SEATTLE CENTRAL



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LOCATION Every year, 10,000 American students and 1,700 international students from more than 70 countries choose Seattle Central.



Seattle Central is the only community college located in beautiful, lively, downtown Seattle. Seattle is a safe and friendly city, surrounded by beautiful mountains, lakes and the sea, and often appears on national lists of "most livable" cities.



Seattle Central was named College of the Year by TIME Magazine in a one-time study of all 1,200 community colleges, and a "model for transfer success" by the New York Times.

Seattle Central has one of the largest international student populations of any community college in the United States, providing extensive resources and services, and a wide variety of academic programs.







You decide!





Is it cold? Does it snow?

	Average		Days per year	
	January temp (°C)	July temp (°C)	with snow	
Boston	-1.6	23.3	42	
New York Cit	y 0	24.4	28	
Seattle	5	18.3	7	
San Francisco	9.4	15.5	0	

National Climatic Data Center, U.S. Department of Commerce and www.theweathernetwork.ca/weathe

	Yearly Rainfall (mm)		
Taipei, Taiwan	2,129		
Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam	1,905		
Jakarta, Indonesia	1,803		
Calcutta, India	1,626		
Tokyo, Japan	1,524		
Sao Paulo, Brazil	1,397		
Seoul, South Korea	1,372		
New York City, USA	1,270		
Sydney, Australia	1,219		
Vancouver, Canada	1,177		
Boston, USA	1,092		
Seattle	940		
Istanbul, Turkey	635		
Barcelona, Spain	584		
San Francisco, USA	508		
Los Angeles, USA	330		
Damascus, Syria	178		

Sources: www.worldclimate.com and www.bbc.co.uk/weathe

Our climate is moderate, with pleasant summers and mild winters, and the air and water are exceptionally clean.



PROGRAMS Community colleges are popular among American and international students because of their low cost, small class sizes, and personal attention from instructors.



There is so much to choose from at Seattle Central!

- Study English
- Complete the first two years of your Bachelor's degree
- Earn a high school diploma
- Get a professional/technical degree
- ✓ Study for just a few months with American students.

SCIE (Seattle Central Institute of English)

SCIE offers six levels of instruction. Each level takes 10 weeks to complete. Your English skills will determine your starting point.

Intensive English (Levels 1–3) Make quick progress in this program focusing on speaking, writing, listening, reading, and grammar. Classes are held four hours a day, five days a week.

Advanced English (Levels 4–5) Choose from a variety of stimulating classes geared especially to the needs and interests of international students. Classes are held four hours a day, five days a week.

College Bridge (CB4–CB6) Take the language classes you need along with the college classes you want, and earn transferable college credit at the same time. Most students take classes 15 hours a week. Enter fulltime college classes directly after completing this program-there's no entrance testing required.



College Transfer

This "2 + 2" program allows you to study for two years at Seattle Central, prepare for your major, and graduate with an Associate of Arts (A.A.) or Associate of Science (A.S.) degree.

After that, you transfer to a four-year college or university for two more years to receive your Bachelor's degree. Our international students have transferred to many selective universities such as the University of Washington, UC Berkeley, Columbia University, UCLA, Dartmouth, and Cornell. Seattle Central has a strong reputation for high quality transfer programs.

Transfer Admission Guarantee

Receive a letter of conditional acceptance from one of our partner four-year institutions at the same time you are admitted to Seattle Central. These two acceptance letters provide a clear four-year pathway to your Bachelor's degree.





Examples of popular majors at 4-year institutions:

- Accounting
- Actuarial Science
- Anthropology
- Architecture
- Arts
- Biology
- Botany
- Business (all fields)
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Communications
- Economics
- Education (teacher)
- Engineering (all fields)
- English
- Environmental Health
- Environmental Science
- Foreign Languages
- Forestry
- Geography
- Geology
- History
- Hospitality
- Hotel Management
- Humanities

- Journalism
- Library Science
- Marketing
- Mathematics
- Microbiology
- Music
- Nursing
- Oceanography
- Pharmacy
- Philosophy
- Physical Education
- Physical Therapy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Pre-Dentistry
- Pre-Law
- Pre-Medicine
- Pre-Veterinary
- Psychology
- Public Relations
- Sociology
- Speech
- Urban Planning
- Zoology
- ...and other fields

Fast Track: High School Completion

Do you need a high school diploma? If you are at least 16 years old, Seattle Central's Fast Track program allows you to satisfy the requirements for a Washington State (U.S.) high school diploma while earning transferable college credits.

Students who enroll in this unique program can choose one of two options:

a) earn only the high school diploma

OR

b) earn both the Associate's degree and the high school diploma at the same time, and save money while you do!







