



California State University, Monterey Bay is a residential campus with 7,200 students and an average class-size of just 20-30. Located within walking distance to some of the most beautiful beaches on earth, it is perfectly situated for learning and leisure. As a comprehensive university, CSUMB offers a wide variety of bachelor's and master's degrees, and multiple certificate and credential programs. CSUMB is a campus of the California State University, the largest 4-year public university system in the U.S. This means that students receive the educational resources of a large public institution, reasonable tuition afforded by a large public system, along with the comforts of a small, supportive campus environment.



The following information pertains to Exchange and Semester@CSUMB programs only. For information about degree and English language programs, please visit csumb.edu/international or contact international@csumb.edu

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INFORMATION FOR PARTNERS

csumb.edu/international/partner-portal

The CSUMB International Programs Partner Portal is a one-stop-shop for university & agent partners to quickly access information, forms, and assets including:

- Partner/program information forms
- Nomination form
- Program/application information
- View/download/order marketing materials (request free shipments of CSUMB materials!)
- Photo & video library
- View or subscribe to the "globe trOtter," the International Student newsletter
- Visitor information

HELP US SEND STUDENTS TO YOUR UNIVERSITY!

The outbound CSUMB Education Abroad program is growing rapidly, thanks to our successful world-wide partnerships! To provide the best advising to your future exchange students from CSUMB, we ask that you please complete our Partner Information Form, available at csumb.edu/international/partner-portal

If you would like to send us materials to promote your institution, please send them to:



CSUMB International Programs
100 Campus Center
Building 201, Suite 207
Seaside, CA 93933 USA



PROGRAM OPTIONS FOR VISITING STUDENTS

	International Exchange	Semester@CSUMB	Summer@CSUMB
Length of Stay	Semester or Year	Semester or Year	4 or 8 Weeks
Eligibility	Nominated for a tuition waiver by home institution (must be CSUMB Partner Institution)	Any interested student	Any interested student*
Credits	Min 12; Max 17	Min 12; Max 17	Min 3; Max 12 (depending on length of term)
Tuition**	Paid to home university, not CSUMB	Paid directly to CSUMB	Paid directly to CSUMB
Housing & Meal Plans	Paid directly to CSUMB***	Paid directly to CSUMB	Paid directly to CSUMB

ESTIMATED PROGRAM FEES (BY SEMESTER)

	International Exchange	Semester@CSUMB	Summer@CSUMB
Tuition	\$0	Fall 2018: \$5,600 Spring 2019: \$5,700	\$280 per unit
Campus Fees	\$250*	\$39	\$39
Health Insurance (required)	International students are automatically enrolled in mandatory Health Insurance, which is charged at cost to their student account each semester of their program. Details are available at csumb.edu/international/health		
Campus Housing	\$3,440 – \$5,740	\$3,440 – \$5,740	\$750 – \$3,200
Meal Plan (required for select housing options)	\$1,590 – \$2,040	\$1,590 – \$2,040	\$885 – \$1,800 (optional)

Costs are approximate, and may vary by housing availability, personal preference, and other circumstances. Prices are subject to change without notice.

**Beginning Fall 2019*

APPLICATION & REGISTRATION

Website for incoming students	csumb.edu/international
Semester dates	Fall: Late August – Mid December; Spring: Mid January – Mid May; Summer: Early June – Late July See all dates at csumb.edu/international/important-dates
Nomination procedure	Exchange coordinators and agents should visit csumb.edu/international/nomination to complete a basic nomination form for all interested students
Application procedure	<p>Students will apply through an online application system called Horizons. Visit csumb.edu/international/apply for all details.</p> <p>All students should be prepared to provide required supporting materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scanned copy of biographical page of passport • Financial affidavit (proof of financial ability to attend CSUMB) • Proof of English proficiency • Unofficial transcripts <p>After registering for a Horizons account, students should log in to the system and select “Search Programs.” Scroll to “CSUMB Incoming Programs” and select “Apply for” to choose the term. Students should complete the application, and will receive confirmation once the application has been received.</p>
Priority application deadline	Fall: April 1 of same year; Spring: October 1 of previous year; Summer: May 1 of same year CSUMB International Programs operates on a rolling application cycle , meaning that applications will be accepted continually on a space-available basis. For preferred housing and course selection, we recommend applying by the above dates.



