

STUDY IN THE U.S.A.

Seattle, Washington



International Education Programs





Every year, 10,000 American students and 1,500 international students from more than 65 countries choose Seattle Central.

- A wide variety of educational programs and opportunities
- Pathways to a university degree
- Internships in high-demand fields
- Highly-qualified faculty
- Low-cost tuition and access to scholarships
- Small classes with personal attention
- Outstanding services, facilities and activities
- Many housing options
- Great location in downtown Seattle

"Seattle Central has a diverse and warm atmosphere, with encouraging instructors. I found a whole new world with individuals who have helped me view the world in a different, more open manner."

Anne-Marie Trimmell, England

- Get a bachelor's degree or a high school diploma.
- Study for just a few months.
- Train for a new career or upgrade professional skills.
- Improve your English.

We have what you're looking for!

Seattle Central Institute of English (SCIE)

Enjoy small classes and fun and challenging activities while you learn. SCIE offers six levels of instruction.

Intensive English (Levels 1–3) Make quick progress in our structured, results-oriented program focusing on reading, grammar, writing, speaking, and listening.

Advanced English (Levels 4–5) ESL plus a variety of stimulating language electives geared especially to the needs and interests of international students.

College Bridge (CB4–CB6) Take the language classes you need along with the college classes you want, and earn transferable college credit at the same time.

Fast Track: High School Completion

Seattle Central's Fast Track program allows highly capable and motivated students who have not graduated from high school to satisfy the requirements for a Washington State (U.S.) high school diploma while earning transferable college credit. Students who enroll in this unique program can save tuition costs and time by earning both the associate's degree and the high school diploma at the same time.

College Transfer

This "2 + 2" program allows you to study for two years at Seattle Central and get your Associate of Arts (A.A.) or Associate of Science (A.S.) degree. Then you transfer to a university for two more years and receive your bachelor's degree.

Here's how you benefit from our program:

Low cost Seattle Central tuition is less expensive than four-year colleges and universities. By studying at Seattle Central for your first two years, you will save thousands of dollars.

Small class size Introductory courses at public universities often have hundreds of students in them. Seattle Central's class sizes range from 25–40 students.

Easy transfer to university Students who complete the two-year degree can transfer to hundreds of four-year colleges and universities in Washington state and throughout the United States. Our international students have been admitted to many schools, including highly selective institutions such as the University of Washington, UC Berkeley, UCLA, Columbia University, Dartmouth, and Johns Hopkins University. We have GUARANTEED admission to many universities. Many international students earn scholarships to four-year colleges and universities when they transfer.

Professional/Technical Degrees and Certificates

If you aren't interested in a bachelor's degree, or if you already have one, you may want to choose from more than 25 one- and two-year career training programs in high-demand fields.

Short-Term Certificates

The Short-Term Certificate program is perfect for students who want to study in the United States for a short period of time. Study with American students, earn college credits, and receive an International Education Programs Certificate of Completion in just three months—or up to 12 months.

Volunteering and Internships

Gain the skills and work experience needed in the global business environment. Study and apply your knowledge to a real-life work setting.

Why attend Seattle Central Community College?





Location, Location, LOCATION!

Seattle, Washington



Seattle Center



Seattle waterfront, Pier 55



Mount Rainier from Elliott Bay



SEATTLE has all the attractions of a large city, while having the good fortune to be located in a beautiful natural setting—lakes and sea, countless islands, and two mountain ranges are all within easy reach.

Seattle is a safe and friendly city and is home to many large corporations such as Microsoft, Starbucks, Boeing, and Amazon.com. It has been on several national lists of "most livable" cities.

Whether you enjoy world class dining, shopping, theaters, or cheering on one of our major league sports teams, Seattle truly has something for everyone.

Take in the bustling city life or escape to the serene beauty of hiking and skiing in the nearby Cascade Mountains. Bikers, walkers, and day-trippers love to visit the surrounding islands on the United States' largest ferry boat system. Canada is only two hours away. Seattle's perfect location and incredible beauty make it a favorite city for many in the United States.

Seattle Central is the only community college whose campus is in downtown Seattle.

"I love the fact that Seattle Central has a great location. I can see the Space Needle and Mt. Rainier from the 5th floor of the main building on campus while doing my homework."

Deniece Cheney, Indonesia





Putting it all together

A wide variety of quality programs...

BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY

Seattle Central's Business and Technology programs put you on track to exciting jobs around the world in fields that are still growing and developing. Seattle is home to many IT and biotechnology firms.

Complete a degree with us and then transfer to a four-year college or university for a bachelor's degree. Or apply for Optional Practical Training and gain useful skills in your major.

College Transfer (2 years)

- Business (all fields)
- Computer Science
- Engineering (all fields)
- and other fields

Professional/Technical Degrees and Certificates (1-2 years)

- Business Information Technology
- Information Technology:
 - Applications Support
 - Database Management
 - Network Design and Administration
 - Programming
 - Web Design
 - Web Development

Short-Term Certificates (3-12 months)

- Business Administration
- Business Information Systems
- Computer Studies
- MBA Preparation

HEALTH SCIENCES & SOCIAL SERVICES

Health care is a growing world-wide industry with opportunities in both direct patient care and support occupations. Whether you plan to enter the health care field for the first time or supplement your current skills, our programs are designed to meet your needs and the demands of an expanding industry.

College Transfer (2 years)

- Deaf Studies
- Health Sciences, including:
 - Pre-Nursing
 - Pre-Dentistry
 - Pre-Medicine
 - Pre-Physical Therapy
 - Nutritional Sciences and other fields

Professional/Technical Degrees and Certificates (1-2 years)

- Chemical Dependency
- Child and Family Studies
- Dental Hygiene
- Nursing (Registered Nurse/RN)
- Opticianry
- Respiratory Care
- Social and Human Services
- Surgical Technology

Bachelor of Applied Science

- Applied Behavioral Science





LIBERAL ARTS & SCIENCES

Enroll in our two-year College Transfer program and then complete your bachelor's degree at one of thousands of four-year colleges and universities across the United States. Or earn a Short-Term Certificate while gaining cultural insights through a volunteer work experience.

College Transfer (2 years)

- Anthropology
- Biology / Biological Sciences
- Communication
- Education
- English
- Environmental Science
- History
- International Studies
- Literature
- Mathematics
- Physical Sciences (Chemistry, Physics, etc.)
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- World Languages (French, German, Spanish, Japanese)
- and other fields

Short-Term Certificates (3-15 months)

- Liberal Arts
- Modern Communication
- American Studies
- Global Studies
- General Studies

VISUAL, COMMERCIAL, & FINE ARTS

For more than 30 years, Seattle Central's arts programs have challenged students and allowed their creative talents to flourish. Our graduates have chosen a variety of career paths—from owning their own agencies to working for major corporations.

College Transfer (2 years)

- Art
- Graphic Design
- Music
- Drama
- and other fields

Professional/Technical Degrees and Certificates (1-2 years)

- Apparel Design & Development
- Cabinetmaking
- Carpentry
- Commercial Photography
- Culinary Arts
- Graphic Design
- Specialty Desserts and Breads

Short-Term Certificates (3-12 months)

- Art
- Music
- Survey of Fine Arts





At Seattle Central, we want our students to succeed, and we devote the time, energy and resources to make sure that they do.

Student Housing

The Studios on Broadway, Seattle Central's premier apartments for international students, offer secure and comfortable accommodations conveniently located across the street from our campus. The building offers many great features, including laundry rooms on each floor, on-site maintenance, wireless internet access, views of beautiful Mt. Rainier and Cal Anderson Park, and optional parking or bike storage.



Student Services

International students will find a wide range of services and resources at Seattle Central to help them succeed in their academic careers. The International Education Programs provides academic and immigration advising services, information on housing, counseling assistance, and support in adjusting to student life in Seattle.

Academic Resources

Seattle Central has a full-time counselor who works only with international students on career, educational, and personal counseling needs. Receive one-on-one assistance as you make your plans to transfer to a four-year college or university or pursue your career goals.

International Education Programs academic advisors help students select and register for classes and establish a pathway to graduation.

Seattle Central hosts International Student Transfer Fairs, allowing students to interact face-to-face with admission officers from colleges and universities across the country.

The Career Information Center and Cooperative Education/Internship staff provide assistance with personality and skills-assessments, job searches, resumes, cover letters, interview preparation, and internships. Students can also participate in local and international community service and service-learning.

Free tutoring is available in support of all Intensive English classes and many college subjects.

The large computer center, library and bookstore are convenient and accessible to students from early morning until evening.