Short-Term Certificates

The Short-Term Certificate program is perfect for those who want to study in the United States for 9,6,3, or 12 months, but who are not seeking a degree.

FIELD OF STUDY	3 months	6 months	9 months	12 months
ARTS				
Art	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Music	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Survey of Fine Arts	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
BUSINESS				
Business Administration	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Business Information Systems	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
MBA Preparation	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
COMPUTING				
Computer Studies	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Intro to Computers	\checkmark			
CULTURES AND COMMUNICATION				
American Studies	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Global Studies	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Modern Communication	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
GENERAL STUDIES	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark

Professional/Technical Degrees & Certificates

If you aren't interested in a Bachelor's degree, or if you already have one, you may want to choose from more than 30 exciting one- and two-year Professional/Technical programs, offering career training in high-demand fields.

FIELDS OF STUDY

ARTS and DESIGN

Apparel Design Cabinetmaking Carpentry Commercial Photography Graphic Design

BUSINESS Business Information Technology

COMPUTING

Applications Support Database Design & Administration Network Design & Administration Programming Web Design

HEALTH/MEDICAL

Chemical Dependency Specialist Child and Family Studies **Deaf Studies Dental Hygiene** Nursing Opticianry **Respiratory Care** Social & Human Services Surgical Technology **Expanded Function Dental Auxiliary**

HOSPITALITY

Culinary Arts Specialty Desserts & Breads

Take classes with American students, experience U.S. college life, and earn college credits in this flexible program.

You can also try an optional volunteer internship to meet your program requirements.



RESOURCES & ACTIVITIES

The International Student Center assists students during their time at Seattle Central, from orientation until graduation.

- One-on-one and group **advising**
- Personal and educational counseling
- Academic and immigration workshops
- University transfer fairs

Join one of our 80 **clubs**, write for the **campus newspaper**, or become active in student government.

We also offer international students a variety of fun activities, such as movie nights, baseball games, and weekend trips to Canada.

Campus services for international students include:

- Tutoring in ESL and college subjects
- Programs to practice English outside the classroom such as Conversation Partners and Coffee Talk
- Help with job searches, resumes, cover letters, interview preparation, and volunteer internships
- Library research tools and databases
- Use of Windows and Macintosh computers at the Computer Center
- The Student Activity Center (Gym), where you can exercise and play sports

The on-campus Cafeteria, Restaurants and Espresso Shop are popular with students between classes.

Seattle Central Gym (left), Bookstore (right)



HOUSING

Seattle Central has on-campus apartments available to international students. Homestay and neighborhood apartments are also popular housing options.

- applications and room assignments.
- contact a host family agency directly.



• On-campus Apartments (Your classes are right across the street!) Provides shared studio housing for new international students aged 17 or older when first enrolled at Seattle Central. Live in the Studios on Broadway during your first year as a student, for the license period that best fits your needs. Our staff take care of all

• Homestay Gives you an opportunity to experience American life firsthand. To arrange a homestay, you will

• Apartments Living in a nearby apartment is ideal if you are independent and want to live close to the campus.







COST

As a community college, Seattle Central's tuition is generally much lower than at four-year institutions, making the cost of attendance very attractive!

Tuition for 2013-2014:

- \$8,000 (approximately) per year for an English language program Intensive English/ Advanced English
- \$9,500 (approximately) per year for a college program College Transfer/ College Bridge/ FAST TRACK/ Professional Technical/ Short-Term Certificate

By choosing Seattle Central for your first two years and then transferring to a university for your last two years, you can save tens of thousands of dollars!

ADMISSION

Admission is easy and frequent.

Just submit your application, the application fee, and proof of financial ability. No SATs, essays, or recommendations are required.

> Enter your program of choice four times each year: in fall, winter, spring, or summer quarters.

> > Term Fall Winter Spring

> > > Summer

Admission Deadline

August 1 November 15

May 10

February 15



Academic Calendar

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

College Programs

College Transfer, FAST TRACK, Professional & Technical

TOEFL: 520, Writing 4 or higher iBT 68, Writing 18 or higher

IELTS: Overall 5.5, Writing band 5 or higher

Completion of English Composition at an accredited US college or university

Short-term Certificate

TOEFL: 520, no Writing required iBT 68, no Writing required

IELTS: Overall 5.5, no Writing required

Completion of English Composition at an accredited US college or university

Seattle Central Institute of English

College Bridge

TOEFL: 470 or higher iBT 52 or higher

IELTS: Overall 5 or higher

Completion of an approved ESL program, approved assessment test, or other

Intensive English

TOEFL: below 470 iBT below 52 IELTS: below 5 or No English Proficiency

= Direct placement into college classes

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Take the College English placement test when you arrive in Seattle. You will be placed in College Bridge or full-time College depending on your results and program choice.

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