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS & ACADEMICS

Admission requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good standing at current university or institution • Copy of transcripts in English (required for course placement) • No minimum grade point average (GPA) • No test scores required, except for English proficiency
Language proficiency	<p>Students must prove their proficiency in English by <i>any</i> of the following measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOEFL iBT score of 61, or paper-based score of 500 • IELTS score of 6.0 • PTE score of 45 • Proof of attending a school full-time where English is the primary language of instruction for at least three years immediately preceding admission to CSUMB • Currently pursuing a degree at another U.S. college or university • There may be other ways to meet English proficiency, as outlined in the contractual agreement between the institution/agency and CSUMB
Majors offered	<p>Biology; Business Administration; Cinematic Arts & Technology; Collaborative Health & Human Services; Communication Design; Computer Science; Environmental Science, Tech & Policy; Environmental Studies; Global Studies; Humanities & Communication; Human Development & Family Studies; Integrated Studies; Japanese Language & Culture; Kinesiology; Liberal Studies; Marine Science; Mathematics; Music; Nursing; Psychology; Social & Behavioral Sciences; Spanish Language & Hispanic Cultures; Sustainable Hospitality Management; Visual & Public Art. Learn more at csumb.edu/academics</p>
Courses available	<p>Courses can be found at csumb.edu/schedule</p>
Course enrollment procedure	<p>Cal State Monterey Bay is somewhat unique among California universities in that students will be enrolled in classes in advance of coming to campus.</p> <p>All information on advice for choosing classes and how to enroll can be found at csumb.edu/international/course-enrollment.</p>
Grading system	<p>CSUMB operates on the 4.0 U.S. grading system using the letter grades A, B, C, D, and F, where “A,” the top score, is equivalent to a 4.0, “B” = 3.0, “C” = 2.0, “D” = 1.0, “F” = 0.</p> <p>Some courses may also be taken as Credit/No Credit, which will not affect a student’s GPA.</p>
Course value/average course load	<p>Class value is denoted in terms of “credits” or “units” (these terms can be used interchangeably). A credit is equivalent to contact hours per week spent in class, e.g. 3 hours in class per week = 3 credit course.</p> <p>One (1) U.S. credit is roughly equivalent to two (2) European ECTS, though students should always work with academic advisors at home and at CSUMB to ensure credit transfer value. Students may take a minimum of 12 credits and a maximum of 17 credits each semester. A standard full-time course load is 15 credits.</p>

HOUSING & MEALS

On-campus housing	<p>International students who apply by the priority deadline are guaranteed space in on-campus housing. While placements in specific accommodations are not guaranteed, International Programs staff will honor student preferences when possible. Visiting international students are not required to live on campus, but most students choose to live on campus for convenience and cost.</p> <p>Once admitted, students will submit a separate housing application from the “My Housing” portal on their CSUMB Dashboard. Complete details are available at csumb.edu/international/housing-dining</p>
Housing options	<p>Housing options and rates can be compared at csumb.edu/international/housing-options</p>
Housing reservation deposit	<p>All students living on campus are responsible for paying a housing reservation deposit, which will be automatically applied to their first housing payment and a non-refundable \$40 application fee.</p>
Meal Plans	<p>If a student’s accommodation is not equipped with a kitchen, the student must purchase a meal plan, which can be used at any of CSUMB’s dining facilities. Students living in these accommodations are automatically enrolled in the least expensive meal plan, but may choose to subscribe to larger meal plans if desired. All details can be found at csumb.edu/dining</p>



PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Important dates	All important dates, including application deadlines, academic year start/end dates, and holidays can be found at csumb.edu/international/important-dates
Insurance	International students are automatically enrolled in mandatory Health Insurance, which is charged at cost of the third party provider. Details are available at csumb.edu/international/health
Arrival and orientation	<p>International students are expected to arrive to CSUMB earlier than their domestic classmates to allow time for acclimation and mandatory orientation activities.</p> <p>Students are responsible for arranging their own transportation to campus, and there are three convenient airports located near to CSUMB:</p> <p>Monterey Regional Airport (MRY): 20-minute taxi ride from campus. Taxis cost about \$45.</p> <p>San Jose International (SJC): About an hour from Monterey. Shuttle service is available through Monterey Airbus for approximately \$50. The airbus will drop students off directly on CSUMB's campus.</p> <p>San Francisco International (SFO): About 2 hours from Monterey. Shuttle service is available through Monterey Airbus for approximately \$60. The airbus will drop students off directly on CSUMB's campus.</p> <p>All details for arrival planning are available at csumb.edu/international/plan-your-arrival and details about move-in and orientation can be found at csumb.edu/international/move-orientation</p>
Making payments	<p>To assist students with making payments using foreign currency, CSUMB has contracted with a third-party vendor called 'Flywire,' which allows students to seamlessly make payments online in their own currency. This helps students to avoid credit card fees, and allows for refundable money (like the housing deposit) to be returned digitally, rather than receiving a U.S. paper check.</p> <p>All payment deadlines and details are available at csumb.edu/flywire</p>
Working as an international student	International students are eligible to work in the U.S. with certain restrictions based on type of employment and the visa category of the student. Please visit csumb.edu/international/working-international-student for full details.



Cal State Monterey Bay is conveniently located near some of the most famous attractions in the U.S.

- » 2.5 km to Monterey Bay beaches
- » 12 km to downtown Monterey
- » 50 km to Big Sur
- » 105 km to San Jose/Silicon Valley
- » 180 km to San Francisco
- » 500 km to LA/Hollywood/Disneyland

ABOUT MONTEREY BAY

Monterey Bay is a safe and supportive community with amazing scenery. The beaches are a short bike ride away from campus and are perfect for relaxation and recreation, while the redwood forests are ideal for camping and long hikes. Marine wildlife can be seen close by at any time of the year. The area has great shopping, an excellent aquarium, and is a major tourist destination. The campus is located in the center of the California coastline, providing students easy access to famous destinations like San Francisco, Silicon Valley, and Los Angeles.