

WHY CHOOSE TO STUDY IN OUR BERKELEY SCHOOL?

5 reasons to study here

- Situated in a renowned academic city with a vibrant student community, just minutes to downtown San Francisco
- Located near the prestigious UC Berkeley, which allows students to attend open lectures
- Offers advice to students applying to Berkeley City College and UC Berkeley **Extension Programs**
- Students who complete Kaplan's Higher Intermediate level can use their certificate to gain admission to Berkeley City College
- Enjoy weekend trips to Yosemite, Wine Country, and Lake Tahoe

Location and contact information

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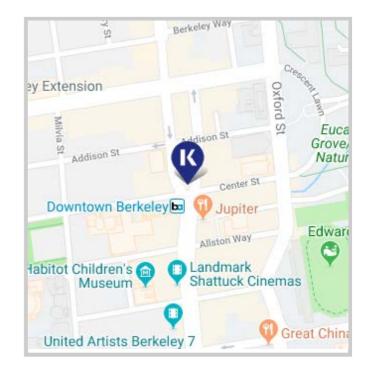
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AT THIS ADDRESS SINCE: 1999 PROVIDING ENGLISH COURSES 1999

SINCE:













School information

SCHOOL DIRECTOR: Robert Szulc

TOTAL NUMBER OF 8 - 10 (Full time teachers: 0) TEACHERS:

LANGUAGES SPOKEN BY

Spanish, Japanese, French, Mandarin Chinese, Turkish, Polish, Italian

TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS: All teachers have a level of education normally represented by a degree and they

also have a CELTA or equivalent qualification. Some also hold the higher level DELTA qualification, PGCE, or MA in

applied linguistics

Accreditations and memberships





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ABOUT THE SCHOOL

NUMBER OF BUILDINGS:

NUMBER OF FLOORS: 4

TOTAL NUMBER OF CLASSROOMS: 8

SCHOOL FACILITIES: Elevator, air conditioning, heating, Wi-Fi, computer lab/ multimedia center, library, self study center, games

room, student lounge / common room

WHEELCHAIR / DISABLED ACCESS: Yes

EXTRA COST OF FACILITIES: No

OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED: Accommodation, Airport transfer, University Placement Service, Medical Insurance, Virtual Internship

EXTRA COST OF OTHER SERVICES: See our price list

NUMBER OF COMPUTERS AVAILABLE: 15

LEVELS OF ENGLISH OFFERED: All levels

FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL: Orientation starts every Monday at 11:00. This includes a meet and greet with staff, city tour, and the

 $distribution \ of \ class \ time tables. \ On \ their \ first \ day, students \ are \ expected \ to \ have \ already \ submitted \ all \ their$

documents and taken their online KITE placement test.







SAMPLE CLASS TIMETABLE

Morning		Afternoon	l
CLASS:	08:30 - 10:00	CLASS:	14:15 - 15:45
BREAK:	10:00 - 10:15	BREAK:	15:45 - 16:00
CLASS:	10:15 - 11:45	CLASS:	16:00 - 17:30

SAMPLE SPECIFIC SKILLS CLASS TIMETABLE

Morning class Afternoon class (Monday to Friday) (Monday to Friday)

N/A 12:30 - 14:00

SCHOOL MATERIALS

MATERIALS PROVIDED FOR STUDENTS:

K+ Course Books, K+ Learning Clubs, K+ Learning Space, K+ Extra, Chromebooks, Interactive whiteboards

IS THERE A BOOK DEPOSIT?

No

IS THERE A MATERIALS FEE?

