



Student Services Information

- **ADMISSIONS & RECORDS | 805-378-1429**
 Provides support for admissions, registration, and maintenance of all student records.
- **ACCESS (DISABLED STUDENT SERVICES) | 805-378-1461**
 Assures all classes, activities, and facilities are accessible to all students
- **CAREER CENTER | 805-378-1536**
 Assists students with major and career exploration and job placement information
- **CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER | 805-378-1401**
 Provides emphasis on active, hands-on learning, and serves as a preschool for children of the community, registered students, faculty and staff
- **COUNSELING | 805-378-1428**
 Provides resources to help students achieve their academic, career, and transfer goals.
- **EOPS | 805-378-1464**
 Extended Opportunities Programs & Services provides services to motivate eligible students to complete their college education.
- **FINANCIAL AID | 805-378-1462**
 Assists students with financial aid.
 Complete your FAFSA at : fafsa.ed.gov
- **INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM | 805-378-1414**
 Provides assistance to international students that wish to continue their education in the United States.
- **LIBRARY | 805-378-1450**
 A community resource for education, research information, and continuing education.
- **MC FOUNDATION | 805-378-1550**
 Provides scholarships to Moorpark College students.
- **SCHOLARSHIPS | 805-378-1418**
 Assists currently enrolled students with financial assistance, recognition, and encouragement needed to realize their academic goals.
- **STUDENT ACTIVITIES (ASSOCIATED STUDENTS) | 805-378-1434**
 Provides extracurricular activities that promote campus community involvement and personal development.
- **STUDENT BUSINESS OFFICE | 805-378-1437**
 Provides financial services including receiving payment for all student fees.
- **STUDENT HEALTH CENTER | 805-378-1413**
 Provides medical care/information about health concerns to currently enrolled students.
- **TEACHING AND LEARNING CENTER | 805-378-1403**
 Assist students with the skills necessary to succeed in college. Also provides free tutoring services for Moorpark College students.
- **TRANSFER CENTER | 805-378-1536**
 Explores transfer options and helps students prepare for transfer to a university.



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On behalf of Moorpark College, it is my pleasure to welcome all new, continuing, and returning International Students (IS) to an exciting Fall 2016 Semester and our very first edition of the International Student Program Newsletter. This year we have over 100 students from 42 countries joining us. We are so pleased that you are here! You have chosen a great college, a college ranked fourth in the nation by Huffington Post in March 2015, committed to your success and well-being. At Moorpark College you will find phenomenal faculty, staff, and administrators who are eager to welcome you and dedicated to making your transition to our college as smooth and seamless as possible. The office of International Student Program (ISP) is located in Fountain Hall 118. Please stop by to take advantage of a variety of resources that are available to you to ensure that your time here is productive on both a personal and academic level.



The International Student team is committed to simplifying and enriching your experience. An integral member on this team is Stacey Chen, who serves as the International Student Specialist. In her short time at Moorpark College, Stacey has been remarkable in advising international students, planning the orientation, helping students understand and maintain the appropriate visa status, and processing the necessary official documents.

To all the faculty and staff, we would like to extend an invitation to the many activities and events we have scheduled for our International Students for this upcoming semester. We hope that you join us in welcoming and showing support to our International Students and Moorpark's International Students Program.

On behalf of Moorpark College, my staff and I wish you a very successful school year. We look forward to getting to know you better and working with you throughout the upcoming year.

Amanuel Gebru
 Dean of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Meet Our Staff & Faculty

Welcome to Moorpark College, the fourth-best community college in the nation, based on the Huffington Post in March of 2015.

It has an excellent reputation for university transfer preparation, and its signature career/technical programs include nursing, radiation technology, biotechnology, and exotic animal training, which incorporates the world-renowned America's Teaching Zoo.

The college also offers a dynamic range of classes and programs in the visual and performing arts, and its pristine athletic fields and mild climate provide an excellent home for our student athletes. Our goal at

the International Student Office is to equip our students so that they can make a successful transition to a four-year-college. Students can complete their general education courses and major preparation courses while adjusting to life in the United States. As the International Student Office, we are here to ensure that our students make that transition as effortlessly as possible. Our program ensures that our students meet with counselors at least once a semester in order to make sure that they are on track to complete their educational goals.

