

American Cross-Cultural Experience (ACCE)

The American Cross-Cultural Experience (ACCE) Program is only available to students at partner universities of Columbus State University. English proficient students at these institutions may enroll in full-time study (12-15 credit hours per semester) in regularly offered academic courses for one or two semesters. This will provide an opportunity for students selected at partner universities to experience a real American university, learn in an English-speaking environment and study subjects typically not offered at their home university.

The "CSU CounterParts" component matches a regular CSU student mentor (typically an International Studies Certificate student or study abroad returnee) with each ACCE student on a one-to-one basis. "CSU CounterParts" will participate in weekly student-to-student cross-cultural activities organized by the Center for Global Engagement and serve as an international "buddy," sharing knowledge of CSU, Columbus and America.

ACCE also provides extra support services and learning opportunities beyond the classroom including monthly field trips to area museums, sporting events and attractions at no additional cost. Typical field trips might include White Water Express (and the Blue Heron Zip Line), Callaway Gardens, Franklin Delano Roosevelt's "Little White House," the Martin Luther King Jr. Center, the Atlanta Aquarium, CNN, and the Atlanta Braves (baseball).

CSU will make the final determination on acceptance of students. Accepted students will follow the same process as other exchange programs.

For more information on the costs and benefits of this program contact the Center for Global Engagement at international@columbusstate.edu.

To apply please complete an [ACCE application](#).

Accepted Students applying for J-1 (exchange) visas need to provide:

1. Letter of Financial Guarantee from their home institution indicating what is covered (tuition, fees, room, meal plan). CSU will provide a form letter to your institution that they can fill in.
2. Bank statement or a letter from their bank showing proof of available personal funds for expenses not covered by the home institution (books, insurance, personal).
3. Immunizations are also required prior to the start of the semester classes. [Printable Immunization Form](#)

[Required Information for all J-1 students.](#)