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# English Language Programs & Pathways 2023





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# The FLS Advantage

Here are just a few reasons why FLS International offers international students an unbeatable learning and cultural experience:

- **Small class sizes** ensuring individual student attention
- College and university **placement assistance** at no additional charge
- Programs using the **immersion method** of language instruction emphasizing spoken English
- Structured **Pathway programs** to effectively prepare students for college entrance
- **Eighteen levels** of English study
- Unique **English Everywhere** program highlighting key curriculum points each week
- Experienced **academic counselors**
- Accreditation by **CEA (Commission on English Language Program Accreditation)**
- Centers located in **safe and secure** environments
- Monthly **Language Extension Day**, letting students use their English in new settings
- **Highly qualified teaching staff** with all faculty holding Master's Degrees or TESOL credentials

## WELCOME TO FLS

With globalization increasing, it's more important than ever to learn about other cultures. There's no better way to understand a new culture than by learning its language. This is what FLS International has been about for over 30 years.

By joining an FLS program, students improve their English, gain an understanding of other cultures and develop their independence. Studying overseas can be life-changing, leading students to challenge themselves, find their true passions and increase their personal growth.

As America's largest network of family-owned and operated language schools, FLS is proud of our excellent record of student satisfaction and client service. Our responsiveness to students ensures that FLS is your best choice for a unique and valuable American experience.

This year we are proud to announce the addition of many online study options for our students overseas. These courses bring you the same high-quality curriculum and expert teachers you expect from FLS along with the convenience of studying from home.

FLS invites you to create your own story!

Sincerely,

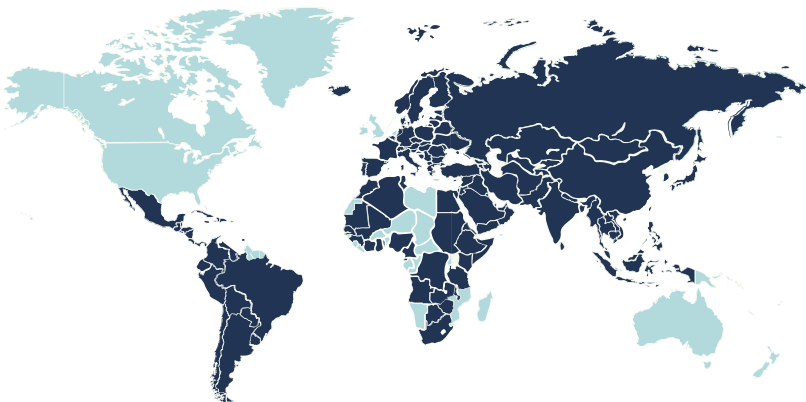


Francine Forman-Swain  
Director and Founder



# FLS by the Numbers

**37** YEARS OF SUPERIOR FLS EDUCATION PROGRAMS



**104**  
Countries sending students each year

NATIONALITY MIX	JAPAN	15%
	CHINA/TAIWAN	14%
	MIDDLE EAST	12%
	RUSSIA/EASTERN EUROPE	11%
	LATIN AMERICA	11%
	WESTERN EUROPE	10%
	BRAZIL	9%
	SOUTH KOREA	9%
	THAILAND	4%
	VIETNAM	4%
	OTHER	1%

**15**   
Languages spoken  
by FLS staff



**98.5%**  
Student satisfaction rate

**18**   
Levels  
of English

**5,000+**  
Students enrolled  
each year

**300+**  
Students transferring  
to colleges and  
universities every year

**10**   
Students in the  
average class

**150+**  
Partner institutions with  
transfer agreements

**3-5**   
Activities offered  
each week

**100%** FLS teachers with TESL Certificates or Master's Degrees

**100%** FLS schools offering volunteer experience every term

# Testimonials



This story might sound unbelievable, but it's true. A lot of native speakers are surprised I've been living in the US for only three years! FLS is what began it all. I feel so fortunate to have been here. Teachers have amazed and inspired me daily. Then, they helped me to grow! Look! I'm ready to fly now! They are really welcoming, friendly, and helpful. That's why I still visit my teachers even though I graduated from FLS three years ago! I'm thankful for all the FLS teachers and friends I met here. They changed my thought and gave me motivation to live in California. What can I do for FLS now? I can only say thank you!

—**Mariko, Past FLS Student (Japan)**

I have had a great time here and had lots of new and wonderful experiences with FLS. FLS students take all of their classes with qualified professional teachers who have Master's and PhD degrees. But even though I came here to learn English, if I took only classes in a classroom, I would get bored and lose interest. Fortunately FLS always prepares various activities for their students. The most impressive one that I have done recently is a field trip to test a new app. We went to a software company together and tested their new app and gave them our feedback. It was a great experience, because I could visit their office and get to know how they worked and developed their software. FLS always makes their students get interested and experience new things. Wonderful!

—**Sungmo Han (Korea)**



To view our video testimonials  
please **scan QR code** or **click here**.



I have been in many schools but at FLS International administration staff really cares if students do well and go to school. In other schools, they don't care if you come or not. I also like the fact that everything is well organized. On one hand, education is demanding and on a high level on the other, you can ask for non-standard things and they will be done. This is also the first time I have attended activities in any school and it was great to see that they actually care if we are having a good time...My progress is visible. I want to say something about homestay. The prices are affordable and they really listen to what you need. So you can live almost any way you like.

—**Abdalla, FLS Student (Saudi Arabia)**

Southern California is an amazing mix of diverse cultures that gives students an unforgettable exposure to many aspects of America. At FLS you will be part of a supportive community that will help you to be a better English speaker, grow as a person, and make progress toward your life goals.

