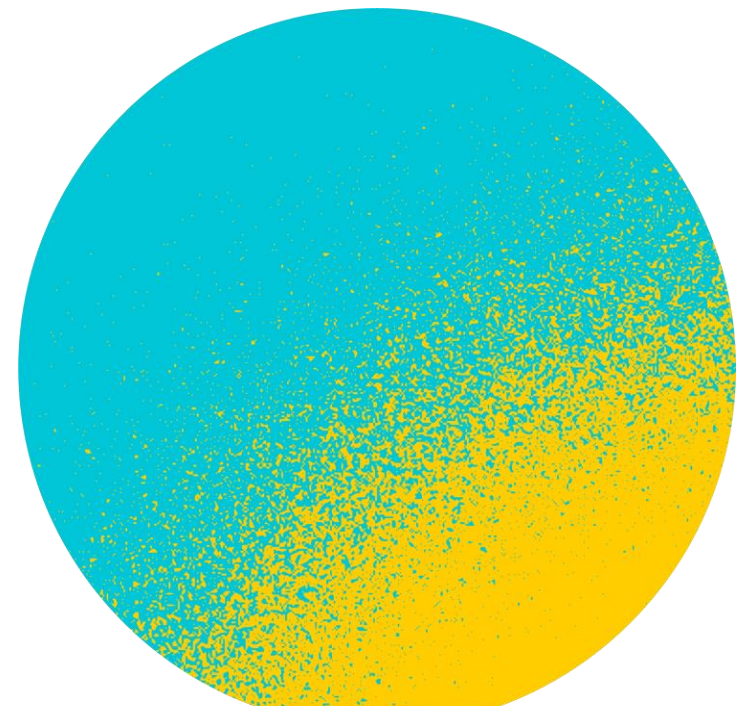
Student Panel

What resources provided by the campus eased the adaptation process?



Student Panel

How would you describe your experience as a student at UC San Diego, beyond the classroom?

