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GLOBAL

Santa Clara University



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A MESSAGE FROM SUSAN POPKO, ASSOCIATE PROVOST FOR INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

Hello from California!

Santa Clara University (SCU) is a diverse global community and international students are an important part of that. We have [undergraduate and graduate students from 72 countries](#) in all academic areas. In addition, we have faculty and staff members from around the globe.

Scholars and researchers from our [partner universities](#) come to SCU to spend time teaching and researching, taking advantage of our resources on campus and in Silicon Valley. Our campus hosts international artists and performers, and we engage in international activities with partners that range from class assignment collaborations to dual degrees.

SCU's new Strategic Plan: [Impact 2030](#) includes [Strategic Priority One: Reach on a Global Scale](#). We are excited to grow global opportunities and intercultural learning for students, faculty, staff, and our global partners overseas.

I invite you to be part of our global community.

Susan Popko

Associate Provost for International Programs

CONTACT

Global Engagement is the central hub for campus internationalization at Santa Clara University. Learn more about our [mission, vision, values, programs, and team](#) on our website. Our study abroad team supports students in finding a program abroad that fits with academic, personal, and professional goals. SCU Study Abroad offers students a variety of programs to choose from in the summer, fall, winter, and spring terms.

Connect with us:

- Associate Provost: associateprovostglobal@scu.edu
- International Students & Scholars: iss@scu.edu
- SCU Study Abroad: studyabroad@scu.edu

ENGAGE

At SCU, we invite you to consider collaborative projects with us. We are eager to discuss new ideas, and examples of projects and programs include:

- Student Exchange
- Collaborative on-line teaching
- Undergraduate to graduate admission pipeline programs
- Dual degrees
- [Visit Us](#)

ABOUT SCU

Santa Clara University is California's oldest operating institution of higher learning. Since opening our doors in 1851, SCU has evolved in many ways. Today, SCU enrolls 9,000 undergraduate and graduate students from all over the world.

LOCATION

Santa Clara is located at the southern tip of the San Francisco Bay. We are adjacent to San Jose, the 13th largest city in the U.S. with a population of about 1 million people and one hour south of San Francisco, the 17th largest city in the U.S.

San Jose is a highly multicultural city. Among our international populations are Mexican, Central American, Portuguese and Azorian, Chinese, Japanese, and the largest Vietnamese population outside of Vietnam. The area known as "Silicon Valley" is the Santa Clara Valley, which runs from San Jose to the area north on the Peninsula. Many significant scientific and technological advances of our age have come from this region, in fields such as computing, engineering, and law. We are located 10 minutes from San Jose International Airport and 45 minutes from San Francisco International Airport.





RANKINGS

No. 60

U.S. News & World Report, No. 60,
Top 15% of National Universities

No. 13

U.S. News & World Report, No. 13 for
Undergraduate Teaching, 2024

No. 8

Payscale Best Private Universities by
Salary Potential, No. 8, 93% Student
Retention Rate, 2023

No. 1

2021 Women's Soccer National Collegiate
Athletics Association Champions

No. 14

U.S. News & World Report, No. 14,
Executive MBA Program

GETTING HERE

INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS

- Mineta San Jose International Airport (SJC)
- San Francisco International Airport (SFO)
- Oakland International Airport (OAK)

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

- [Alameda Contra Costa Transit](#)
- [Santa Clara Valley Transit Authority](#)
- [Bay Area Rapid Transit \(BART\)](#)
- [Caltrain](#)
- [Metro Light Rail](#)



WEATHER

Santa Clara enjoys about 300 days of sunshine per year. Average temperatures:

- January 42–60°F (5–15°C)
- April 49–70°F (9–21°C)
- July 58–84°F (14–28°C)
- October 53–76°F (11–24°C)

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Santa Clara University sits on the land of the Ohlone and the Muwekma Ohlone people, who trace their ancestry through the Missions Dolores, Santa Clara, and San Jose. We remember their connection to this region and give thanks for the opportunity to live, work, learn and pray on their traditional homeland.

MISSION SANTA CLARA

Santa Clara University sits on the ancestral lands of the Ohlone people, and is located on the site of one of the Spanish Missions that were established in the eighteenth century by Franciscan missionaries. The missions were designed by artisans from Mexico and forcibly built and maintained by Native Californians. The missions occupy an important place in Californian history, and SCU embraces our responsibility to educate our community about the legacies of colonialism on Indigenous Californians.