No







Courses and students

COURSES PROVIDED AT THIS SCHOOL: General English, Semi-Intensive English, Intensive English, Academic Year, Academic Semester, TOEFL IBT

& Academic English Exam Preparation

SPECIAL / EXTRA COURSES PROVIDED: N/A

AVERAGE NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER CLASS: 11–15

MINIMUM AGE OF STUDENTS: 16

AVERAGE AGE OF STUDENTS: 18–21

STUDENTS PER AGE GROUP: 18-21: 30.00% / 22-25: 30% / 26-30: 30% / Over 30: 10%

TOP 10 STUDENT NATIONALITIES: China, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, Japan, Taiwan, France, Turkey, Brazil, Colombia, Thailand

School location and transport

	By foot	By bike	By bus	By subway/train
Time to the nearest café / restaurant:	1 minute	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest supermarket:	10 minutes	3 minutes	5 minutes	5 minutes
Time to the nearest post office:	3 minutes	1 minute	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest ATM / bank:	1 minute	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest sports center:	1 minute	1 minute	2 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest hospital:	15 minutes	5 minutes	10 minutes	N/A
Time to the city center:	1 minute	N/A	N/A	N/A







AIRPORT TRANSPORT

CLOSEST AIRPORT:	Oakland International Airport

	Line or Number	Cost	Duration
Airport to city center by bus:	N/A	N/A	N/A
Airport to city center by train:	BART	\$10	60 minutes
International train station to city center:	N/A	N/A	N/A



ABOUT BERKELEY

NAME OF LOCATION: San Francisco Berkeley

FAMOUS LANDMARKS: **UC** Berkeley

CUISINES WITHIN A 20-MINUTE WALK: American, British, Chinese, French, Greek, Indian, Italian, Japanese, Mexican, Middle Eastern, Seafood,

Spanish, Thai, Turkish, Vegetarian

TRANSPORT WITHIN A 10-MINUTE WAIK: Buses and trains

TOP 5 REASONS TO CHOOSE THIS CITY: Situated close to the prestigious UC berkeley campus, a wide selection of great food to chose from, plenty

of great local beer, a number of live music venues nearby, a diverse community of local students

WHAT MAKES THIS CITY UNIQUE? Student-friendly city just minutes away from San Francisco, a centre for the American counterculture.

Silicon Valley's nearby presence has made the San Francisco Bay Area a world capital for the creative and

tech industries.

ALTERNATIVE THINGS TO DO: Tour the craft breweries, explore the local museums, check out the Pacific Film Archive, hike to Indian Rock

Park for the views

CITY PERSONALITY: Academic, active, active nightlife, alternative, artistic, bike-friendly, bookstores, charming, coffee haven,

> creative, cultural, diverse, eco-friendly, famous, food trucks, foodie scene, friendly, galleries, green, hiking, historical, iconic landmarks, independent, laid-back, museums, music, natural landscape, ocean views,

picturesque, small town experience, sports scene, unique, university town, youthful

Examples of nearby cities to visit

SAN FRANCISCO Travel time: 25 minutes, price of return ticket: \$9 OAKLAND Travel time: 10 minutes, price of return ticket: \$5

Regular social activities

BOWLING	\$10-20
SOCCER	Free
PING-PONG	Free
A'S BASEBALL GAME	\$15
UC BERKELEY FOOTBALL GAME	\$50
UC BERKELEY BASKETBALL GAME	\$20
SAN FRANCISCO BAY CRUISE TO ALCATRAZ	\$50

Typical 2-week social schedule

MON Welcome new students TUE UC Berkeley tour WED Bowling THU Movies	dents Welcome new students UC Berkeley tour
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THU Movies	Soccer game
	Ping-pong competition
FRI Sports game	Live music
SAT Festival	Festival

Number of Social activities per week: 5





LIVING COST (SAMPLE PRICES FOR ITEMS IN THIS CITY)

• Bottle of water: \$4

• Coffee: \$5

• Meal out for two: \$50

Local train ticket: \$5

Takeaway pizza: \$30

Sandwich: \$8

Can of coke: \$3

Bike rental: \$25

• Local bus ticket: \$3 • Cinema ticket: \$18



BERKELEY CITY DORMS - YMCA







ADDRESS: 2001 Allston Way, berkeley, CA 94704

WEBSITE: "https://ymcaeastbay.org/specialty-locations/berkeley-y-hotel

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latest information."