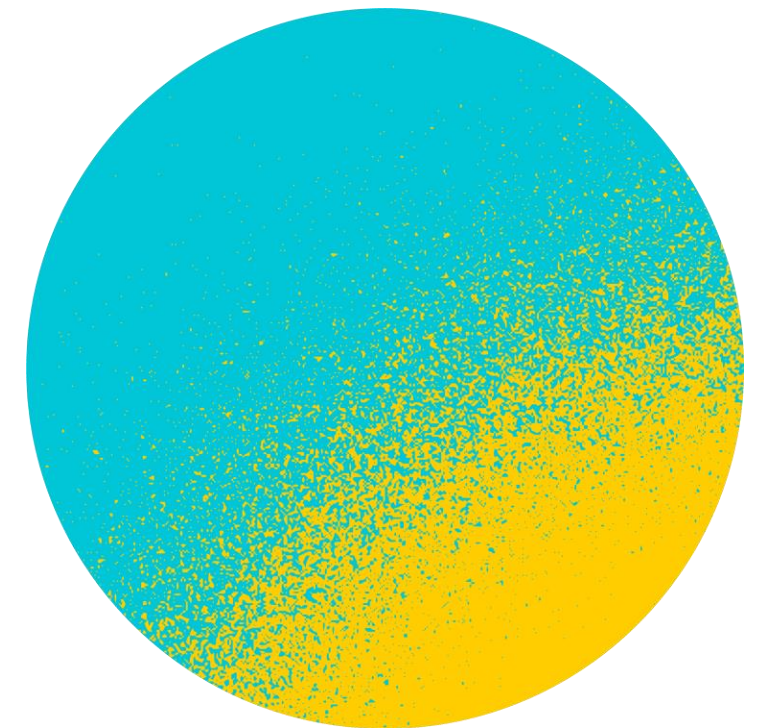


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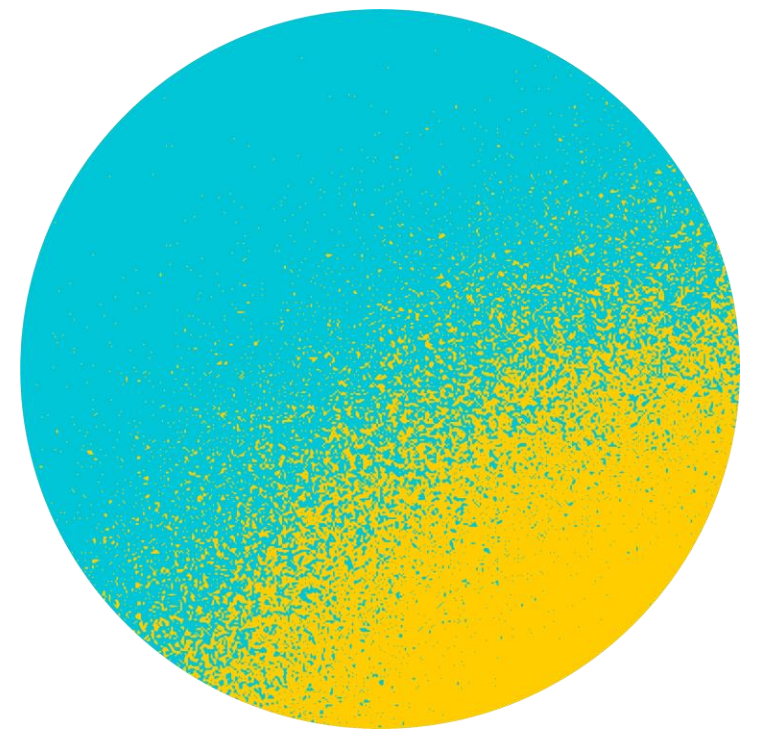
What extracurricular activities did you get involved in in UCSD?

[iEvents calendar](#)



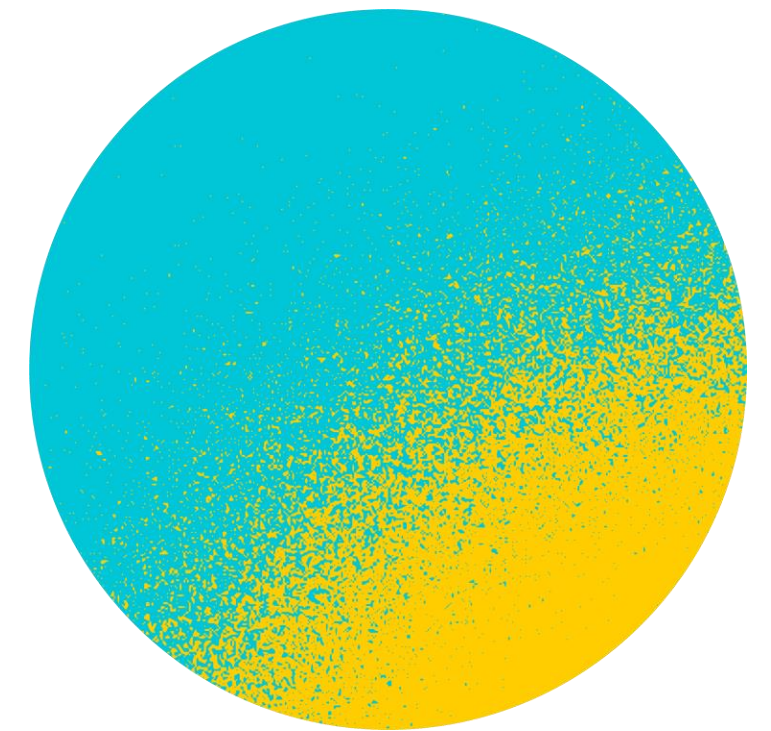
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What are things you regret not having done yet as a UC San Diego student?



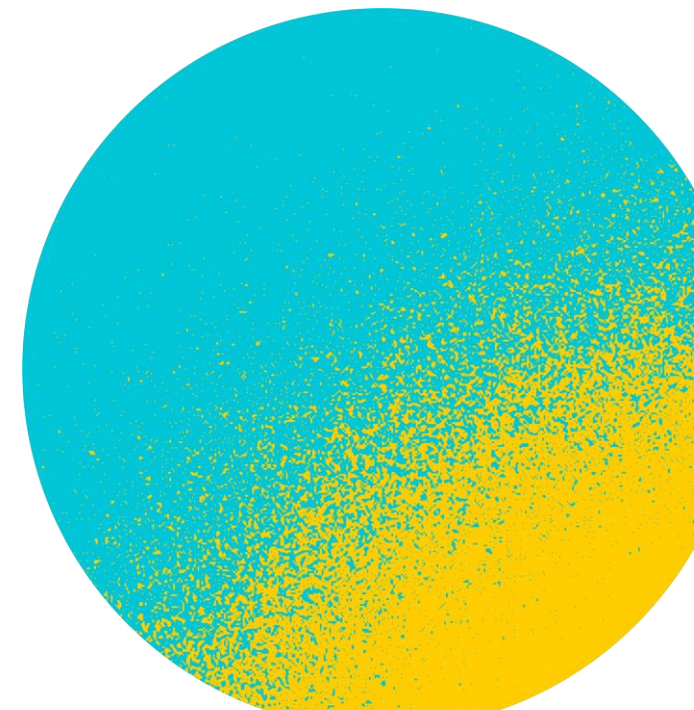
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What piece of advice would you give to incoming international students?