Overall, Moorpark College puts its students first, always and naturally, that philosophy is what drives our International Student program.



Stacey Chen
International Student Specialist

The first time I traveled overseas, I was 14 years old. I spent a month in France eating pastries, visiting castles, and practicing my freshman French with cute boys. I didn't know it then, but I was also learning about the world in ways my peers at home could not. I was formulating a world view of inclusivity, curiosity, and wonder. Since that first trip, I have traveled to England, Italy, Greece, Spain, Portugal, Morocco, Turkey, Egypt, Israel, and Jordan. And I'm proud to say that I am still learning about the world.

That is why I so respect and value the international students at Moorpark College. For you, the experience must be daunting and I marvel at

your courage and applaud your sense of adventure and commitment to education. But you're not just receiving an education here at Moorpark, you are also contributing to the education of all of our students on campus. Your presence enhances our classrooms. Your insight and background add new perspectives to class discussions. While not all of our students have the ability to study abroad, your friendship helps to broaden their worldview and encourages them to become a better global citizen.

Welcome to the Moorpark College family. I wish you all the best!

Patty Colman
History Professor



DID YOU KNOW?

- Moorpark College was founded in 1967 and we are beginning to celebrating our 50th Anniversary. We were recognized by the Huffington Post (3/2015) as 4th Best Community College in the nation.
- Moorpark College has over 13,000 students with over 90 International students.
- Our college has a student to teacher ratio of 37:1.
- MC President Luis Sanchez holds a monthly reception with our International Students.
- Moorpark College has an excellent reputation for university transfer preparation.
- Our college has a world-renowned Teaching Zoo offering Exotic Animal Training & Mangement.

Important Dates & Information

FALL 2016

- New Students Orientation.....August 11
- First Day of Classes.....August 17
- Last Day to Drop with Full RefundAugust 26
- International Education WeekNovember 14 - 18
- Finals WeekDecember 12 - 16
- Winter BreakDecember 17 - January 8

Spring 2017

- New Students Orientation.....January 4
- First Day of Classes.....January 9
- Spring Break.....March 13 - 17
- Finals Week May 15 - 19

TO REGISTER

In order to register for the following semester, International Students are required to bring in a Registration Approval Form, signed by a Counselor - Forms can be picked up in the International Students' Office.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

Any changes of address for International Students should be submitted to the International Students' Office NOT Registration & Records.

REQUEST TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

Students must remember to request documents (travel documents...etc) early as it takes 48 hours to process them.

LEGAL STATUS

In order to remain in legal status, International Students must maintain full-time student status or 12 units. Please be sure to notify the International Student Advisor BEFORE you make any schedule changes.

QUESTIONS?

Be sure to stop by the International Students' Office if you have any questions at all. If you have any doubts about anything at all, come on in and ask or send an email.



Welcome to Moorpark College!

Fall 2016 incoming class of International Students



International Student Orientation

The new students orientation day for Fall 2016 took place on July 18, 2016.

This year, we received students from Malaysia, France, Switzerland, Vietnam, China, Korea, Portugal, Colombia, Thailand, Jordan, and India.

This day is important and required for all international students, prior to registration. Our professional staff team did some interactive

presentations to show new incoming students how to maintain their legal visa status, get an insurance, register for classes, get a job on campus, become a member of our sport teams, and more.

Members of the International Students Organization also did a short presentation to show new students how to be part of clubs and organizations based on their interests, and be active on campus.

All incoming students during this day took the English and Math placement test, before we arranged an appointment for each student with a counselor.

By the end of the day, students received a campus tour to introduce them to the services available on campus.



New International Students complete their student success requirements during their orientation.



Dean Gebru addresses the incoming international students during orientation.



