

Terra Lingua USA

  summer program 

2017

Version I

SUMMER HOMESTAY!

How exciting to spend a summer abroad!

Ages 14-17

Here you will stay with a great family and learn all about the culture and customs in the U.S. BUT you will also get to do tons of fun stuff! Our families love to show their students all of the local attractions and sights.

Depending on where you stay there is always lots to see and do. In this program you'll join your fully screened host family taking part in the daily routines of an American host family.

(excursions at host family discretion. Add-on excursions are available for an upcharge)

Programs run for 2-8 weeks from June 18 to August 1.

Programs include:

- Full room and board with a fully-vetted host family
- Round trip airport transportation (local airports only)
- Insurance is mandatory and may be purchased from TLUSA
- Nonrefundable deposit is due with application. Balance due when homestay is found.

• The following states may be available:

- North Carolina
- Connecticut
- Virginia
- Maryland
- Michigan
- Ohio
- Massachusetts
- Arizona
- Florida
- Illinois
- Utah
- Oregon
- Nevada
- California
- Please note: This list is subject to change.
- States can be requested but are not guaranteed.

OUTDOOR SUMMER DAY CAMP IN CT

AGES 13-15



Experience the outdoors at this fun camp for boys and girls. Each week is a different adventure!

Located on a 280-acre Nature Preserve in central Connecticut, this camp has a working farm, lake, trails, and learning classrooms. This is an American camp and international student spots are limited per country as to not overcrowd.

Spend the summer learning and having fun!

Weekly experiences include:

- ❖ Learning how to work on a farm.
- ❖ Water Sports: swimming, kayaking, canoeing
- ❖ Fort Building: Learn how to build a fort!
- ❖ Archery
- ❖ Photography: Learn how to get great photos of nature
- ❖ Survival Skills: Learn skills necessary to survive in the wilderness.
- ❖ Rocket Building: Design and build your own rocket
- ❖ Wacky Machines: Spend a week making a variety of wacky machines
- ❖ Aikido: Learn the Japanese art of self-defense and centering your mind.
- ❖ Fishing: Fish for Largemouth Bass from a canoe
- ❖ Explorers: Learn basic camping skills
- ❖ Woodcrafting: Learn how to cut, carve and stain your own project.
- ❖ Farm Hand: Learn how to care for animals, garden and more
- ❖ Cooking and baking
- ❖ Fitness; Test your physical and mental strength
- ❖ Super Sleuth: Search, track and discover like a detective!
- ❖ Animal Science: Raise a chick of your own!



Each week a different experience is offered. Programs vary depending on week chosen.

Camp is held Monday through Friday from 9:00 to 4:00.

This is an American camp limited to no more than 12 students from each country.

Leaders in Training (SPLIT)

In this program students learn by doing. Campers train in challenging ropes courses and attend workshops on management and leadership skills, team building, and self-discovery. Students also gain hands-on experience working with younger campers as assistant counselors. Each session is built around a different course however all include Red Cross swim instruction and off-campus trips to local attractions. 3 sessions are offered, each 2 weeks and start late June through early August.

Attend 1, 2 or all 3 sessions!
This is an American camp with 90% American campers.

LEADERS IN TRAINING CAMP

BECOMING TOMORROW'S LEADERS
STUDENTS ENTERING GRADES 10 AND 11

TLUSA IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE AN EXCLUSIVE ARRANGEMENT WITH A UNIVERSITY SPONSORED SUMMER CAMP LOCATED IN CONNECTICUT FOR FUTURE LEADERS ENTERING GRADES 10 AND 11! THIS PROGRAM IS OFFERED ON A BEAUTIFUL UNIVERSITY CAMPUS LOCATED IN SUBURBAN WEST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.

What's included?

Red Cross Swim Instruction

Campers participate in a Red Cross Aquatic Leadership program and work toward – or become certified as – a water safety instructor aide. *SPLIT* campers work with the Summer Place lifeguards during the Kinderplace swim lessons, providing individualized lessons to our youngest swimmers.