Food, glorious food!

Meet your friends at the Atrium, a popular spot for breakfast or lunch, featuring American favorites such as burgers, deli sandwiches, and a salad bar. Or stop by "The Buzz," Seattle Central's own café, filled with freshly baked goods and pastries made by students of the Specialty Desserts and Breads program. The Buzz also offers espresso and a variety of other beverages.

In the mood for something fancier? Seattle Culinary Academy operates two full-service restaurants and a "Chef's Express" lunch line, featuring gourmet cuisine prepared by the Culinary Arts students.



There's always something to do

“Community” is not just part of our name—it’s a commitment.

Participate in interesting and enjoyable local and weekend activities with other students. Go camping, watch a movie, visit a museum, or learn to play a new sport. Free programs designed to practice English include **Conversation Partners** and **Coffee Talk**.

Take advantage of lectures, performances, and cultural celebrations at Seattle Central’s **Art Gallery**, **Erickson Theatre**, and **Broadway Performance Hall**. Artists, musicians, films, and dramatic performers enhance your education and enrich the campus environment.

The **Activity Center**, complete with weight room, racquetball/squash courts, game room, gymnasium and running track, will keep you in great shape and help you make friends.

Student Leadership can help you get involved with American students and the Seattle Central community. Here are a few examples:

- There are dozens of active **clubs and organizations** on campus every year, including the Intercultural Activities Board. Whether you are interested in sports, culture, the environment, social or other issues, chances are you’ll find a club or organization to suit your needs. You can start your own club, too.
- The Associated Student Council (**student government**) meets to address and resolve issues of importance to the Seattle Central student community. Join the ASC and let your voice be heard.
- **Student Ambassadors** provide an important link between the college and students by conducting informational sessions and outreach to incoming and current students about various services available at Seattle Central.
- Student Leadership has also pioneered the **Student Development Transcript (SDT)**, which allows you to officially document all of your leadership experiences and activities. Four-year colleges and universities often ask transfer applicants for evidence of student involvement in campus activities, and the SDT offers you a formal way to do this.

When you’ve finished your classes for the day and are ready for some fun,

you won’t have to look very far to find it. Seattle Central is located on lively Capitol Hill, and is surrounded by a variety of ethnic restaurants, cozy coffee houses, clubs, and trendy shops. If you’re looking to spend an evening at the opera or symphony, see a concert, visit museums, or watch a game played by one of Seattle’s professional sports teams, you’ll find all of these options within walking distance or a short bus ride from campus.



Farmers market Sundays at Seattle Central



Seattle Folklife Festival



Downtown Seattle



World-famous Pike Place Market

Seattle Mariners baseball



And when you want to enjoy the great outdoors...
There's no better place to be than Seattle.

Our climate is moderate, with pleasant summers and mild winters, and the air and water are exceptionally clean.

Many cities talk of their golf courses, tennis courts, and bicycle trails, and Seattle certainly has its share of those.

When you live in Seattle, you can also sail or windsurf on large lakes or the sea. Or you can hike, snowboard, or ski on some of the tallest mountains in America, go rafting in rushing rivers, camp or fish in the wilderness, or whale watch and scuba dive in waters rich with sea life.

In how many other big cities can you spend your morning studying, and be on the ski slopes or on a boat headed to a quiet island within an hour?



Does it rain a lot in Seattle? You decide!

Yearly Rainfall (mm)

Sources: www.worldclimate.com and www.bbc.co.uk/weather

Taipei, Taiwan.....	2,129
Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.....	1,905
Jakarta, Indonesia.....	1,803
Calcutta, India.....	1,626
Tokyo, Japan.....	1,524
Sao Paulo, Brazil.....	1,397
Seoul, South Korea.....	1,372
New York City, USA.....	1,270
Sydney, Australia.....	1,219
Vancouver, Canada.....	1,177
Boston, USA.....	1,092
SEATTLE.....	940
Istanbul, Turkey.....	635
Barcelona, Spain.....	584
San Francisco, USA.....	508
Los Angeles, USA.....	330
Damascus, Syria.....	178

