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# AMERICAN LANGUAGE & CULTURE IMMERSION

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CHICO



Students of all nations, you are welcome here!

We are an inclusive University-based English language program. We believe in active learning, the free expression of ideas, unity through diversity and every person's right to a good, healthy lifestyle.

Discover our welcoming community and realize your dreams at the American Language and Culture Immersion.

### Top TEN benefits of attending ALCI Chico!

Centrally located on the beautiful California State University, Chico campus

An opportunity to learn about American culture through academic and social activities

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TOEFL and IELTS preparation courses and testing

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Affordable English language instruction for all levels

Small

class sizes

and individual

faculty

counseling

**Access California State** 

University, Chico

courses through

**ALCI Chico Open** 

University

Math,

business, and University

preparation courses

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High value program, led by dedicated faculty, utilizing a proven English language curriculum

> Two-day, new student orientation program

Conditional Admission to the University without taking TOEFL through ALCI Chico

High satisfaction, recommended by students, families and agencies worldwide

bonus

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### **About the University**

We are located on the beautiful California State University, Chico campus in northern California. Establish in 1887, California State University, Chico is consistently ranked among the top regional public universities in the United States. You will find the campus and the college town of Chico to be a perfect place to learn English, experience an American University, meet new friends, and be a successful student.







#### PHOTOS:

- 1) Established in 1887, California State University, Chico is one of the oldest institutions of higher education in California.
- 2) Access to University degree programs through Conditional Admission
- 3) You will enjoy the beauty of the campus
- 4) Everyday there are many University events to participate in
- 5) Small class sizes and individual faculty attention make ALCI a great English language program
- 6) It's easy to meet friends at ALCI
- 7) Join the ALCI United football team

### **About ALCI Chico** Intensive English Language Program

Our mission is to provide you the high quality English language instruction and supportive counseling and services you need to accomplish your educational goals.

ALCI Chico curriculum includes specialized core courses (speaking, listening, reading, writing, and grammar) and a choice of electives such as pronunciation, American idioms, cross-cultural awareness, business English, survival English, and academic preparation. We offer five, seven-week sessions of intensive English instruction per year to students of all proficiency levels. You will attend classes for 20-25 hours each week, providing plenty of time for study, homework and participation in campus, academic, and social activities. Many of our students attend ALCI Chico for several months, participating in consecutive sessions.



The ALCI faculty helped me improved my academic writing and prepared me to take a University course in international relations. In addition to improving my study skills, I enjoyed making a lot of new friends and playing volleyball. It is fun when everyone gets together for an activity on campus.

Saki M.







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#### **HOW TO APPLY**

Please visit the ALCI Chico website for complete application details. Session dates, deadlines and fees are updated on the website.

To qualify for admission, your high school education must be complete and you must submit the following:

1) Financial documentation verifying sufficient funds for educational and living expenses

**2)** A completed application with a non-refundable application fee

Apply today at **akci.csuchico.edu** 

# **ALCI Chico Faculty & Staff**

You will find the ALCI Chico faculty and staff to be welcoming and helpful. Our experienced faculty have advanced university degrees in teaching English to speakers of other languages (TESOL), and have years of international student service experience.

### **Conditional Admission** to the University

Through ALCI Chico you can demonstrate English proficiency and gain conditional admissions to the University without taking the TOEFL test. Every year, many of our ALCI Chico students continue their studies at the University or the local community college



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## **Open University**

Open University, through ALCI Chico, provides an opportunity for you to enroll in regularly-scheduled University classes. Enrollment is contingent on demonstrated English language proficiency, space availability, and approval by the ALCI Chico director or academic coordinator.

### CSU, Chico International Admissions

If you would like to apply directly to California State University, Chico please visit The Office of International Education at **www.csuchico.edu/international**.

# **Housing & Travel Help**

There are several quality housing options for your consideration, including, off-campus residence halls, University apartments, private apartments, and homestays (living in a private home with a host family). Housing in the Chico area is generally less expensive than in metropolitan areas of California. It is relatively easy to find housing on or near campus.

The easiest way to reach Chico is to fly into Sacramento International Airport (airport code SMF). Airport shuttle services are available from the Sacramento Airport.

As you prepare your application, please contact us so we can help you with your travel and housing questions. You will find complete housing and travel information at **rce.csuchico.edu/alci/housing**.



The best part about ALCI Chico is the friendly community they create for international students. Beyond learning about language and culture I was able to understand the academic expectations and integrate into the American university system as I prepared for my graduate studies at Chico State. Chico is a great place to pursue your academic dreams and become successful!

Victor O.



#### PHOTOS:

- 8) You can actively participate in the American university classroom
- 9) Join our recreational leaders in fun learning activities
- 10) You will find the Chico campus a friendly place to be
- 11) Work out at the recreation center on campus



#### CHICO, CALIFORNIA

Chico's excellent location is only a few hours away from many popular tourist areas in California.

• Sacramento (90mi/144km) Visit the State Capitol building, shop in Old Sacramento and downtown, or visit one of the museums.

• Lake Tahoe (150mi/241km) World famous place for winter and summer recreation.

#### San Francisco (165mi/266km)

Visit the Golden Gate Bridge, Fisherman's Wharf, or Alcatraz. Ride the cable cars downtown for lunch or shopping.

#### Los Angeles (470mi/756km)

Visit Hollywood, Disneyland, Universal Studios, Venice Beach, and much more.

Los Angeles

San Diego







#### PHOTOS:

- 12) Join our recreational counselors for local and regional tours of successful businesses
- 13) Discover the wonders of beautiful northern California and its world class skiing and snowboarding
- 14) Have fun taking part in University special events and celebrations