—**Dr. Brent Davis, FLS Instructor (Citrus Campus)**  
Ph.D. in Speech Science and Technology, USC

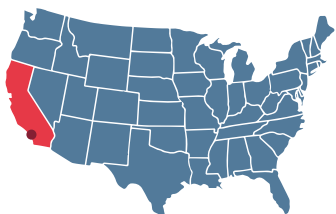




# Citrus College



## LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA



### WEATHER

- Summer Avg: 28°C
- Winter Avg: 18°C



### CAMPUS FACILITIES

- Cafeteria
- Computer Lab
- Free Wi-Fi
- Golf Range
- Library
- Tennis Courts
- Track & Field
- Smartboards

Los Angeles is a trend-setting global metropolis with a fascinating history and rich cultural heritage. The “City of Angels” is home to picture-perfect beaches and 75 miles of sunny coastline. Regarded as the entertainment capital of the world, Los Angeles is home to legendary Hollywood movie studios, responsible for the most popular movies in the world. L.A. also boasts a thriving theater, music and gallery scene. Celebrities can often be seen shopping the streets of Beverly Hills, including the world-famous Rodeo Drive.

Located in Los Angeles County near the foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains, Citrus College offers a combination of suburban comfort along with access to all of L.A.’s attractions. Having served students for over 100 years, Citrus College is one of California’s first colleges and continues to expand its educational mission.

After completing their studies at Citrus College, students can transfer to prestigious institutions such as UCLA to complete their degrees.

**School Type:** Community College

**Enrollment:** 14,000



### PROGRAMS OFFERED

- Core English
- General English
- Intensive English
- Academic English
- TOEFL Preparation
- High School Completion
- Discover California



UPP Partner School

# Citrus College (contd.)



## POPULAR MAJORS

- History
- Business Administration
- Liberal Arts
- Psychology
- Visual & Performing Arts



## ACCOMMODATIONS

- **Homestay**  
Minimum age: 15  
16 meals per week



## EXPLORING & GETTING AROUND



### ACTIVITIES

- Disneyland
- Universal Studios
- Hollywood
- Downtown L.A.
- Old Town Pasadena



### TRANSPORTATION

- Bus: Foothill Transit on campus
- Light rail: Metro Gold Line adjacent to campus



### AIRPORT PICKUP

- Los Angeles International Airport (LAX)
- Distance: 67km

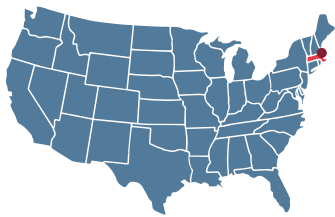




# Boston Commons



## BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS



### WEATHER

- Summer Average: 21°C
- Winter Average: 6°C



### CAMPUS FACILITIES

- Student Kitchen
- Free Wi-Fi
- Smartboards
- Student Lounge



### PROGRAMS OFFERED

- Core English
- General English
- Intensive English
- Academic English
- TOEFL Preparation
- IELTS Preparation
- SAT Preparation
- Study 30+
- Executive Business English
- Concurrent Enrollment
- High School Completion
- Business Certificate Program
- Discover Boston

One of America's most attractive cities, Boston offers a unique blend of historical sites, such as the fascinating Freedom Trail, and modern attractions, like the innovative Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Considered America's education capital, Boston hosts the world's largest college student population. Prestigious universities such as Harvard, MIT, Tufts and the University of Massachusetts are just a few of the many educational institutions in and around the city. Boston is also home to some of the best sports teams in the nation, giving students an opportunity to catch the Red Sox at Fenway Park or experience American football at a New England Patriots game.

Our Boston Commons center is ideally located in the bustling Downtown district, overlooking America's oldest park, Boston Common, considered by local residents to be the heart and pulse of the city. Students can step outside to hop on the subway at centrally located Park Street station or stroll across the park for picturesque views of the Massachusetts State House.

Our partner agreements with numerous nearby colleges and universities give students many options for pursuing a Bachelor's or Master's degree after completing their studies at Boston Commons.

**School Type:** Downtown city center

**Enrollment:** 150



UPP Partner School



# Boston Commons (contd.)



## POPULAR MAJORS

- Business Administration
- Public Administration
- Health Sciences
- Psychology
- Communications



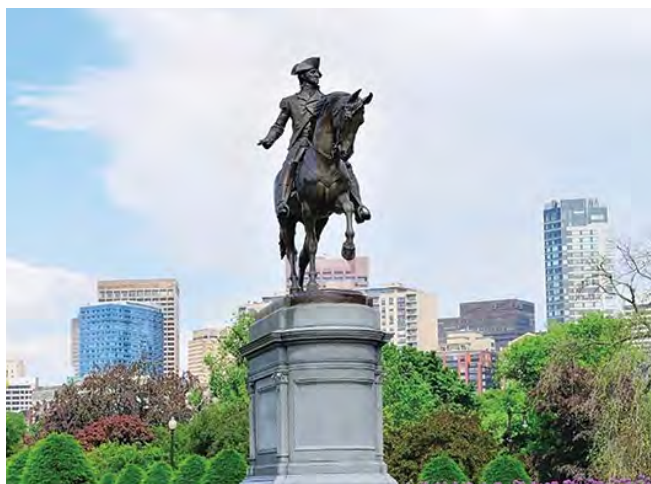
## VOLUNTEERING

- Community Servings
- Haley House
- Greater Boston Food Bank



## ACCOMMODATIONS

- **Homestay**  
Minimum age: 15  
16 meals per week
- **International Guest House**  
Minimum age: 16  
14 meals per week



## EXPLORING & GETTING AROUND



### ACTIVITIES

- Harvard University & Harvard Square
- Six Flags New England
- Museum of Fine Arts
- Boston Red Sox Games
- Newbury Street Shopping



### LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

- **Subway:** Steps away from the campus
- **Bus:** Covers the Greater Boston area
- **Rail:** Connects Boston to neighboring cities



### AIRPORT PICKUP

- Boston Logan International Airport (BOS)  
Distance: 6km



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# Overview of FLS Levels

Our curriculum includes the perfect course for students at all levels of English proficiency, from beginner to near-native ability. Each FLS Level requires four weeks to complete. Check the chart below to see how you can expect to progress!