ACCOMMODATION TYPE: Student halls / hostels, single and twin rooms, shared bathrooms, mixed gender bathrooms, communal

kitchen for the halls/hostel, study area, dining area, TV in the common area

SERVICES AVAILABLE: Wi-Fi, linens and towels, cleaning service

EXTRA COST OF SERVICES: Varies

BEDROOM: Wardrobe/ closet, desk, lamp, chair
KITCHEN: Pots & pans, cooking utensils (shared)

FACILITIES: Outdoor space, laundry facilites, gym, pool

EXTRA COST OF FACILITIES: Varies

FAMOUS LANDMARKS NEARBY: UC berkeley

VISITORS OR GUESTS ALLOWED? No

NOISE RESTRICTIONS? Yes (From 21:00 every day)

SMOKING ALLOWED IN THE RESIDENCE? No 24-HOUR SECURITY? Yes

ROOM CLEANING: Bedrooms cleaned on arrival and weekly. Common areas are cleaned daily.

LINEN CHANGING: Clean linen provided on arrival

AVAILABILITY: Year-round
MINIMUM NUMBER OF WEEKS? No minimum

CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT TIMES: Check-in: Saturday & Sunday 16:00 - 21:00 / Check-out: Saturday 10:00

ROOM DEPOSIT? No

	By foot	By bike	By bus	By subway/train
Time to the school (Berkeley):	2 minutes	1 minute	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest café / restaurant:	1 minute	1 minute	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest supermarket:	10 minutes	5 minutes	5 minutes	5 minutes
Time to the nearest post office:	5 minutes	5 minutes	5 minutes	5 minutes
Time to the nearest ATM / bank:	2 minutes	2 minutes	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest sports center:	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest hospital:	32 minutes	12 minutes	20 minutes	N/A
Time to the city center:	2 minutes	1 minute	N/A	N/A
Time to the main airport:	4 hours and 30 minutes	1 hour and 15 minutes	N/A	1 hour and 15 minutes



BERKELEY CITY DORMS - BORNEO







ADDRESS: 2413 Milvia Street, Berkeley CA, 94704

WEBSITE: "N/A

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ACCOMMODATION TYPE: Multi-bedroom house (house is mixed gender but bedrooms are not), shared and mixed male and female

bathroom(s) in the house, shared kitchen, lounge/common area and dining area

SERVICES AVAILABLE: Laundry (with extra fees), Wi-Fi, Linen and towels

EXTRA COST OF SERVICES:

BEDROOM: Desk, chair, dresser

KITCHEN: Pots & pans, cooking utensils, microwave, stovetop, fridge

FACILITIES: The kitchen has a cozy dining area where students like to relax

EXTRA COST OF FACILITIES: Laundry

FAMOUS LANDMARKS NEARBY: Berkeley Public Library, UC berkeley, Telegraph Avenue, and Indian Rock Park

VISITORS OR GUESTS ALLOWED?

Yes

NOISE RESTRICTIONS?

Yes

SMOKING ALLOWED IN THE RESIDENCE?

No

24-HOUR SECURITY?

No

ROOMS CLEANED EVERY: Bedrooms cleaned on arrival and common areas are cleaned daily, then students are responsible for

cleaning their own rooms and keeping the common area tidy

LINEN CHANGED EVERY: Linen cleaned on arrival

AVAILABILITY: Year-round
MINIMUM NUMBER OF WEEKS? No minimum

CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT TIMES Check-in: Saturday & Sunday 16:00 - 21:00 / Check-out: Saturday 10:00

ROOM DEPOSIT? Yes (Price: No room deposit; \$250 cancellation fee if reservation is cancelled less than one month prior to

their scheduled arrival date)

	By foot	By bike	By bus	By subway/train
Time to the school:	10 minutes	5 minutes	14 minutes	N/A
Time to the nearest café / restaurant:	4 minutes	2 minutes	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest supermarket:	4 minutes	3 minutes	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest post office:	6 minutes	2 minutes	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest ATM / bank:	3 minutes	1 minute	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest sports center:	5 minutes	2 minutes	N/A	N/A
Time to the nearest hospital:	3 minutes	2 minutes	N/A	N/A
Time to the city center:	N/A	N/A	N/A	51 minutes
Time to the main airport:	N/A	N/A	60 minutes	60 minutes



BERKELEY CITY APARTMENTS - THE TELEGRAPH







ADDRESS: 2614 Telegraph Ave Berkeley, CA 94704

WEBSITE: "N/A

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ACCOMMODATION TYPE: Multi-bedroom house, (house is mixed gender but bedrooms are not), shared and mixed male and female

bathroom(s) in the house, shared kitchen, lounge/common area and dining area.