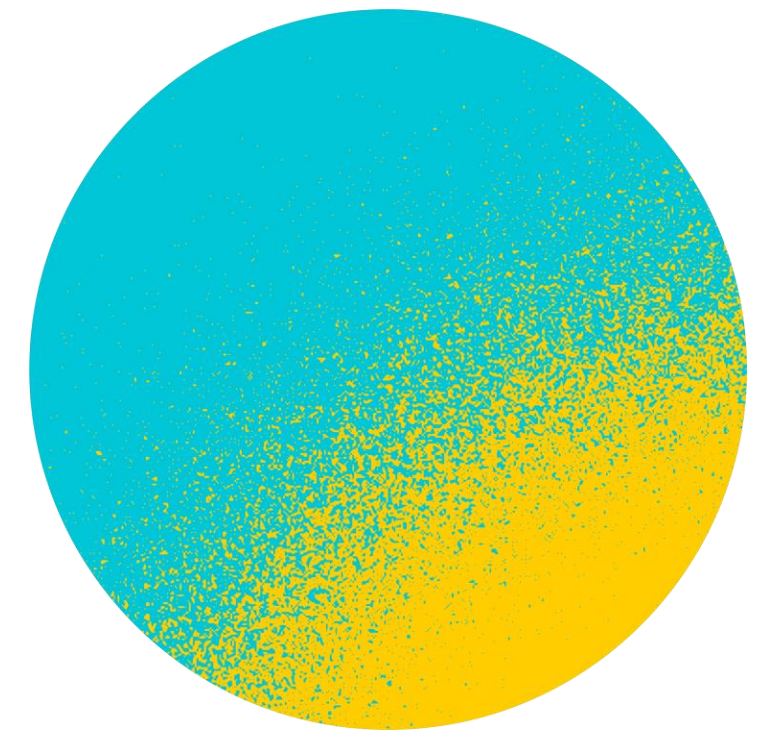
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What is the activity or place that one should not miss while being in San Diego/
UC San Diego?



Student Panel

Open Question & Answer

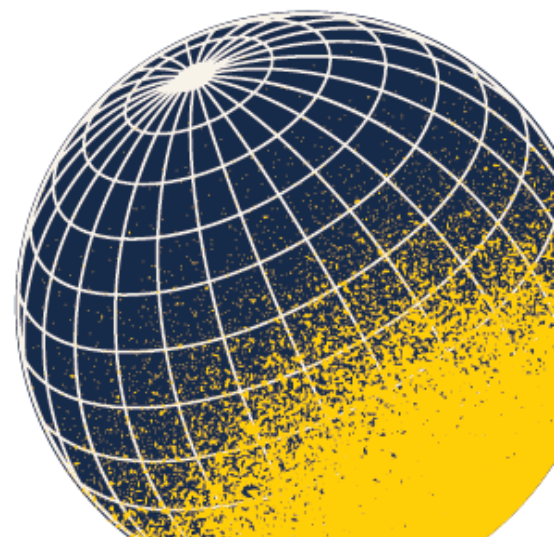


Additional Resources

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IMPORTANT DEADLINES & REMINDERS

NOW

Begin requesting your
visa documents via
iServices

Visit:
[iServices.ucsd.edu](https://iservices.ucsd.edu)

**Mid-
April**

Apply for on-campus
housing

Visit: hdh.ucsd.edu

June

Housing Application
Deadlines:

June 7 for First-Year
Students

June 7 for Transfer
Students

Visit: hdh.ucsd.edu

July

Deadline to submit health
immunization requirements
and complete OPHD training

Visit:
studenthealth.ucsd.edu

Sept

Tuition due

Move-In

Check-In

New International
Student Orientation

Visit:
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Upcoming Pre-Arrival Webinars

- **April 23:** Campus Safety
- **April 28:** Getting Set Up in the U.S. (Surf Check Live)
- **May 5:** SEVIS Transfer Process

All webinars will be recorded and posted at
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