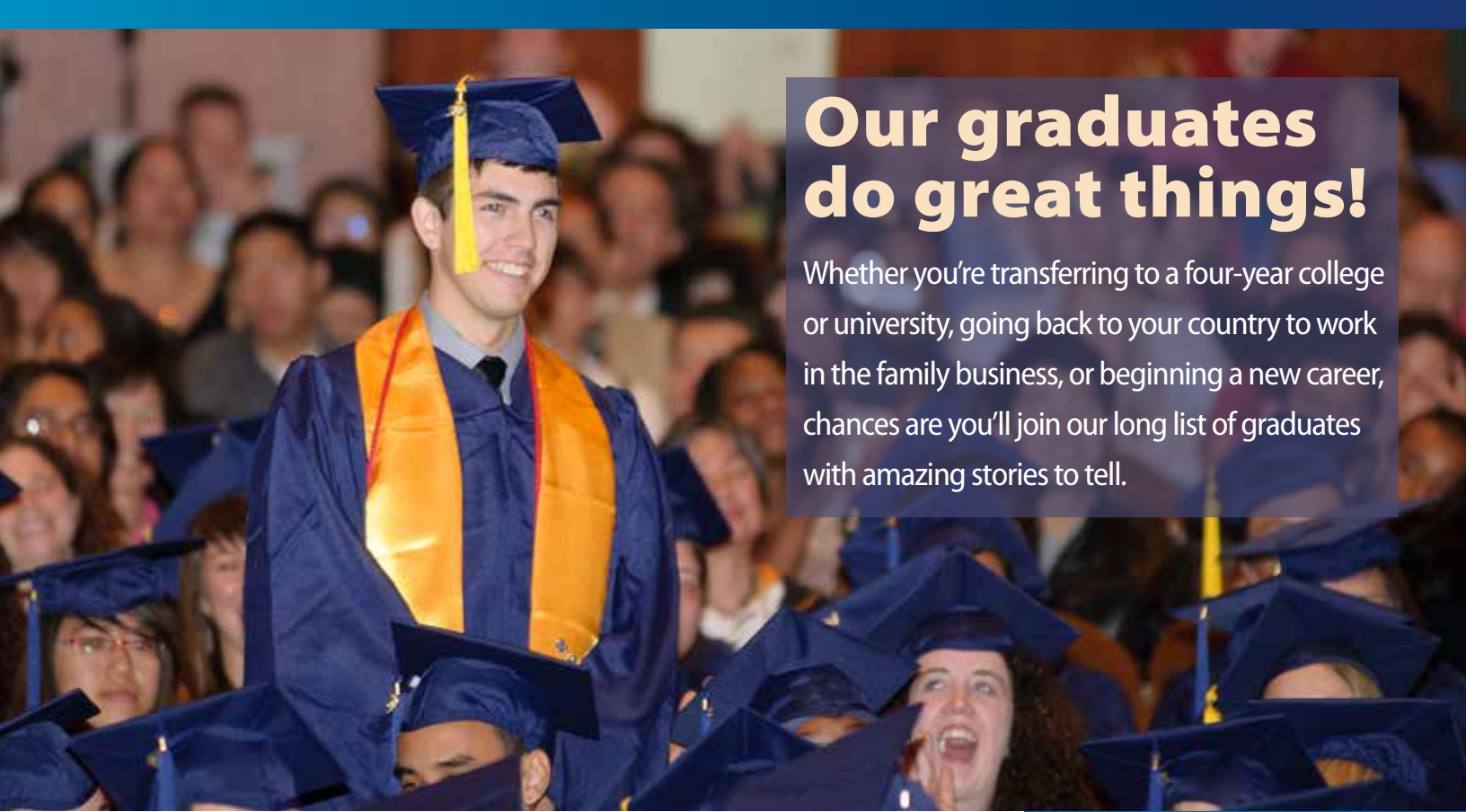


Is it cold? Does it snow?

	Average January temp (°C)	Average July temp (°C)	Days per year with snow
Boston	-1.6	23.3	42
New York City	0	24.4	28
Seattle	5	18.3	7
San Francisco	9.4	15.5	0

Sources: National Climatic Data Center, U.S. Department of Commerce and www.theweathernetwork.ca/weather





Our graduates do great things!

Whether you're transferring to a four-year college or university, going back to your country to work in the family business, or beginning a new career, chances are you'll join our long list of graduates with amazing stories to tell.

Yes, we think Seattle Central is a pretty special place. And once you get here, we think you'll agree.

We look forward to welcoming you to our campus, and to your first cup of famous Seattle coffee.



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