[Visit the Ohlone Heritage Hub webpage](#), which provides guidance and resources for learning and teaching about Ohlone people, heritage, and history. [Visit the Muwekma Ohlone Preservation Foundation website](#) to learn how Ohlone tribal members are currently working hard on issues of critical importance to their families, tribal groups, and the broader community, such as cultural resource management work, language revitalization, land rematriation, and appealing for restoration of federal recognition.

JESUIT IDENTITY AND VALUES

SCU belongs to a [worldwide network](#) of Catholic Jesuit universities. The Jesuit pedagogical tradition is about educating the whole person, mind, body, and soul, and preparing students to create a more just, humane, and sustainable world. This means that students are challenged to move out of the classroom and into experiential learning opportunities. Our SCU teaching and learning community focuses on educating future leaders to understand the moral and ethical implications of issues and work towards solutions for real-world problems.

Learn more about the [Jesuit Catholic tradition](#) and the [SCU Mission, Vision, and Values](#) on our website.

DEGREES & PROGRAMS

†NOTE: not all programs are available to F-1 and J-1 students. [Learn more on our International Admission Information webpage.](#)

*Program is eligible for STEM OPT extension for international students

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES OFFERED

Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Science
Bachelor of Science in Commerce

GRADUATE DEGREES OFFERED

Law (J.D., LL.M.)
Business (MBA, MS)
Engineering (M.S., Ph.D.)
Counseling Psychology (M.A.)
Education (M.A., Ed.D.)
Pastoral Ministries (M.A.)
Jesuit School of Theology (M.A., M.Div, M.T.S., Th.M., S.T.D.)

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Anthropology
Art History
Biochemistry*
Biology*
Chemistry*
Child Studies
Classics
Communication
Computer Science*
Economics
Engineering Physics*
English
Environmental Studies*
Environmental Science*
Ethnic Studies
French & Francophone Studies
History
Individual Studies

Italian Studies
Mathematics*
Music
Neuroscience*
Philosophy
Physics*
Political Science
Psychology
Public Health Science
Religious Studies
Sociology
Spanish Studies
Studio Art
Theatre Arts
Women's and Gender Studies

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

Bioengineering*
Civil Engineering*
Computer Science and Engineering*
Electrical and Computer Engineering*
Electrical Engineering*
General Engineering*
Mechanical Engineering*
Web Design and Engineering*

LEAVEY SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Accounting
Accounting & Information Systems*
Economics
Finance
Individual Studies
Management & Entrepreneurship
Management Information Systems*
Marketing

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

LEAVEY SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Business Administration
STEM Business Administration*
Business Analytics*
Finance and Analytics*
Information Systems*
Marketing
4+1 Master of Science Programs

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

M.S. PROGRAMS

Aerospace Engineering*
Applied Mathematics*
Bioengineering*
Civil Engineering*
Computer Science and Engineering*
Electrical and Computer Engineering*
Engineering Management and Leadership*
Mechanical Engineering*
Power Systems and Sustainable Energy*
Robotics and Automation*

ACCELERATED B.S./M.S. PROGRAM FOR ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE

Bioengineering*
Civil Engineering*
Computer Science and Engineering*
Electrical and Computer Engineering*
Engineering Management and Leadership*
Mechanical Engineering*
Power Systems and Sustainable Energy*

PH.D. PROGRAMS

Bioengineering
Computer Science and Engineering
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Mechanical Engineering

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY

MASTER'S PROGRAMS

Counseling
Counseling Psychology
Educational Leadership
Teaching and Teaching Credential (MATTC)

SCHOOL OF LAW

Juris Doctor
Juris Doctor/Master of Business Administration
Juris Doctor /Master of Science in Information Systems
Intellectual Property
International & Comparative Law
United States Law

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

Pastoral Ministries

JESUIT SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

MASTER'S PROGRAMS

Master of Divinity
Master of Theological Studies
Master of Theology

ECCLESIASTICAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

Bachelor of Sacred Theology
Licentiate in Sacred Theology
Doctor of Sacred Theology

ACADEMIC

LIBERAL ARTS EDUCATION

“ Liberal education is an approach to undergraduate education that promotes integration of learning across the curriculum and co-curriculum, and between academic and experiential learning, in order to develop specific learning outcomes that are essential for work, citizenship, and life. —AAC&U

In an American liberal arts education, students are admitted by the university as a whole, rather than by specific schools or departments. All students complete a core program of study, taking classes across disciplines in addition to their major. It is typical that a Biology major is taking a literature class, a Music major is also taking Sociology, and Engineering majors take Spanish.