Off Campus Excursions

Each session, organizers plan an off-campus trip that encourages campers to step outside of their comfort zones and open themselves up to new and varied experiences. In past summers, campers went dragon boating on the Connecticut River, hiking to Heublein Tower, and climbing at Riverfront Adventure challenge course.

A sample of session options are: (2017 to be similar)

Session I: Focuses on leadership and character where campers leave with a strong sense of responsibility, a strong work ethic, and confidence in decision making and problem solving.

Session II: Focuses on community service and includes a food drive to benefit the local food pantry. Session II: Focuses on job application and interview strategies and the university welcomes guest speakers.

Fun in the Sun – California Camps Ages 10 to 14

Animal Explorers

Spend the week exploring the wild world of animals. Campers will take a day trip to the Los Angeles Zoo and experience the wild world first hand.

Soak City Party

Are water games your idea of the best way to spend the hot summer days? Join us at the Soak City Party! Water balloons, sprinklers and swimming abound. Get excited for a fantastic day trip to Knotts Berry Farms! Beach Fun

The Sand and Sun are calling. Are you going to answer? This beachy week will bring the beach right to you, then we'll master sand castle building and dig our toes into the warm sand.

Mountain Adventure

Explore one of the greatest things about life in Southern California. A week at Mountain Adventure Camp will change how you look at the most imposing neighbor. We will go on a day trip to the beautiful Camp Nawakwa in the San Bernardino Mountains. This week is a great introduction to the opportunities at Camp Nawakwa our overnight camp facility.

Ocean Wonders

The last great frontier on earth: the deep blue sea. Shells, sharks and seaweed oh MY! A little nautical nonsense makes this week a cannot miss. Take a day trip to the magical world under the surface at the Aquarium of the Pacific

Camp counselors needed!

Camp counselors are needed for our California day camps. These are nature camps which will require counselors to be outside all day, most days. Counselors will be expected to assist other staff and campers with camp events and activities including preparation and clean up, oversight, and support.

Counselors must be at least 16 with strong English language ability. They must complete a camp application, a TLUSA application, and provide immunization records including a recent TB test. Counselors over 18 will require a background check from their home country.

Counselors are required to attend for the entire length of the camp from June 12 to July 22. The first week will be a mandatory training.

Counselors are expected to work Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 4:30pm.

They will spend evenings and weekends with their homestay families.

Entire 6 week cost: TBD

Contact us for details!

CALIFORNIA ESL CAMPS

AGES 16+

CAMP I

Year round Sessions begin every 2 weeks Homestay

Tourist and F1 Visa programs

In these programs, students spend weekdays in a classroom setting learning English. After class and on weekends they will spend time with their host families. Families do take students to local sights at their discretion, however if a student wants a guarantee to visit a specific place, they should purchase the add-on excursion.

Class Choices

American Explorer

Classes are half-day (8:00 to 11:30) during weekdays and require only a tourist visa! The focus is casual, easy to learn English teaching. This class prepares students for traveling and general conversation. Classes are held from beginner to master and assessed upon arrival.

Academic English

Classes are held full days (8:30 to 4:00) during weekdays and require an F1 visa. The program caters to students seeking admission to a college or university outside of their home country and provides the English language and academic skills they need to accomplish their goal. Complete Level 112 of the program and receive an official certificate recognized by more than 650 colleges and universities confirming that the student has achieved the English language proficiency required for admission. Classes are held from beginner to master and assessed upon arrival.

Semi-Intensive English

Classes are held half day (8:30 to 12:30) during weekdays and require an F1 visa. The development of important language skills and elements, such as listening, speaking, pronunciation and vocabulary, allows students to communicate accurately and effectively. Classes are held from beginner to master and assessed upon arrival.