	FLS Level	Proficiency Outcomes	Correlations			
			TOEFL	IELTS	TOEIC	CEFR
Beginner	1 & 2	Students can make introductions, talk about daily activities and talk about clothes and food.	1-12	0 - 1.0	0 - 125	Pre-A1
	3 & 4	Students can talk about travel, vacations, shopping and families. Students can make comparisons, accept invitations and write short descriptions.	13 - 18	1.5	130 - 250	A1
	5 & 6	Students can talk about social media, accommodations, superstitions and predictions. Students can make commands, discuss possibilities and describe past events.	19 - 32	2.0 - 2.5	255 - 325	A2
Intermediate	7 & 8	Students can talk about traditions, special events, personal goals, and report conversations. Students can discuss hobbies, legends, reported events and hypothetical events.	33 - 41	3.0 - 3.5	330 - 395	B1
	9 & 10	Students can discuss personality types, sports, psychology, the environment and education. Students can write several connected paragraphs and read a young adult novel.	42 - 48	4.0	400-495	B1+
	11 & 12	Students can express regret and encouragement, discuss job qualifications, global issues and personal strengths and weaknesses. Students can write a brief essay and read a short novel.	49 - 61	4.5 - 5.0	500-585	B2
Advanced	13 & 14	Students can infer meaning, synthesize information from different sources and analyze an opinion. Students can understand authentic news broadcasts, summarize research and take accurate notes.	62 - 76	5.5 - 6.0	590-675	B2+
	15 & 16	Students can deal politely with disagreement, discuss solutions to challenging issues, and take part in a professional meeting. Students can read a novel used in college coursework and write a brief business proposal.	77 - 91	6.5 - 7.0	680-765	C1
	17 & 18	Students can discuss hopes and fears, beliefs, statistics, memory and innovation. Students can use persuasive techniques, employ academic strategies and skills and read material used in advanced college coursework.	92 - 120	7.5 - 9.0	770-990	C2



# Exclusive Features

FLS is truly like no other language school, with unsurpassed customer service and an outstanding curriculum. Check out some of our unique features!

## CUSTOM TEXTBOOKS



Many levels use Patterns, our own custom-made textbooks, developed specifically with FLS students in mind. These texts use a modular format that allows students to master new English concepts, vocabulary terms and grammar skills each week. Throughout the texts, students meet characters who encounter different aspects of American culture brought to life through audio and video elements.

A new unit is covered each week, including many chances for student interaction and concluding with a project in which students prepare and present material to the class.

This contemporary, interactive series helps students take their English to impressive new levels!

## ENGLISH EVERYWHERE

English Everywhere centers on the **Hot Sheet**, a quick reference for all the key language points for that week.

Each Hot Sheet focuses on a different theme, with conversation starters, songs and movies that explore the theme in greater detail. Students are encouraged to keep their Hot Sheets with them and refer to them throughout the week.

With FLS International, you really can learn English *Everywhere*!



## CONCIERGE SERVICE


Our staff truly goes the extra mile to ensure that each student has the best possible experience. School personnel are well-versed in helping students adjust to life in the United States, whether it's opening a bank account, finding a great restaurant or getting a driver's license.


Because FLS operates all of our own school services, we're able to take quick, responsive action to student requests. If a student has concerns about housing, an activity, or any school-related issue, we have personnel available around the clock, ready to quickly and effectively address the matter.

# English Language-Pathway Programs



 Integrated Skills Core Class

 Elective Class

 Test Prep Class

 Executive Business

 General Business English (Elective)

## Academic English Program

**30 lessons per week** : 5 daily hours of study

3

2

The FLS Academic English Program is perfect for the student who wants to improve their English skills as quickly as possible and get on the right track for college and university success! This program offers the most lessons per week available at FLS. Students are able to enroll in the full-range of courses offered. The program includes the core English class and two electives. Students in the Academic English Program also have access to our Test Preparation courses.

## Intensive English Program

**24 lessons per week**: 4 daily hours of study

3

1

Our popular Intensive English Program offers a well-rounded learning experience for students who have varied English goals, allowing students access to a wide range of FLS electives in order to provide a more versatile experience. The program includes the core English class and one elective.

## General English Program

**18 lessons per week**: 3 daily hours of study

3

For those looking for a part-time study option, our Core English Program offers the perfect schedule, blending the study of English fundamentals with ample time to experience the many local attractions and destinations. The program includes one core class. This program is not available to students on an F-1 Visa.

**NOTE: Each lesson lasts 50 minutes**



Students not resident in the United States or not on an F-1 student visa may join our in-person classes virtually.



## Test Preparation Programs

**36 lessons per week** : 5 daily hours of study

3

2

Standardized tests are a critical step on the road to success for most international students. Many universities, graduate programs, and employers require these tests as part of their application process. The program includes one core class, two hours of test preparation, and one academic workshop. Each course provides the student with the necessary skills and practice to achieve success on the chosen exam. ***Please see page 19 for detailed descriptions.***



## Executive Business English Program

**30 lessons per week** : 4 daily hours of study

3

1

Improve your Business English in one of America's financial capitals: Boston! Our Executive Business English Program is designed for professionals who need to learn English for business purposes and who have limited time to study. Our program includes one core class as well as five one-to-one Business English classes every week, where we work with students to rapidly increase their skills in finance, negotiation, marketing, or another topic of their choice.



## CLASS DESCRIPTIONS:

### CORE CLASS

Our Core Class is the foundation of our English Language Program and is offered in 18 levels, from beginner to proficient. Each level provides integrated instruction and practice in the four major language skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing. Students who complete Level 14 are eligible for transfer to many partner colleges and universities. Each level lasts 4 weeks and includes 60 hours of instruction.

### SAMPLE ELECTIVES

Our elective classes allow students to focus on specific important skills and topics and improve their areas of weakness. Here are just a few of the many electives we offer. Each class lasts 8 weeks and includes 40 hours of instruction.