THE CLASSROOM

U.S. higher education, in general, often includes interactions such as group discussions and projects in addition to lectures. All faculty hold weekly office hours and encourage students to visit their office with questions or to discuss material covered in class. Typically, students will complete a variety of assignments, exams, and projects that contribute to their grade. It is rare that a class would be graded on the basis of a mid-term exam and/or final exam alone. SCU offers a variety of resources to help students thrive in this learning environment.

A liberal arts education can create well-rounded students, desirable employees, and impactful community members.

CALENDAR & CREDITS

Santa Clara University’s schools operate on different academic calendars:

All undergraduate and graduate programs in the College of Arts and Sciences, the School of Business, School of Engineering, and School of Education and Counseling Psychology operate on the quarter system. They organize their courses across three 10-week terms during the academic year that runs from Mid-September through Mid-June. The School of Law (graduate only) and the School of Theology operate on semesters.

| ACADEMIC TERMS | DATES | WEEKS | SCU QUARTER CREDITS | U.S. SEMESTER CREDITS | ECTS CREDITS |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Term 1 (Fall Quarter) | Mid-September to Mid-December | 10 | 15 | 10 | 20 |
| Term 2 (Winter Quarter) | Early-January to Mid-March | 10 | 15 | 10 | 20 |
| Term 3 (Spring Quarter) | Mid-March through mid-June | 10 | 15 | 10 | 20 |
| Full Academic Year | Mid-September through mid-June | 30 | 45 | 30 | 60 |

Our Jesuit School of Theology and the School of Law offer graduate programs only and organize their courses across two 15-week semesters during the academic year:

| ACADEMIC TERMS | DATES | WEEKS | U.S. SEMESTER CREDITS | ECTS CREDITS |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Term 1 (Fall Semester) | Mid-August to Mid-December | 15 | 15 | 30 |
| Term 2 (Spring Semester) | Mid-January to May | 15 | 15 | 30 |
| Full Academic Year | Mid-August through May | 30 | 30 | 60 |



NON-DEGREE

International Students

Santa Clara University welcomes non-degree international students to our campus through one of our non-degree international student programs as undergraduates, through Global Engagement, or as post-graduates, through the Law School, or through the [Jesuit School of Theology Renewal Program](#).

Exchange programs are established through partnerships with overseas universities to support a reciprocal number of students being exchanged. Transcripts are sent to home universities after grades are received, no later than 1 month after exams. Exchange students are restricted from taking Computer Engineering courses.

Deadline for students to submit applications to Global Engagement for undergraduate exchange program:

Fall/Academic Year at SCU: April 1

Winter/Spring at SCU: October 1



ENGLISH

Proficiency Requirements

All international applicants are required to demonstrate a minimum level of English language proficiency. This includes Undergraduate, Graduate, Non-degree Visiting and Exchange Applicants, and International Researchers/Scholars.

Students taking an exam to demonstrate language proficiency are required to earn a score within the range for one of the following tests:

- TOEFL iBT: 80–100
- IELTS: 6.0–7.0
- Duolingo English Test: 105–120

Minimum requirements vary between programs.

Visit the [English Proficiency Requirements webpage](#) for more information.



Immigration

SPONSORSHIP

International Students can enter the United States 30 days before the start of their program. While studying at SCU, students have internship opportunities through OPT. Students who complete their program are eligible to participate in post graduation work through CPT. All participants in the Direct Exchange Program at Santa Clara University will only be issued immigration documents to apply for a J-1 visa. J-1 Students are free to travel during academic breaks, including weekends, Thanksgiving, Winter Break, Spring Break, and Summer Break.