Program runs all year with start dates approximately every 4 weeks. Unlike other ESL programs, here you can add-on excursions to local sights such as:

Knott's Berry Farm, Disneyland, Water park, Universal Studios, LA/Hollywood Tour, Campus Tour, Sea World, Six Flags, Museums/Science Center, Shopping, San Diego, San Francisco, Las Vegas and many more!

CALIFORNIA ESL CAMPS AGES 18+

CAMP II

Sessions begin every 4 weeks
Homestay

F1 Visa programs

Classes held in one of four southern California locations including Los Angeles! With convenient class schedules and affordable English programs to help students from all over the world, students can complete their English studies with confidence and satisfaction. Options include 18 hours/week classroom time (F1visa required) for the following:

7 ESL levels Conversational English Business English
TOEFL, TOEIC, GMAT Test Prep

Combinations of 24 or 36 hours per week are offered as well as private lessons. Also, a discount is applied to the tuition if you take two programs at the same time!
3 sessions are offered daily and you can combine any sessions to reach your goal faster!

Morning session: 9:00 a.m. - 12:36 p.m. (18 hours)

Afternoon session: 1:30 p.m. - 5:06 p.m. (18 hours)

Evening session: 6:00 p.m. - 9:36 p.m. (18 hours)

Students also enjoy a variety of activities such as making movies, annual Beach Luau, and playing in Soccer, Basketball, and Beach Volleyball Tournaments. Homestay offers the cultural enrichment and family atmosphere making a well-rounded program.

ESL CALIFORNIA SUMMER SPECIAL

CAMP PLUS EXCURSIONS!
AGES 11-17

Terra Lingua is proud to offer the following summer ESL camp. Located in Sunny California 40 minutes west of Los Angeles, this camp is open to individual and groups.

Students ages 11 to 17 of all proficiency levels are welcomed to apply. This is an international camp however each student is assigned an American buddy.

Camp I: Session One: 7/10 to 7/14 Session Two: 7/17 to 7/21

Camp II: Session One: 7/24 to 7/28 Session Two: 7/31 to 8/4

Classes held 8:00am to 3:00pm (return may vary with excursion)

Held on a lovely private school campus, the focus of this camp is to provide middle and high school learners with confidence in reading, writing and conversational proficiency. Each day new vocabulary is added and their American buddy will assist them in using these new words. Campers will also be able to study in grade level classes similar to an American F1 school. Campers studying in two camp sessions will be given an opportunity to present their experience and learning in a capstone project at the end of the second session.

A snack and lunch will be served daily.

Campers will be taken on 2-3 weekly excursions to sporting events, campus tours, beach, science museum, art museum, hiking, cooking and art classes and more! This is included in the camp price.

Students spend evenings and weekends with their host families.

Group packages for this camp still available! Book now before spots fill.



DIGITAL FILMMAKING

3 sessions are available:

Introduction- 1 week session

Intermediate- 2-week session

Advanced- 4-week session

Sessions begin in January 2017 and run all year!

Ages 14-17



Digital Filmmaking sessions offer students the opportunity to explore the art of storytelling. Participants will work collaboratively to develop and produce a narrative/documentary short film in English. Every student will gain valuable knowledge and skills in filmmaking fundamentals such as cinematography, screenwriting, directing, and editing. This will build confidence in their abilities and cultivate their unique vision.

Classes are taught by industry professionals who have worked on many Hollywood movies!

Students will learn:

Team Work

Industry Technology

Filmmaking Techniques

- Directing- Cinematographer - Camera Assistant - Sound Recordist - Boom Operator- Story Development - Storyboarding- Screenwriting- Editing- Lighting- Sound

Daily Film Review

Film Genres

Film History

Each student will be assigned various crew positions to produce one short narrative/documentary film to premiere on the last day of camp.

Participants will live with a local host family and attend class 3 to 5 hours per day.

TWO EXCURSIONS ARE INCLUDED to places such as:

Disneyland

Universal Studios

Los Angeles Tour

Beach

Shopping

Safety and wellbeing

Student safety and wellbeing is our highest priority in every program. We understand that while students are excited parents can be concerned about the whole idea of sending their child abroad.

