PROGRAMS WITH POWER

International Peer Advisors: This mix of international and domestic student volunteers serve as peer mentors and help at our orientations, programs, outings and events.

Global Connections Partner Program: Students connect with each other for one quarter of language and cultural exchange.

International Discussion Groups: An opportunity for students to enjoy open dialogue, stimulating conversation and a chance to share.

International Women’s Exchange: Diverse women find friendship at picnics, performances, craft nights and more. Perfect English isn’t required. Spouses, partners, students, staff, community members and children are all welcome.

Exploring So Cal Series: Excursions range from ARTSblock to whale watching, and include discounts and transportation.

Exploring American Culture Series: Students can participate in American traditions such as Thanksgiving and the Super Bowl.

Friendship Families: We pair international students with local families (including UCR faculty/staff families). This is not a homestay program.

EDUCATION DOESN’T HAVE BORDERS. SHOW STUDENTS R’WORLD.

DID YOU KNOW?

International students (F-1 & J-1) MUST...

- Maintain a full course load (12 units) each quarter. Please do not advise them to drop classes, take a leave of absence or withdraw before talking with an ISRC International Student Advisor.
- Have authorization to work off-campus. Consequences for unauthorized employment are serious. Do not advise anyone to get a job before talking to an International Student Advisor.
- Obtain ISRC permission before working on-campus (if J-1).
- Not work on-campus more than 20 hours per week during the academic year.
- Consult with the ISRC before traveling outside the U.S. Certain steps must be taken when leaving and re-entering.
- Report change of major, degree objective or financial sponsorship to an International Student Advisor.

These are just a few examples. See all international student requirements at internationalcenter.ucr.edu.

To reach an International Student Advisor, call (951) 827-4113.

You don’t have to travel far to find the International Student Resource Center! We are located in University Village, Suite 204, up the stairs and above Quinios.

OUR PARTNERS

UCR International Student Resource Center

ADDRESS: University Village, Suite 204
PHONE: (951) 827-4113 | FAX: (951) 827-3778
HOURS: M-F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
internationalcenter.ucr.edu
WHO WE ARE

THE ISRC HELPS INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS SUCCEED
At the International Student Resource Center (ISRC), international students get answers, find support and connect to community seamlessly with our key programs and services.

THE ISRC BENEFITS ALL STUDENTS
The ISRC facilitates development of the intercultural and leadership skills needed to succeed. All students who are adjusting to American culture can benefit from our support programs.

A CAMPUS LIASON
The ISRC is the campus’ main liaison to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Department of State (DOS). We are charged with maintaining UCR’s approval to admit and enroll international students.

WHAT WE DO

INDIVIDUAL STUDENT HELP
The ISRC provides support. When students need a safety net, we give them one with:
- Adjustment Counseling
- Emergency/Crisis Help
- Intercultural expertise
- Appropriate campus and community referrals (including academic resources)

IMMIGRATION & REGULATIONS
The ISRC makes it simple. We help students navigate complex UCR, state and federal procedures tied to:
- Student visa acquisition
- Maintaining nonimmigrant status and documentation (I-20s, DS-2019s, etc.)
- Communicating with Social Security, the Department of Motor Vehicles, and other agencies
- Legal employment options

DEFINITION OF AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT
“The ISRC defines international students as all enrolled UCR students with a non-immigrant visa status – including Education Abroad Program reciprocity students and international alumni pursuing approved post-graduate training.”

HOW YOU CAN HELP

YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE
There are many ways that you can help show students R’World. Here are a few suggestions:
- Point students in the right direction! If you know an international student in need of extra support, tell them about the ISRC.
- Refer international students to our Global Connections Partner Program for valuable peer support.
- Volunteer as a Friendship Family for international students who miss home (not a homestay program).
- Encourage students to lead with our peer programs.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT RESOURCE CENTER (ISRC)

Check out internationalcenter.ucr.edu to learn more!

UCR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
By the Numbers*

2012 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT POPULATION BY COUNTRY (TOP 4)
- 49% China
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- 9% India
- 6% South Korea

2012 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT POPULATION BY CLASS LEVEL
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- 58% PhD
- 19% Alumni

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2012 1,384
2006 1,045
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* All data as of Fall 2012 (Submitted to IIE Open Doors Report), and does not include international students studying at UCR Extension.

DAYS TO DAY LIFE
The ISRC answers questions. We help students adjust to their new home and build confidence through:
- Arrival support
- Quarterly UCR/Riverside orientations
- Peer advice
- Trips to the grocery store, shopping malls, banks, cell phone providers, as well as local sites and attractions
- Free maps, bus schedules and Internet access

HOW THE ISRC HELPS YOU

LET THE ISRC SUPPORT YOU
Consider us a resource. Talk to our staff and visit our website to access best practice research and resources regarding international students.

Referrals: Call the ISRC to quickly connect to campus, community and governmental resources.
Training: Attend the “Supporting International Student Success” course. Registration available at ucrlearning.ucr.edu.
Mediation: Get assistance with cross-cultural communication and unique challenges.
Consultations: Find guidance and support to strategize your international students’ success.

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