- Conversation
- American Culture
- Critical Thinking
- Business English
- Practical Grammar
- Slang and Idiomatic Speech
- Public Speaking
- English Through Film

# Online Programs

All FLS Online Programs feature live instruction with experienced teachers in small group classes! Wondering if you're prepared? Don't worry. All FLS English classes are offered in 18 different levels from beginner to advanced. The essential English course is a great way to get a head start on your in-person program. Then, look to our other courses to further advance your skills!



## **FLS PATHWAY, TEST PREPARATION, HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS ONLINE:**

For those unable to travel to attend our in-person classes, FLS provides you the opportunity to join our classes virtually! Take part in live instruction and interact with your classmates through a live link to our in-person classes. Our Online Pathway option lets you experience the full benefit of our courses from the comfort of your home.



# Tutoring with FLS

Sometimes students need classes tailored to their individual goals and learning style. Other times, students need classes that work around their schedule. Private tutoring is the perfect solution!



Our tutoring programs cover any subject or need including the following:

- Test preparation for the TOEFL, IELTS, SAT, GRE, and GMAT
- Homework assistance in all subjects K-12 and University
- Business English
- Accent Reduction
- Math
- Science
- Languages including English, Spanish, French, Chinese, Japanese and more

Each student will complete an assessment about their needs, goals and preferences in order to be matched with the perfect tutor. All FLS Tutors have previous teaching experience, and many hold advanced degrees.



## IN-PERSON

Students can arrange in-person, one-on-one tutoring near either our Boston or Los Angeles locations.

## ONLINE

Students who prefer online tutoring or cannot attend our campuses can arrange online tutoring from anywhere in the world through a private web conference.

# High School Completion



An American high school diploma can provide so many opportunities! But many international students don't have the time or resources to attend a U.S. high school and are looking for alternatives. There are also students who want to add a diploma from the U.S. to their current credentials.

Now, at FLS, students can earn high school credit, complete their high school studies and earn their diploma. FLS and Penn Foster High School have joined forces to offer this program specially designed to put students on the track to high school success.

Penn Foster is a fully accredited school founded in 1890. Their diploma is accredited and accepted

by colleges and universities across the United States. For two hours each day, students in the High School Completion program work with our supportive teaching staff and follow a customized curriculum to meet the exact requirements needed to complete their diploma.

Students come away with greater confidence in their academic ability and the skills needed to move on to college coursework!

## IN-PERSON OPTION

- Student must complete FLS Level 12 (or test above level 12 upon arrival)
- Student will study a full-time program of four hours per day in FLS English classes
- Student will take an additional two hours per day of customized high school coursework
- Available at all FLS centers
- Average class size: 5

## ONLINE OPTION

- Student must achieve FLS level 12 on proficiency test or demonstrate comparable proficiency
- Student will study two hours per day of customized high school coursework
- Students may add additional online English study as needed
- Classes offered at convenient times
- Average class size: 5

## PERSONALIZED COURSE OPTION

- Student must achieve FLS level 12 on proficiency test or demonstrate comparable proficiency
- Curriculum will be personalized based on a student assessment
- Student can schedule classes in-person or online at any time according to their own schedule
- Average class size: private



*For In-Person Option we strongly recommend students bring their own laptop to facilitate their studies. If students do not have a laptop, FLS will provide one for use in the classroom.*



# Test Preparation Programs

Standardized tests are an important step on the road to success for most international students. Many universities, graduate programs and employers require minimum scores on these tests as part of their application process. All FLS test preparation programs are led by experienced teachers who use proven curriculum and provide personalized ongoing feedback. Because of this, we're sure our programs will help you achieve your best score!

## IN-PERSON OPTION

- Student must complete the required FLS level (or test above the level upon arrival)
- Student will study a full-time program of four hours per day in FLS English classes. Student will study an additional two hours per day of test preparation coursework
- Average class size: 5

## ONLINE OPTION

- Student must achieve the required level on the proficiency test or demonstrate comparable proficiency
- Student will study two hours per day of test preparation coursework
- Students may add additional online English study as needed
- Student can join live group classes online at the same time as in-person classes (see the schedule on our website for current availability)
- Average class size: 5

## PERSONALIZED COURSE OPTION

- Student must achieve the required level on the proficiency test or demonstrate comparable proficiency
- Student will study two hours per day of test preparation coursework
- Student may add additional English study
- Student can schedule in-person classes at a time that works for them
- Student can schedule online classes at a time that works for them
- Average class size: private

TEST PROGRAM	OPTIONS
<b>TOEFL</b> The TOEFL test challenges students to analyze and synthesize academic passages and use advanced discourse. Our program will give students test-taking strategies and enhance their ability at making inferences, synthesizing information, finding factual material and analyzing reading passages.	Requires FLS Level 9 proficiency. Available at FLS Citrus, FLS Boston Commons and Online
<b>IELTS</b> IELTS is a popular test used by employers and colleges to measure English proficiency. Our program provides students with the skills to understand native speakers, follow the development of an idea, find the main idea, interpret points of view and discuss abstract ideas.	Requires FLS Level 9 proficiency. Available at FLS Boston Commons and online.
<b>SAT</b> The SAT is the most commonly taken test for U.S. students entering college. Our program provides students with an understanding of the test structure and improves their ability to analyze written passages, understand key academic vocabulary, use standard writing conventions and solve problems in data analysis and algebra.	Requires FLS Level 13 Proficiency. Available at FLS Boston Commons and online.



For the adult learner looking for a more mature educational environment, FLS is pleased to present Study 30+. Located in the center of historic, cosmopolitan Boston, our program surrounds participants with supportive teachers, students with similar backgrounds and the stimulating environment of America's educational capital.

Studying with other adult English learners from around the world, students share experiences, make new connections and have the opportunity to explore Boston's fascinating cultural and sightseeing attractions. Students can visit Harvard University, experience a baseball game at Fenway Park or enjoy the collection at the Museum of Fine Arts. They are all an easy subway ride from our center!

