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UCLA **Dashew Center**
for International Students & Scholars

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Welcome to UCLA & to Los Angeles!

As you have just arrived in the city of
angels and at UCLA, join us in an
adventure during your time here!



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Who We Are

UCLA is home to more than 12,000 international students and scholars. From the moment they arrive at UCLA, the Dashew Center functions as the central hub to provide international students, scholars, and their departments with visa services, resources, support and advocacy on campus.



Values

At the center of its mission, the Dashew Center aims to serve the entire UCLA community by promoting the values of creating global connection, international understanding and cultural sensitivity.

Services

Our department is divided into four specialized units (F-1 visa, J-1 visa, Employment-Based and Programming), which all work together to support the international community with a variety of services and resources. Our staff serves the UCLA community with essential support, from assisting with visa-related services to providing counseling, and programs & events designed to welcome students and scholars on their journey at UCLA.

Dashew Center Programs

Provide opportunities for international students, scholars, faculty, staff and community members to:

- Develop their cross-cultural learning
- Adjust to life and culture at UCLA, in LA, and in the U.S.
- Develop and practice languages
- Foster a sense of community and belonging at UCLA
- Facilitate the building of friendships between people from around the world and more!



On-Going Programs:



International Ambassadors Program



English Language Circle

Visa Services

F-1 Visa Unit:

- Provides eligible F-1 visa students with the I-20 form needed to apply for the F-1 visa stamp at a U.S. embassy once the student is accepted at UCLA.
- Assists with F-1 visa related services such as travel authorization, employment authorization, and support letters.
- Ensures that all F-1 students and scholars are in compliance with the F-1 visa requirements.
- Prepares and issues necessary documentation for CPT and OPT employment authorizations of eligible F-1 visa students.

J-1 Visa Unit:

- Provides eligible international students and scholars with the DS-2019 Certificate of Eligibility form needed to apply for the J-1 visa stamp at a U.S. embassy.
- J-1 visa related services such as travel authorization, employment authorization, and support letters.
- Ensures that J-1 students and scholars are in compliance with the J-1 visa requirements.

Employment-Based Unit:

- Provides employment-based visa and immigration services to UCLA departments and units to ensure compliance with law and regulations.
- Assists in obtaining employment authorization for individuals whom departments wish to hire, or to extend their employment at UCLA if they are already employed, authorized by a status which will expire.
- Advises on immigration regulations and visa options. We oversee the preparation and filing of petitions and applications with the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), the Department of Labor (DOL) and other government agencies, to obtain the necessary employment authorization.

