

September 2024



Dear Students,

The start of the Fall 2024 term is quickly approaching! Please see below for some important reminders and information on upcoming events. We hope that you are doing well and surviving the summer heat. We are excited to welcome you to the Fall 2024 quarter soon! We have approximately 500 new international students that will be joining our UCR community this Fall.

International Student Orientation

The International Student Orientation (ISO) is quickly approaching! Join us for a packed event of presentation and resources from campus partners and connection with current and incoming students.

Wednesday, September 18th: Graduate students only

Thursday, September 19th: Undergraduate students only

Friday September 20th: Both graduate and undergraduate students

Register for ISO [here!](#) More information can be found on our [website](#).

If you need more information on ways to travel from LAX or ONT airport to get to campus, please click [Here](#)

ISS EVENTS



Fall 2024 Language Circles Moderators Needed

Become a language moderator for Fall quarter. Learn or practice a variety of languages through informal conversations led by our Language Circle Moderators. Make connections and meet new students while assisting on conversational skills!

We are raffling away a gift card for each circle at the end of the program! Each session you attend grants you 1 raffle entry.

Register: [HERE](#)

Trip to the Plaza?

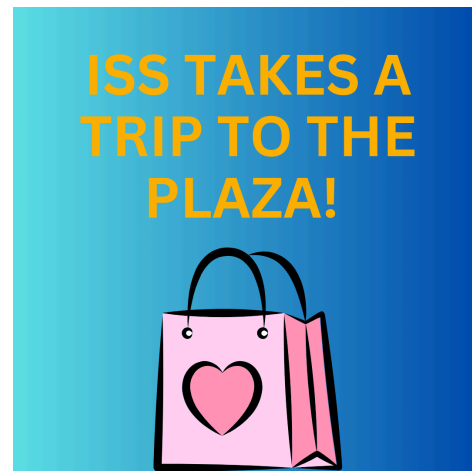
Join us on a trip to do some last minute shopping at the Moreno Valley Plaza.

Register [HERE](#)

Date: Saturday, September 21, 2024

Time: 10:00AM - 5:00PM (PT)

Place: Moreno Valley Plaza



ISS TAKES A TRIP TO THE BOTANIC GARDEN



Save the date for a day of viewing the beautiful botanic gardens we have on campus. Be sure to bring a water bottle to stay hydrated and wear appropriate shoes for walking on dirt trails.

Register: [HERE](#)

Date: Friday, September 27, 2024

Tour Time: Starts 10:00AM (PT)

Deadline to RSVP: Friday, August 20, 2024

International Student Peer Mentee Program

Now Open: Mentee Application

Receive personalized support, learn more about UCR resources, and connect with the UCR international community through exclusive meetings and events

Deadline: Friday, September 10, 2024, 11:59PM (PT)

Application: [HERE](#)

Become a Mentee,
Gain Support

Apply Today!



U.S. ADDRESS

Have You Moved?

The U.S. government requires that F-1 & J-1 students report any residential address change. If you've changed your residence address since last quarter it is time to update your [ISS Portal](#) with your U.S. Local Address. Please take a moment to log in

- Click on **'Personal Information'**
- Click on **'U.S. Address (Update within 10 Days of Any Changes)'**
- Make any updates to your Local Address
- Click **'Save'** at the bottom of page

Full-Time (12 Credits Units) Registrations Requirements Reminder

This is a reminder that international students are required by the U.S. government to enroll in 12 course units (CUs) each quarter (Winter, Spring, & Fall) unless it is your final, graduating quarter. If you are in your final, graduating quarter you will need to let the ISS know by completing the [Reduced Course Load](#) requests and send it to internationalstudents@ucr.edu

- F and J students can only take one online course. All other classes must be in-person.

Undergraduate F students only

- If Fall 2024 will be your last quarter and you will be below 12 units, or if you are an F-2 student and will be taking 10 units or less, you must submit a reduced course load form to our office by Monday, Tuesday October 7 at 12pm (noon). This will give us time to initiate a reduced tuition must be routed to the registrar's office by noon on October 11, 2024

ISS FORMS AND GUIDES

Did you know that you can find essential forms, guides and information about maintaining your status, travel and employment on our website? international.ucr.edu/students

-[Need a Form?](#)

-Learn about [F and J requirements](#)

-[Travel](#)

-[Employment and Taxes](#)



Contact Us

There are several ways you can reach our team. Our staff works Monday-Friday, from 8:00AM - 5:00PM (closed from 12:00 - 1:00 PM for lunch).

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Thank you from all of us in International Affairs!

As a reminder, the International Student News is an email for international students sent once a month. You will find important information from our office, such as:

- Notices from the U.S. government
- Reminders to ensure that you maintain lawful U.S. status
- UCR campus updates and cultural event information

Please read the newsletter carefully. If you have any questions, please email our office at internationalstudents@ucr.edu.



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