We offer the flexibility for students to pick the schedule they prefer from two options:

1. **Core English:** 3 hours of study per day
2. **General English:** 4 hours of study per day

## OUR PROGRAM INCLUDES:



**Daily English study** with other students age 30 and over



Access to free **conversation clubs** and **volunteer activities**



Carefully selected **American homestay** families, ideally suited for mature students OR **shared student residence** accommodation\*



**Concierge services**, including a **dedicated housing staff, airport transfers**, and **counselors** to assist you in exploring all that Boston has to offer.



Optional **One-to-one tutoring** or **small group tutoring** for concentrated practice in the skills most valuable to you. Options include accent reduction, test preparation, English for business, and more.\*



Average **class size of 10** students



The program is available from 1-4 weeks. Start any Monday in February, May, or September.



Optional **weekday and weekend activities**, including art galleries, beer and wine tasting, concerts, and musicals.\*

\* available upon request, additional fees may apply



# Volunteering Opportunities



**Now more than ever, students are looking for ways to reach out and contribute to the community around them.**

Volunteering is not only a chance to assist others and connect with the community, but is also a great way to meet Americans and gain valuable real-world experience.

Selective colleges and universities are searching for well-rounded candidates when making admission decisions. Having experience in community assistance programs is an excellent way to round out a student's background and show their diverse interests. Not only that, but volunteering often provides memorable experiences that can last a lifetime.



FLS has carefully selected the perfect volunteer opportunities for international students. Participants in the program will gain practice in speaking English and valuable insights into American culture in a structured environment.

Each FLS center offers unique volunteer opportunities based on the specific requirements of their community. We work with organizations from food banks and women's shelters to schools and convalescent homes, offering a wide range of experiences.

Best of all, students enrolled in FLS classes can participate in these opportunities at no additional charge!

# Concurrent Enrollment

For students who want to get a head start on earning a Bachelor's Degree, FLS has the perfect opportunity!



Our Concurrent Enrollment option allows students to earn transferable college credit while continuing to improve their English skills.

When students reach the required level, our counselors will work closely with them to choose appropriate classes that match the student's individual interests, academic plan and English proficiency level.

Students will then be enrolled in a semester-long class, studying side-by-side with American students. Students will not only be able to earn college credit, but gain the invaluable experience of taking a complete college course at an American institution.

Students may participate at several host campuses and partner institutions , including Citrus College, Cambridge College and UCLA Extension.

## REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS:

- Students must have the English proficiency level required by their chosen campus
- Students must enroll at the beginning of the semester and complete the course to earn credit
- Students may choose from a range of selected undergraduate courses
- F-1 students must maintain full-time enrollment (GE or above) at FLS while participating in this program



Contact your FLS representative for more details about currently available concurrent enrollment options!



# Accommodation Options:



## HOMESTAY:

Staying with an American host family is one of the best ways for students to improve their English quickly and effectively. Living with a host family allows students to experience the American lifestyle at a personal level. Students participate in family activities, practice their English with family members and build long-lasting connections and relationships.

Welcoming homestays are available at all FLS campuses. Each home is located within easy travel distance of the campus and provides a comfortable and friendly environment. For most students,

FLS recommends our twin room homestay option: Two students with different native languages share a bedroom, providing additional opportunities for English practice. A single room option is also available.

## EACH HOMESTAY INCLUDES:



14 meals per week (breakfast and dinner each weekday; breakfast, lunch and dinner on weekends)



Access to laundry facilities in the home



A place to study



Wi-Fi Internet



Access to all family common areas

## STUDENT RESIDENCE / INTERNATIONAL GUEST HOUSE (IGH):

Students attending our language center in Boston have the option to live in the International Guest House, located within a short walk or subway ride from our school. The International Guest House (IGH), in Boston's historic and charming Back Bay, is nestled between quaint shops and cafes. It provides easy access to iconic Boston landmarks such as Fenway Park, the Charles River Esplanade, and the Boston Public Library.

Rooms are shared with 1-3 other students. The IGH provides breakfast and dinner daily, has free Wi-Fi throughout the building, and has laundry facilities on site.

### International guest house includes:

- Study Areas
- Student Lounges
- Laundry Facilities
- 14 meals per week (Cafeteria/Dining Hall)
- Free Wi-Fi
- Linen Service
- Cleaning Service



**Note: IGH fees are invoiced separately and paid directly to IGH**

# Universal Placement Program

Universal Placement Program (UPP) is the placement division of FLS International. Our mission is to help you get into the best schools in the USA. For over 30 years we have helped thousands of students to gain admission to high schools, community colleges, top ranked universities, graduate programs, and specialty schools. Our simple and fast service ensures you access to achieve your educational dreams!

Our placement and support packages include school and student matching, scholarship searches, application preparation, and essay review. Our ASY is an all-inclusive package, so you don't need to worry about your tuition or living expenses. With our exclusive UP-50 and UP-100 packages, we can provide tutoring and academic monitor services to guarantee you admission to the top schools in the US.

## **I'm looking for a high school.**

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UPP partners with over 40 top high schools for grades 9-12 with both boarding and homestay options.

## **I want to go to a good university but my English (or GPA) is not great.**

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UPP has over 100 pathway partners including over 80 that accept FLS level completion instead of the TOEFL or IELTS exam. You can study English at FLS or one of our on-campus ESL partners. Even if your grades are poor, we can get you conditional offers to universities before you leave your home country. Our UP-50 and UP-100 programs provide tutoring and academic support to guarantee your placement to a top university.

## **My English and GPA are fine. I want a top-ranked school!**

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UPP has many top-ranked universities and programs. If you already have a good TOEFL or IELTS score and a strong GPA, we can help with direct admission into a great program.

## **I'm interested in graduate programs.**

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We have a wide variety of graduate schools offering the most popular majors such as MBA, Computer Science, Engineering, Big Data, and Health Sciences. Additionally, nearly all of our programs offer opportunities for CPT, OPT, and internships with American companies.

