

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS & MULTILINGUALISM

International students bring much **linguistic diversity** to UCLA.

- **95%** of international students **speak more than one language**.
- International students collectively speak **more than 100 languages** from around the world.

### LANGUAGES SPOKEN BY INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS RANKED BY NUMBER OF SPEAKERS

Source: Dashe Center Biennial Survey of International Students, 2019-2020

Rank	Languages	% Total Languages Spoken	% Students Speaking This Language
1	Chinese (Mandarin)	33.1%	52.0%
2	Hindi	8.8%	13.8%
3	Spanish	6.7%	10.6%
4	French	6.6%	10.4%
5	Korean	5.5%	8.6%
6	Chinese (Cantonese)	5.0%	7.8%
7	Japanese	4.5%	7.1%
8	I only speak English.	3.0%	4.7%
9	German	2.5%	3.9%
10	Indonesian	1.6%	2.5%
11	Arabic	1.2%	1.9%
11	Hokkien	1.2%	1.9%
11	Marathi	1.2%	1.9%
12	Tamil	1.1%	1.8%
13	Italian	1.1%	1.7%
13	Russian	1.1%	1.7%
13	Turkish	1.1%	1.7%
14	Malay	1.0%	1.5%
15	Kannada	0.9%	1.4%
15	Telugu	0.9%	1.4%
16	Bengali	0.8%	1.3%
17	Gujarati	0.8%	1.2%
17	Thai	0.7%	1.2%
18	Urdu	0.7%	1.1%
18	Vietnamese	0.7%	1.1%
19	Farsi	0.6%	1.0%
20	Dutch	0.5%	0.7%

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20	Malayalam	0.4%	0.7%
20	Punjabi	0.4%	0.7%
21	Hebrew	0.4%	0.6%
22	Tagalog	0.3%	0.5%
23	Greek	0.3%	0.4%
23	Burmese	0.2%	0.4%
24	Catalan	0.2%	0.3%
24	Sanskrit	0.2%	0.3%
24	Teochew	0.2%	0.3%
25	Croatian	0.1%	0.2%
25	Danish	0.1%	0.2%
25	Kazakh	0.1%	0.2%
25	Nepali	0.1%	0.2%
25	Norwegian	0.1%	0.2%
25	Polish	0.1%	0.2%
25	Serbian	0.1%	0.2%
25	Sindhi	0.1%	0.2%
25	Wu Chinese	0.1%	0.2%
25	Albanian	0.1%	0.2%
25	Armenian	0.1%	0.2%
25	Bulgarian	0.1%	0.2%
25	Creole	0.1%	0.2%
25	Khmer	0.1%	0.2%
25	Oriya	0.1%	0.2%
25	Swedish	0.1%	0.2%
26	Afrikaans	0.1%	0.1%
26	Czech	0.1%	0.1%

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26	Hakka	0.1%	0.1%
26	Hausa	0.1%	0.1%
26	Irish	0.1%	0.1%
26	Javanese	0.1%	0.1%
26	Konkani	0.1%	0.1%
26	Mongolian	0.1%	0.1%
26	Romanian	0.1%	0.1%
26	Sinhala	0.1%	0.1%
26	Tulu	0.1%	0.1%
26	Ukrainian	0.1%	0.1%
26	Yoruba	0.1%	0.1%
26	American Sign Language	0.0%	0.1%
26	Assamese	0.0%	0.1%
26	Awkeya	0.0%	0.1%
26	Azerbaijani	0.0%	0.1%
26	Basque	0.0%	0.1%
26	Belorussian	0.0%	0.1%
26	Bhojpuri	0.0%	0.1%
26	Bosnian	0.0%	0.1%
26	Cambodian	0.0%	0.1%
26	Chongqingnese	0.0%	0.1%
26	Darija	0.0%	0.1%
26	Dayak	0.0%	0.1%
26	Dusun	0.0%	0.1%
26	Estonian	0.0%	0.1%
26	Finnish	0.0%	0.1%

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26	Gallego	0.0%	0.1%
26	Georgian	0.0%	0.1%
26	Haryanavi	0.0%	0.1%
26	Hungarian	0.0%	0.1%
26	Igbo	0.0%	0.1%
26	IsiXhosa	0.0%	0.1%
26	Jamaican	0.0%	0.1%
26	Katchi	0.0%	0.1%
26	Kedayan	0.0%	0.1%
26	Khasi	0.0%	0.1%
26	Kiswahili	0.0%	0.1%
26	Kurdish	0.0%	0.1%
26	Latin	0.0%	0.1%
26	Local Dialects	0.0%	0.1%
26	Macedonian	0.0%	0.1%
26	Madagascar	0.0%	0.1%
26	Memoni	0.0%	0.1%
26	Nahuatl	0.0%	0.1%
26	Papiamentu	0.0%	0.1%
26	Setswana	0.0%	0.1%
26	Slovak	0.0%	0.1%
26	Slovenian	0.0%	0.1%
26	Sundanese	0.0%	0.1%
26	Swahili	0.0%	0.1%
26	Swiss German	0.0%	0.1%
26	Turkmen	0.0%	0.1%
26	Twi	0.0%	0.1%