We, of course, understand.

Being a small, family-run organization we take personal responsibility for each student in our programs. Many of us are parents ourselves and understand. It's a big step!

We are a United States Department of State designated J1 visa sponsor. Regulations in this program are the strictest around. Many sponsors running programs that are not J visa such as summer, short term and F visa cut corners, ignore safety concerns, and simply just want to place as many students as possible. We feel this is not the way to do things. In fact, we use the strict J visa regulations in every single one of our programs. You are not just a number, not just a student. You are a young adult, and a son, daughter, niece, nephew and grandchild and you deserve the best, safest program we can give you.

We do this by:

- Preparing you prior to departure by providing orientation materials that discuss important things like finances, expectations, and guidance.
- Only working with established overseas partners.
- Ensuring that host families are thoroughly screened in their homes and provide you with information about them prior to your arrival.
- Providing you with a local Representative available 24/7 for close contact and advice.
- Representatives speak with you and your host family monthly and complete a report which is sent to the overseas partner for natural parents to see.
- Representatives meet with you several times during your stay to ensure physical wellness.
- Providing you with a comprehensive medical and baggage insurance.
- Training our staff and coordinators on a regular basis.
- Regularly monitoring government travel warnings.

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- * Your first step in the application process is to visit the partner who provided you this information. Depending on which program you are applying for, they will provide you with costs, dates and the correct application.
- * The next step is to complete the application and attend any interviews/orientations. Once complete, your application and applicable deposit will be forwarded to us. We will then review it and determine acceptance.
- * We will then begin to look for a great host family that is best suited for you! We will then send their details to the partner organization and you can begin communicating right away.
- * Once you arrive you will be greeted by your Representative and provided with an orientation.
- * You'll continue to be supported by a network of people until your program ends.
- * It's easy!

You are not a number !

Frequently Asked Questions



Is my state of choice guaranteed?

Depends. Some programs are only offered in select states, others may have more flexibility. For the F program, other factors such as the preferred state(s), school size, etc. may be provided to us.

Am I eligible to apply to go on exchange?

If you meet our eligibility requirements on page 4 then, yes! you can apply with confidence.

Are there language requirements?

It depends on the program. Private schools may have minimum requirements but we'll let you know right away what those are.

Who will I stay with while on exchange?

You will live with a host family eager to share their life with a teenager

like you. You may live in any part of the U.S. and you may have more than one host family during your experience.

Will I have to repeat my school year when I get home?

Maybe yes. Maybe no. This is a decision to be made in consultation with your school or education authority and your parents. It is important to speak with your school early on in the process about how being an exchange student will impact upon your Enrollment.

What will my host family be like and how are they selected?

Host families come in all shapes and sizes - just as they do at home. Your host family might be like your family at home or maybe not. It could be two parents and teenage children, a single parent, an older couple or a childless couple.

Whatever their configuration, you can feel confident that they have been selected just for you and are just as excited to have you as you are to come!

What support will I get while on the

program?

A local Representative is assigned to you and you will meet him/her upon your arrival. They will be your support person and there to assist you. Of course, your host family is your first point of contact but should you have further concerns or need someone else to talk to, that is what they are there for!

What is expected of me?

Taking yourself out of your comfort zone means being responsible and making decisions for yourself - within the context of the rules and regulations of the program. You are expected to live as a local and it will be up to you to make adjustments in order to integrate into your host family and community. You will need to be open-minded, non-judgmental, patient and fair.

What do your programs include?

All of our programs include full room and board, school costs, medical insurance (offered), and ground transportation. You are responsible for airfare, money for personal items, and sending money.

Will I have my own room?

In most programs and cases, yes, you will have your own room. There are sometimes where you may have to share a room with another teen. Careful thought is used during these situations and we guarantee that the other teen will be within 3 years of your age, same gender, and you will never be placed in a home with a student from the same country.