The primary mission of the Cal Poly International Center is to provide leadership and coordination for Cal Poly international activities and to serve as the principal catalyst for internationalization efforts at Cal Poly.

The International Center encompasses these three areas:

- International Travel Authorization
- Study Abroad
- International Student & Scholar Services (IS&S)
CAL POLY
STUDY ABROAD!
Study Abroad Basics

- Over 500 Cal Poly approved programs in 75 countries
- Quarter, semester, year-long, spring break & summer programs
- GE, major and minor classes
- Financial aid and scholarship opportunities
- Make progress towards your degree
Study Abroad Fast Facts

- Currently, about 23% of Cal Poly students study abroad prior to graduating. That beats the national average for study abroad (14% of college students).

- About 1,500 Mustangs study abroad annually... and this number is growing!

- Top destinations for Cal Poly students are:
  - Spain
  - United Kingdom
  - Italy
  - Thailand
  - Czech Republic
  - Australia
  - Germany
  - Mexico
  - Switzerland
International Students & Scholars Overview

• Issue visa documents
• Coordinate orientation
• Provide visa, employment & cross-cultural advising
• Manage the international student health insurance plan
• Host cross-cultural activities

2017 International Student Orientation
International Welcome Ambassadors Program

• Current domestic/international Cal Poly students serve as volunteer "ambassadors" to assist new international students

• In 2017-18:
  • 25 welcome ambassador volunteers accepted
  • 108 new international students participated
On-Site International Student Orientation

WHEN
- Wednesday, September 19th, 2:00PM – 5:00PM

WHERE
- Chumash Auditorium (University Union)

WHAT
- Meet Welcome Ambassadors, international students, and staff from 18 different campus resources
- Receive important updates from the International Center
Ways To Get Involved

- Weekly International Coffee & Tea Time
- English Conversation Program
- International Club
- Monthly Events & Excursions
International Coffee and Tea Time

A weekly opportunity for international and domestic students to share culture and friendship in a casual environment

- Hosted at the Multicultural Center each Tuesday
- Coffee, tea and snacks are provided
- Students are free to discuss whatever topics they want with each other
English native speaking students are matched with an international student who wants to improve their English communication skills. This is a great opportunity to develop a cross-cultural connection with a fellow student!

Students discuss topics, such as:
- News
- Academics
- Cuisine
- Entertainment
- Family
- Sports
International Club

✓ For both domestic and international students to connect and form friendships

✓ Hosts events on-campus and in the local community
Monthly Events & Excursions

Santa Cruz Day Trip

Pizza & Politics (On-Campus)
Cal Poly Taste of the World

Held every February on campus