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WHY SAN FRANCISCO & SILICON VALLEY?

VIA hosts its programs for students from Asia in one of the world's most culturally and technologically vibrant locations.

INNOVATION DIVERSITY STARTUPS STANFORD DESIGN THINKING SOCIAL CHANGE

Day

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1:00 PM

Stanford University & San Francisco

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The American Language & Culture (ALC)

Program in Silicon Valley combines academic English classes with activities aimed at exploring contemporary American culture. The English classes, offered by the Stanford Language Center, are designed to improve students' oral communication in English and guide students in

analyzing sociocultural issues, especially current social issues in the San Francisco and Silicon Valley area. Extracurricular activities, including volunteering with local organizations and visiting Silicon Valley companies, add a rich experiential element to the students' learning.

For 40 years the ALC program has brought East Asian students together to improve their English skills, experience the American university lifestyle, and build life-long international friendships.



The ALC program opened the door to a summer school with diverse students and opportunities for thorough English practice and social communication. ALC was exactly the kind of program I was longing for. And in fact, it turned out to be one of the best decisions I have ever made... Through the program I experienced that close human connections is what can make things different."

- Heng (Denise) Tang, ALC participant



What will you do?

ENGLISH CLASSES

Improve your academic English skills through classes and lectures. Receive 3 units of credit from Stanford University upon completion of the course.

GRANIZATION VISITS

Tour an innovative company in Silicon Valley to see the region's unique work culture. Volunteer at a non-profit to gain hands-on experience with American social Issues

PROGRAM LOGISTICS

WHERE WILL I STAY?

During the program you will stay in a dormitory on the Stanford campus to experience American university life. You will live with Stanford student coordinators and other participants from across Asia.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

The program fee is \$7,100 (estimated) and includes: Stanford tuition (approximately \$3,500), dormitory housing, student meal plan, volunteer & organization visits, guest speakers, and workshops. It does not include: airfare, insurance, and optional activities.

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deadline.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Explore San Francisco, attend a major league baseball game, visit popular attractions, enjoy summer California beaches, and many more fantastic events.

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We care about getting to know YOU! Please

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Leadership & Cross-Cultural Programs Director

take time to tell us about yourself in your

Attend panels on social issues and participate in hands-on workshops to enhance your professional and intercultural skills.



ENGLISH CLASS

9:00 AM

CULTURAL ACTIVITY



CAREER PANEL



application essay.