Counselor Donny Munshower explaining the Associate Degree components during orientation

International Student Organization Update

My name is Rifaat Kouaider and I'm studying computer engineering. I've been here in the US for the last 3 years. Since I came to the U.S., I insisted on studying hard in order to prove myself in this country, where competition can be felt in all aspects of life. I was able to maintain good academic performance, along with an on-campus job and some fun on my free time to explore the beauty of California with native Californians and other international students that I met on campus. In order to participate in helping other students enjoy their academic experience and succeed in the U.S., I decided to run for the V.P. position of the "International Students Organization" (ISO) on

campus. In our organization, we make sure that every international student gets help regarding any difficulties he or she is facing. In our monthly meetings, we bring in specialized staff to talk about different topics to make sure that students get the most out of the available services on campus. In addition to that, we make outdoor activities on a monthly basis. Our most recent activity was a hiking to the Hollywood Sign, followed by a lunch in Glendale city, with 28 international and local students.

The International Student Organization usually meets once a week. The date is determined by the students' availability.



Rifaat Kouaider

Our vibrant International Student Organization is always busy. Not only do students participate in a variety of on-campus events, such as Multicultural Day, they also head off-campus to explore the beautiful sights of California.

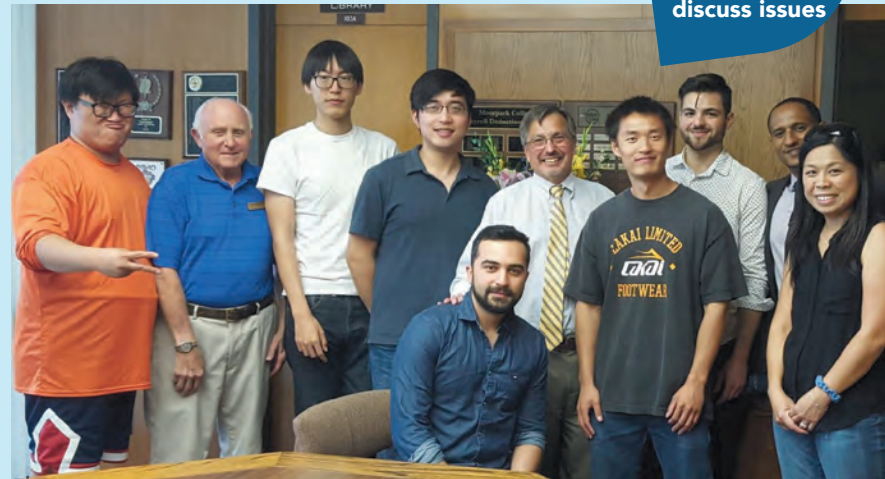
Here, students are seen kayaking off of the Channel Islands coast



Transfer & Graduating Students

We would like to congratulate our students who are transferring to some of California's most prestigious universities as well as those who are transferring to out-of-state schools.

Moorpark College International Students celebrated the 2105-2016 Graduation/ Transfer party with the President, Dr. Luis Sanchez and the IS-Officer. They shared their future plans and thanked the school for being supportive to them and to their goals. Some of the students promised to be in touch with the school to share their achievements in the future. Our International students have been accepted to a number of prestigious schools including UCLA, UC Berkeley and Cal Poly Pomona.



International students meet with President Sanchez to discuss issues

TRANSFER HIGHLIGHTS

Moorpark College International Students are Transferring to...

UC Berkeley • UC Davis • UC Irvine

Cal State Northridge • Cal Poly Pomona

San Diego University • University of Utah • University of Colorado

Scholarship Updates

The Moorpark College Scholarship Office with the support of the Moorpark College Foundation and our community donors, provides hundreds of students with the financial assistance, recognition and encouragement needed to realize their academic goals. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic excellence and the promise of future achievement, as well as additional criteria established by the scholarship donor. Here at Moorpark College, our International Students are eligible for almost scholarships unless they are specifically designated for students who have graduated from a particular high school. We encourage our International Students to participate in campus activities as a large number of our scholarships ask students to demonstrate involvement in campus life.



Javier Berjon de La Parra

CONGRATULATIONS to these 2016 Scholarship Recipients

Yongun Ahn • Javier Berjon de La Parra
 Kouame Konan • Yuki Muranaka • Son Ly
 Alexa Jane Van Leeuwen • Yevhen Voitiuk



The International Students hiked up to the Hollywood Sign earlier in the Spring Semester

International Students sharing their traditional clothes for the annual celebration of Multicultural Day at Moorpark College



The IS club along with local students went paint-balling together as part of the monthly outdoor activities