## **I'm looking for a special program.**

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UPP partners with a number of "Specialty Schools" offering diverse programs including Acting, Culinary Arts, Fashion Design, Creative Design, Music Performance, Flight Training, and even Professional Golf!

## **Do you offer scholarships?**

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We certainly do! Many of the UPP schools have a variety of scholarship options for international students. Requirements are usually based on GPA, English ability, nationality, and essay submission. Add a scholarship search to your placement package and let us find the best scholarship options for you!

## **I need help with housing.**

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At many of our UPP schools, we offer the Academic School Year (ASY) program, which allows students to reside in single room accommodation during their academic term. ASY also includes tuition pre-payment, 24/7 emergency support, and airport transfer service upon arrival. ASY lets you leave the details to us while you concentrate on your studies.

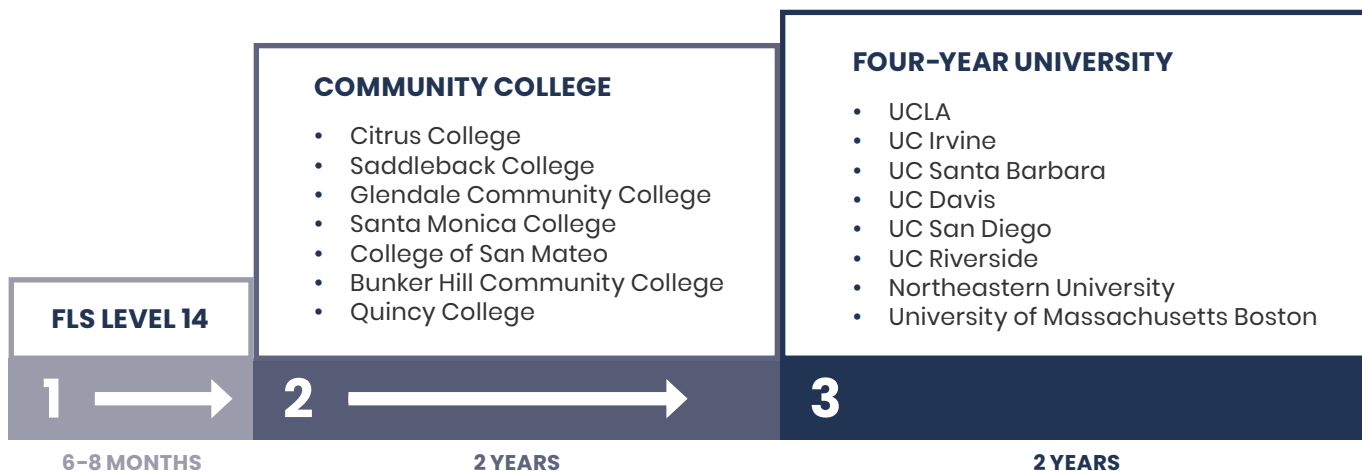


# Pathways at FLS

There are many different pathways to take to earn an American university degree. FLS International works with each student to find the best path based on the student's background, interests and goals.

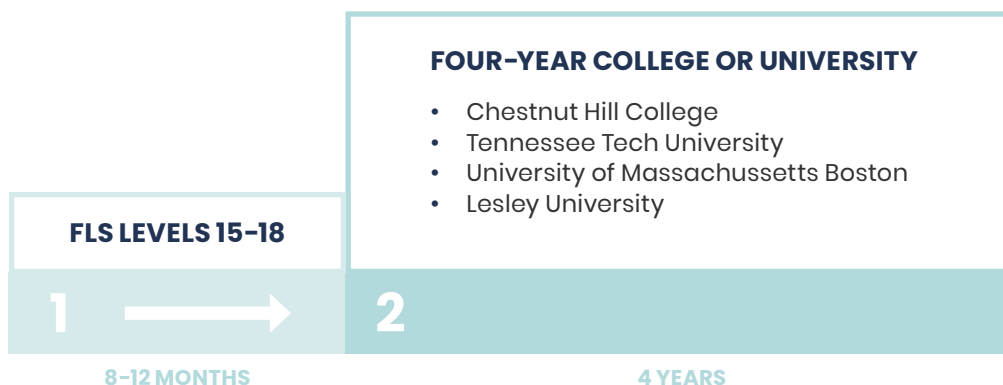
## SAMPLE PATHWAYS-CLASSIC PLAN

### Three Step Options



Students begin their educational journey at an **FLS center** where students will improve their English proficiency and gain the skills needed to succeed in the American academic system. Students who complete Level 14 may then transfer to a community college and complete an Associates' Degree. Afterwards, students can transfer to a four-year university to complete a Bachelor's Degree.

### Two Step Options



Students with strong academic skills may choose to complete a more advanced FLS level (15-18, depending upon school) and transfer directly to a 4-year college or university. Our partner institutions work closely with FLS to ensure that students have a seamless transfer.

# ASY-Academic School Year



Our Academic School Year (ASY) program is a safe and simple way to ensure your student has the best start and support to their academic program. Offered only at select UPP partner schools, the ASY program is an exclusive service through UPP. Students can concentrate on their studies while UPP handles the details of their tuition and housing.

The ASY services begin before the students leave their home countries, with housing arranged in a local, carefully screened American family located near the university. Students are met by a UPP representative at their arrival airport, and taken to their new home, with all check-in details completed in advance. Students arrive at their selected school with full-time tuition and mandatory fees pre-paid. All they need to do is select their courses and begin their academic adventure! Finally, UPP staff is standing by 24/7 on a dedicated emergency support line if the student has any difficulties.

## **THE ASY PROGRAM INCLUDES:**

- Full tuition and mandatory fees
- Single room homestay in a carefully selected local American family
- Half-board
- Airport Transfer upon arrival
- 24/7 dedicated support line

# UP-50 / UP-100

Guaranteed Acceptance to Top Universities. Take your studies to a higher level, with the UP University Placement Service!



