

STUDY ABROAD AT WESTCLIFF



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UNIVERSITY
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Information

Founded in 1993, and based in Irvine, California, Westcliff University is globally recognized and accredited. Westcliff offers undergraduate and graduate certificates and degree programs in the areas of Business, Education, Nursing, Technology & Engineering, and Law. WU prepares students for personal, professional, and academic success through innovative, up-to-date, and high-quality programs. International students have the opportunity to start 6 times per year and study together with American and other international students from across the globe and form networks for a lifetime. The Greater Los Angeles area is the second-largest metropolitan area in the U.S. and is a home to several world-famous landmarks and attractions, including the Hollywood Walk of Fame, Disneyland, and Universal Studios. Located close to several beautiful California beaches, Irvine is about an hour away from LA and has consistently been ranked as one of the safest cities in the U.S. based on FBI crime statistics. Irvine and its surrounding areas offer a diverse range of activities such as hiking, surfing, shopping, dining, and entertainment options such as Irvine Spectrum Center, the Orange County Fair, and more.

Website

www.westcliff.edu

Study Opportunities

Westcliff University offers over 30 concentrations across bachelor, master, and doctorate degree programs in 5 colleges:

- College of Business
- College of Education
- College of Nursing
- College of Technology & Engineering
- College of Law

During one semester at WU, bachelor's students typically select 4-5 courses and can mix and match classes from different programs, provided that the home institution approves. Master's students usually take 2-4 courses per semester. Students also have the opportunity to take 2-3 courses in just one session (2 months) if they prefer. Though most J1 students come to the U.S. for one or two semesters, they may be eligible to stay in the U.S. for up to five years.

Tuition Fees per Semester

Fees are adjusted annually

J1 students receive a 20% scholarship from the published Westcliff International F-1 Campus fees.

Program	Published On-ground Fees	F-1 Campus (20% Scholarship)
Bachelor Study Abroad	\$767/sem credit	\$614/sem credit
Master Study Abroad	\$819/sem credit	\$655/sem credit
Doctorate Study Abroad	\$907/sem credit	\$726/sem credit

**Please note if there is a General MOU in place between WU and the student's home institution, then the student can be self-funded. If there is no General MOU in place, then the student would need to have 51% of the funding coming from a grant or scholarship to be able to come on a J-1 visa. Otherwise, students can come to the US on an F-1 visa.*

Grading	Final grades are determined by attendance and class participation, discussion questions, professional assignments, course learning assessments, exams, team projects, etc.
Academic Year	The academic year at WU is divided into 6 sessions, each running for two months. There are six start dates each year.
Orientation Period	A welcoming and eventful orientation day is organized for all international students about one week prior to the beginning of the session to make the start as smooth as possible and to familiarize students with their fellow classmates, the campus and professors, as well as their class schedule.
Application	<p>Please submit an online application along with the required documentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official Transcripts in English (stamped & signed by home institution) • English Proficiency <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Undergrad (TOEFL 60, IELTS 5.5, Duolingo 95) ◦ Grad (TOEFL 79, IELTS 6.0, Duolingo 105) • Passport Copy (valid 6 months after the program end date) • Proof of Financial Support in English
Application Deadline	Due to the ongoing programs offered by Westcliff University throughout the year, applications are accepted continuously. To make preparations such as applying for a visa and finding accommodation as easy as possible, we recommend submitting an application approximately 4-6 months in advance, but Westcliff accepts applications up to one month before courses start. Students should contact their home university's international office for internal study abroad deadlines.
Visa	Study abroad students enter the United States on a J1 or F-1 visa. Students can request a visa only after their application has been approved. Visas can only be requested at US embassies and consulates. Please find more information via https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/study.html .
Accommodation	Students have the option to find private housing (single/shared/furnished) on their own or take advantage of the WU housing department that can assist students in finding accommodations in the Irvine area. Additionally, students may live with an American host family during their stay. Depending on the living situation. Living costs may range between \$1,200-\$2,500/month.
Scholarships	Further stipends may be offered by the government, home institution, or other organizations in the student's home country. Students can consult resources online or provided by their home university.
Funding	J1 students are eligible to apply for Academic Training (AT), or a (paid) internship. This work permit is valid for the same length as the study period. The WU Alumni Affairs & Career Services Center is happy to help students find a suitable company for such an internship.
Insurance	Students studying in the United States need to provide proof of adequate health insurance . International students have the option of choosing health insurance plans that are recommended by Westcliff University or they can choose a health insurance provider from their home country. The International Student Office is happy to assist students in finding the perfect fit for their health insurance provider.
Social Media	<p>Connect with Westcliff University and other WU students via social media:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facebook: www.facebook.com/westcliffuniversity • Instagram: www.instagram.com/westcliffuniversity • LinkedIn: www.linkedin.com/company/westcliff-university • TikTok: www.tiktok.com/@westcliffuniversity • Youtube: www.youtube.com/c/westcliffuniversity

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