"SERVICES AVAILABLE: " Laundry, Wi-Fi, bed linen and towels provided upon arrival, bi-weekly cleaning of common areas

EXTRA COST OF SERVICES: N/A

BEDROOM: Desk, chair, dresser

KITCHEN: Pots & pans, cooking utensils, microwave, stovetop, oven, fridge, dishwasher, Keurig coffee machine

FACILITIES: Living room with TV, outdoor picnic tables and BBQ area

EXTRA COST OF FACILITIES: N/A

FAMOUS LANDMARKS NEARBY: Berkeley Public Library, UC Berkeley, Telegraph Avenue

VISITORS OR GUESTS ALLOWED? Visitors allowed; No overnight guests

NOISE RESTRICTIONS? Yes (From 22:00 - 9:00)

SMOKING ALLOWED IN THE RESIDENCE? No

24-HOUR SECURITY? 24 hour camera security, locked gate surrounds residence, door locks and key pad

ROOM CLEANING: Cleaned on arrival, common areas cleaned bi-weekly

LINEN CHANGING: Clean linens provided upon arrival; students responsible for washing their own linens

AVAILABILITY: For students 18+ MINIMUM NUMBER OF WEEKS? No minimum

CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT TIMES Check-in: Saturday & Sunday 16:00 - 21:00 / Check-out: Saturday 10:00

ROOM DEPOSIT? None

Time to the school: 21 minutes 8 minutes 9 minutes Time to the nearest café / restaurant: 1 minute N/A N/A N/A Time to the nearest supermarket: 11 minutes 5 minutes 6 minutes Time to the nearest post office: 23 minutes 5 minutes 7 minutets Time to the nearest ATM / bank: 8 minutes 5 minutes 7 minutets Time to the nearest sports center: 11 minutes 6 minutes 5 minutes 8 minutes 8 minutes 8 minutes 6 minutes 8 minutes 8 minutes 8 minutes 8 minutes 8 minutes 8 minutes					
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Time to the city center: 21 minutes 5 minutes 7 minutes	N/A	8 minutes	5 minutes	12 minutes	Time to the nearest hospital:
	N/A	7 minutes	5 minutes	21 minutes	Time to the city center:
Time to the main airport: N/A 45 minutes N/A	1 hour 17 minutes	N/A	45 minutes	N/A	Time to the main airport:



HOST FAMILY INFORMATION







THINGS STUDENTS NEED TO BRING:

SERVICES INCLUDED:

EXTRA COST OF SERVICES:

MEALS PROVIDED:

Toiletries, prescription medication

Telephone use for emergencies

No

Yes (depends on booking type)

 $\hat{A} \in A \in A$ BREAKFAST: Breakfast is usually a light meal consisting of cereal, fruit, toast, juice, or coffee.

Hosts will usually ask you to prepare your own breakfast.

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restaurant, or the local shops.

€¢ DINNER: You will usually eat dinner with your host, or occasionally you may prepare your

own meal with food supplied by your host.

WILL THE HOMESTAY ARRANGE TO PICK UP THE STUDENT FROM THE AIRPORT?

TRANSPORT TO SCHOOL:

No

transport.

WHERE ARE THE HOST FAMILIES LOCATED?

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Your host will help you plan your way to and from school on your first day and will explain how to use public transport

Berkeley area and nearby

 $Homestays\ are\ 45-60\ minutes\ of\ commute\ time\ to\ the\ school.$