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Professional Education | International

ENGLISH FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

4 WEEKS

About the Program

International students who would like to use English more confidently in the fields of science and technology benefit from this intensive, four-week program. They improve their overall English language skills and develop professional skills—such as critical thinking, oral presentation and intercultural communication—needed for scientists, engineers and technical experts. Program highlights include:

- Visits to UC Davis campus laboratories and regional high-tech companies
- Small classes (about 12 to 16 students)
- Highly qualified and experienced instructors
- Daily recreational, cultural and social activities
- Optional weekend trips to Napa Valley, Yosemite National Park, San Francisco and Los Angeles

Program Objectives

Students will:

- Gain confidence and skills in technical English speaking and listening
- Strengthen pronunciation and oral presentation skills
- Learn new technical vocabulary and concepts
- Discuss various scientific and technological topics
- Develop critical thinking and analytical skills
- Gain awareness of current issues in applied science and technology
- Study new businesses in emerging technologies
- Create and deliver a professional presentation
- Improve their English listening, speaking, reading and writing ability

Custom Programs

We also offer custom programs for student groups. Contact us for more information.

Who Should Attend

- International undergraduate and graduate students majoring in science, engineering and/or technology
- Adult professionals who would like to improve their English language skills

University of California, Davis (UC Davis)

The University of California, Davis, is an international leader in science, technology and engineering. It is ranked in the top 100 universities in the world and is a university where international students and scholars are welcome, excellence is emphasized and students learn in a supportive environment.

Northern California Culture

UC Davis is located in beautiful Northern California where students can explore nearby cultural and historic sites like San Francisco, Lake Tahoe, Sacramento, Yosemite, Los Angeles and Napa Valley. Known as the "Bicycle Capital of the United States," Davis is an open, welcoming and diverse community where students are sure to feel welcome and safe.

"This is a very good, very challenging program. I met people from many countries, and the instructors were very kind and helpful."

–Hiromasa Inayoshi, Tokyo University of Science

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YOUR ACADEMIC PATH

Hot Topics in Science and Technology

- Improve analytical skills by reading articles, listening to lectures, watching audiovisual programs and discussing current research
- Develop technical English vocabulary
- Discuss and appreciate the power of ideas in science and technology that are changing people's lives and the world

Intercultural Research Project

- Develop questions to research a topic of choice
- Conduct information gathering by interviewing native English speakers on and off campus
- Collect, analyze and organize project information
- Prepare, practice and give a poster presentation

Listening and Pronunciation for Science and Technology

- Improve pronunciation skills through directed practice
- Strengthen listening comprehension with dictation, close exercises, note-taking and other activities
- Focus on frequently used vocabulary and expressions in science and technology

Introduction to Entrepreneurship in Science and Technology

- Realize the power of R & D (i.e., research and development) in science and technology through studying entrepreneurship
- Feel the spirit of entrepreneurship that has advanced science and technology and changed the way people live in recent years
- Think flexibly about your future career choices
- Enhance understanding of mandatory extracurricular activities such as site visits, presentations and/or workshops

Mandatory Extracurricular Activities

- Observe applied science and technology first-hand through presentations and/or site visits to local high-tech companies and UC Davis research centers and laboratories
- Communicate directly with experts
- Enhance knowledge of current advancements in science and technology

Placement by English Language Ability

Students will be given an English placement assessment and placed in an appropriate level. Applicants' English proficiency levels are expected to be low-intermediate and above.

Housing Options

For pre-arranged housing, students should contact our International Housing office. Family homestays, shared student apartment living, university dormitories (summer only) and rooms in private houses or apartments may be available.

Please contact:

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Tel.:   +1 (530) 757-8988
Web: extension.ucdavis.edu/housing

Sample Program Schedule*

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30-9:20 a.m.	Listening and Pronunciation (daily)				
9:30-10:20 a.m.	Intercultural Research Project (daily)				
10:40-11:30 a.m.	Hot Topics in Science and Technology (daily)				
11:40 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.	Introduction to Entrepreneurship in Science and Technology (daily)				
12:30-1:30 p.m.	Lunch (daily)				
1:30-2:40 p.m.			Presentations/ Workshops/Site Visits		
4:30 p.m.	Games	Arts and Crafts	Conversation Groups	Board Games	Ice Cream Social

The program schedule can vary. This is an example.

For More Information or to Apply

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"I am majoring in medicine, and the English for Science and Technology Program was very useful. The instructors are helpful and encouraging. I love the campus. After the program, I plan to apply to medical school and study cardiology or neurology."

–Tamar Mosulishvili, Tbilisi, Georgia, Eurasia

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