For students looking to study in America's top universities, there can be confusion about prerequisites, required test scores, and deadlines. Admission to top universities requires students to maintain a high GPA, carefully prepare their applications, and meet critical deadlines. UPP, with our vast network of partner schools, provides clarity and eliminates the uncertainties while helping students maintain the GPA they need to ensure acceptance to America's top schools. Through the UP-50 and UP-100 program we can guarantee admission to a top-50 or top-100 ranked university\*.

## HOW IT WORKS

The Pathway begins by studying for two years in a California Community College. After two years students then transfer to a Top 50 or Top 100 University. Our specialized university advisors work with students to select and apply to the students' dream schools. Students with a GPA of 3.25 and higher are guaranteed admission to a top 50 university and students with a GPA below 3.25 are guaranteed admission to a top 100 University. Your final diploma will be from a top-ranked US university!

## THE UPP ADVANTAGE

UPP doesn't just put you on the pathway to top schools, but guides you every step of the way. Here are just some of the benefits we provide students who sign up for our UP-50 and UP-100 programs:

- Weekly tutoring - UPP will provide expert tutoring in the student's needed subject areas
- Academic monitoring - Student performance and milestones can be monitored to ensure that all requirements are met on time
- 2 academic activities/field trips per semester
- Weekly meetings with admissions advisors (during the 2nd year)
- Discounted tuition for the FLS English Language Program for students who choose to enroll in an ESL program prior to starting their academic journey
- Students already using UPP's ASY receive a discounted rate to the UP-50 and UP-100 programs

\*(as ranked by US News & World Report annual rankings)



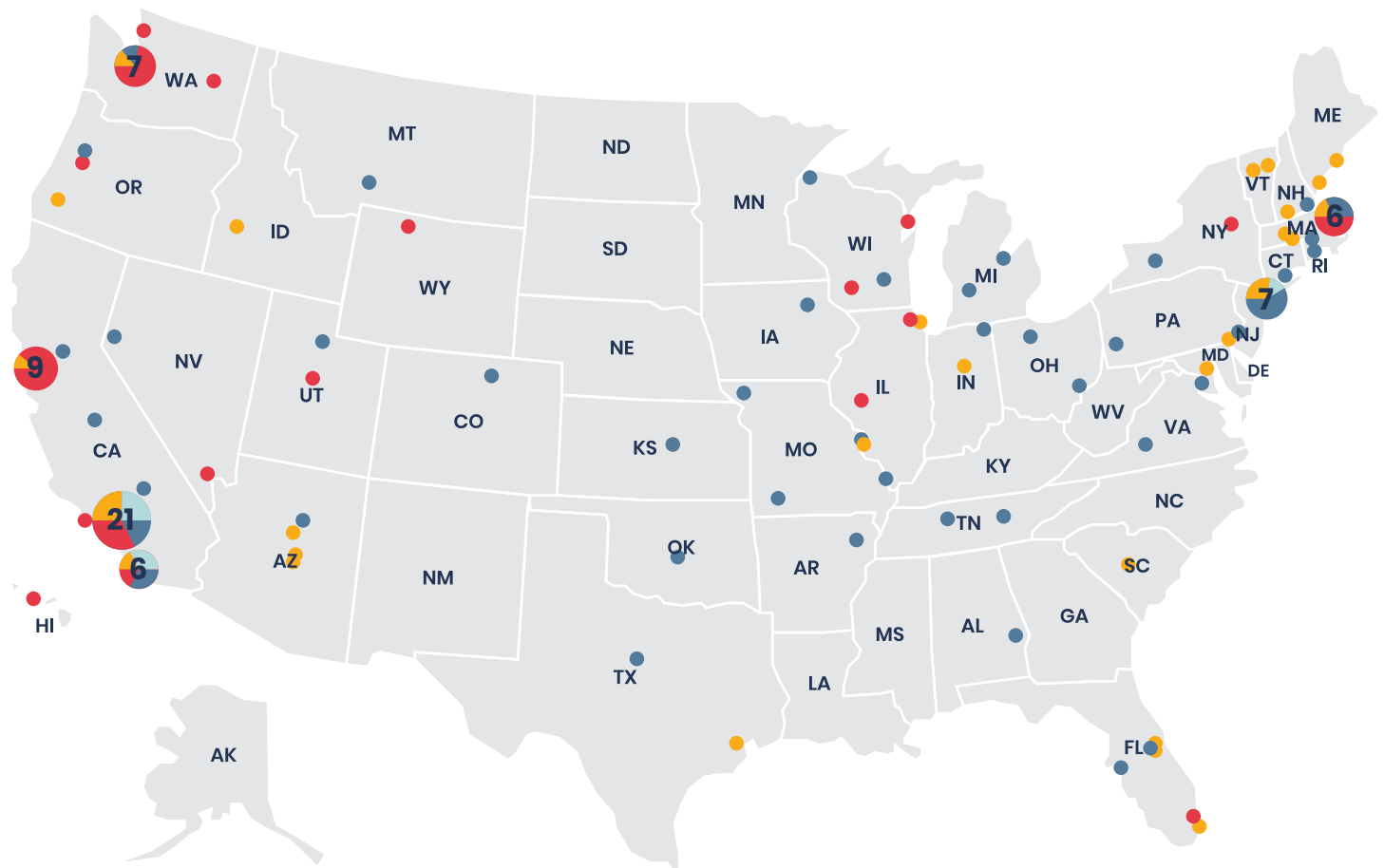
# High School Programs



Get the most authentic learning experience possible by studying at one of UPP's exclusive partner high schools! With a wide range of specialty programs, including the International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement, and honors courses, UPP high school partners have options for every student. Whether you are an athlete interested in one of the many sports teams at our partner schools, or trying to hone your academic profile with more competitive courses, our UPP team will find the perfect learning environment for all of your needs. Besides the academic advantages of studying abroad at one of our partner high schools, you will have the opportunity to learn about American culture, food, and fun! Studying at a UPP high school is an immersive way to make lifelong friends while also preparing for university.

We work with exclusive prep schools with a proven record of placing their graduates into top programs in the United States. Each UPP high school partner offers more than academic excellence. You will have the opportunity to become a part of a thriving school community through many specialized and unique programs such as varsity sports, theater arts, model UN programs, NASA clubs, and even Olympic-category sports! When it comes to helping you prepare for your future, you can rest assured that with a UPP high school partner you will have academic support every step of the way. Students have access to individual counseling to discuss university application and admission standards, as well as guidance on building a competitive and personalized university application portfolio.

# UPP Partner Schools:



## STUDENT TESTIMONIALS



I never thought I would be able to study in the US, let alone at a top university! Thanks to the UPP advising team, I was able to quickly choose the best schools for me to apply to, gather all the required documents, and get accepted really fast. When I heard that I had been accepted by Purdue University, I could not believe it! Besides all the counseling I got from the academic team, I also was given information on scholarship searches and practical knowledge about moving to the US for school. I'm so excited to start my university classes this Fall.

—Chawin (Thailand)

Using UPP, I got a lot of helpful information about colleges in the US from the UPP team. UPP understood my English level very well, so they recommended the most suitable college based on what I wanted to study and my future pathway. Moreover, they helped my admission procedure, and I was able to enroll in the college for the semester I wanted. I may not have been able to do it so smoothly only by myself. I'm so grateful for their support. I was able to start at Bunker Hill Community College, and next year I will transfer to University of Massachusetts, Boston.

—Chiyuki



# Preparing for your FLS Program



## PREPARATION

While students can easily buy most things they need in the U.S., it's more convenient if the student arrives with essential items. We recommend students consider packing these items:

- Spending money (\$200 –\$250 per week)
- Laptop or tablet
- Any medications needed
- Notebook or folder
- Good walking shoes
- Electronic adaptors
- Pens and pencils
- Sunblock and sunglasses
- Small backpack
- Credit cards
- Umbrella
- Swimsuit
- Smartphone
- Toiletries
- Camera

## ORIENTATION

Each student's first day begins with a complete orientation. This includes a placement test, overview of school policies, campus tour and introduction to school staff. The first day also includes registration and enrollment. To be ready for this, students should bring the specific items listed in the box on this page.

After the first day, students will be ready to get the most from their FLS experience!

## SAMPLE SCHEDULE\*

After the first day, each student's schedule will follow a regular pattern. Here's a sample schedule of a typical school day.

TIME	ACTIVITY
9:00 am – 11:00 am	Core Class
11:00 am – 11:15 am	Break
11:15 am – 12:15 pm	Core Class
12:15 pm – 1:15 pm	Lunch
1:15 pm – 2:15 pm	Practical Grammar Elective
2:15 pm – 2:20 pm	Break
2:20 pm – 3:20 pm	English Through Film Elective
3:20 pm – 3:25 pm	Break
4:30 pm –	Excursion to Downtown Shopping

### WHAT TO BRING ON THE FIRST DAY:

- ☐ Passport and Visa
- ☐ I-20 (if applicable)
- ☐ Medical Insurance documentation
- ☐ Form of payment for tuition and any other unpaid fees (if applicable)
- ☐ Copy of COVID Vaccination Record

\* Please note: this schedule is only a sample. The actual schedule for each student's program may vary.



# 2023 Start Dates

These are the preferred start dates for 2023, but students can start *any Monday*.

JANUARY							FEBRUARY							MARCH							APRIL						
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## PREFERRED START DATES

January 3 – 27  
January 30 – Feb. 24  
February 27 – March 23  
March 27 – April 22  
April 24 – May 19  
May 22 – June 16  
June 20 – July 14  
July 17 – Aug. 11  
August 14 – Sept. 8  
September 11 – Oct. 5  
October 9 – Nov. 3  
November 6 – Dec 1  
December 4 – Dec 29  
January 2 – 26, 2024

## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

January 2 .....New Year’s Day (Observed)  
January 16.....Martin Luther King Day (Observed)  
February 20.....President’s Day  
March 24.....In-Service Day  
April 7..... Good Friday  
May 29.....Memorial Day  
June 19..... Juneteenth  
July 4..... Independence Day(Observed)  
September 4.....Labor Day  
October 6.....In-Service Day  
November 10.....Veteran’s Day  
November 23 & 24.....Thanksgiving  
December 25..... Christmas



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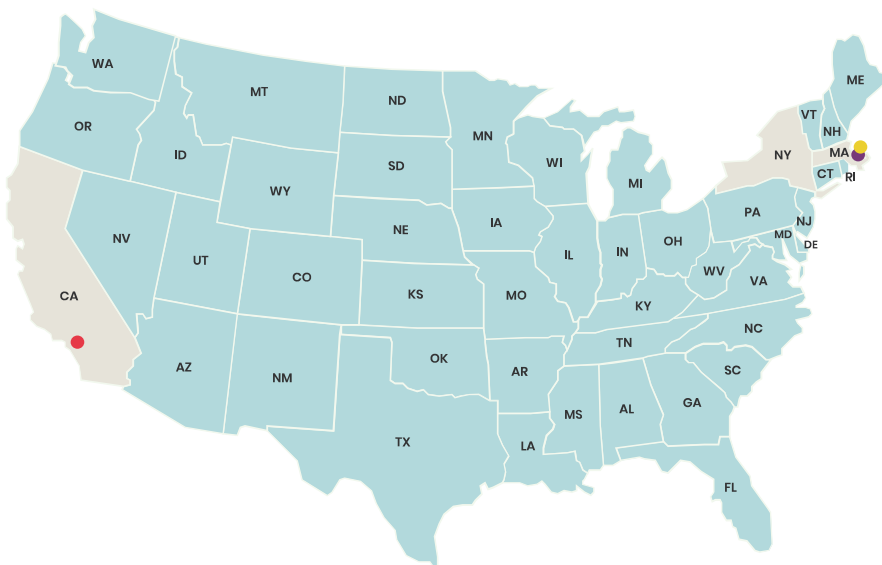
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