GRADE SCALE

for Undergraduates

Grades are assigned by instructors to reflect the quality of a student's work. The University uses the following grades:

- A Excellent
- B Good
- C Adequate
- D Barely Passing
- F Not Passing
- P Pass
- NP No Pass

The United States uses a 4.0 grade scale. The grades A, B, C, and D may be modified by (+) or (-) suffixes, except that the grade of "A" may not be modified by a (+) suffix. Grade point values per unit are assigned as follows:

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|----------|----------|
| A = 4.0 | C = 2.0 |
| A- = 3.7 | C- = 1.7 |
| B+ = 3.3 | D+ = 1.3 |
| B = 3.0 | D = 1.0 |
| B- = 2.7 | D- = 0.7 |
| C+ = 2.3 | F = 0 |

DEGREE SEEKING

International Students

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Students from all over the world find a home at SCU. Students will need to select a track (EA, EDI, EDII, EA , or TR) and one of the schools to apply to. Once admitted, we can help with the student's visa application process.

GRADUATE STUDENTS

Whether students are setting out on a course of academic study that will define their professional life, or seeking to build skills to help them land a job, Santa Clara's graduate

programs offer a range of options to match their needs. Many of our graduate students work while pursuing their degrees, so we offer both part- and full-time programs and some online courses, as well as certificate, license, and non-degree options.

ACADEMIC CALENDARS 2024–2026

Make sure to attend [International Student Welcome](#) and SCU New Student [Orientation](#).

View the [Law School website for their academic calendar](#)

View the [Jesuit School of Theology website for their academic calendar](#)

| | FALL | WINTER | SPRING | SUMMER |
|---------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 2024–25 | Sept 23–Dec 6, 2024 | Jan 6–Mar 14, 2025 | Mar 31–June 6, 2025 | June 19–Aug 29, 2025 |
| 2025–26 | Sept 22–Dec 5, 2025 | Jan 5–Mar 13, 2026 | Mar 30–June 5, 2026 | June 18–Aug 28, 2026 |

APPLYING

Undergraduate international students are admitted to SCU by the Admissions Office. Graduate students are admitted by specific schools/programs. See where to apply for the program in which you are interested on the [Admission Information webpage](#). In addition to academic requirements, all programs require [Demonstrated English Proficiency](#) and [Financial Resources Statement for tuition and living expenses](#).

GET INVOLVED

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

SCU offers over [195 chartered and registered student organizations](#). These organizations provide students with a variety of ways to explore leadership opportunities, try new experiences, continue pursuing current interests, gain valuable skills, learn about themselves, and meet others. Some clubs include Barkada of SCU, Ballet Folklorico de SCU, the Economics Student Association, Model United Nations, and more. [Visit the Center for Student Involvement webpage for more information](#).

ON-CAMPUS EMPLOYMENT

Student employees are an important part of the Santa Clara University workforce. [Over 3,000 students work on campus](#). Examples of placements include the University Library, Adobe Lodge, and the Athletics Center.

ATHLETICS

SCU belongs to the NCAA Division I West Coast Conference. There are many opportunities to get involved with on-campus athletics, through intramural sports, campus recreational facilities, discounted games, and more.

Visit scu.edu/athletics



Student Support **SERVICES**

Students at Santa Clara University have access to a variety of support services. These services include counseling and medical help, accessibility assistance, spiritual advising, professional development resources, writing and research help, and more. Explore available student support services:

- [Campus Ministry](#)
- [Campus Safety Services](#)
- [The Career Center](#)
- [The Cowell Health Center](#)
- [The HUB Writing Center](#)
- [Housing and Residence Life](#)
- [Office of Accessible Education](#)
- [Office for Multicultural Learning](#)
- [Office of Student Life](#)
- [Subject Librarians](#)
- [Mathematics Learning Center](#)

EXPENSES

* Costs are approved by SCU's Board of Trustees and are subject to change

UNDERGRADUATE EXPENSES (2024–25)

| | ON-CAMPUS | OFF-CAMPUS |
|---|-----------|------------|
| Tuition (annual) | \$60,639 | \$60,639 |
| University Enhancement Fee | \$654 | \$654 |
| Room and Board | \$12,492 | \$19,431 |
| Books and Supplies | \$939 | \$939 |
| Transportation | \$1,107 | \$1,764 |
| Personal Expenses | \$2,871 | \$4,428 |
| <u>Estimated Total Cost of Attendance</u> | \$78,702 | \$87,855 |

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID

United States Federal and California State aid is available to U.S. citizens or eligible non-citizens. International students should contact the academic program to which they are applying for information about funding. Visit our website for [more information on Scholarships and Financial Support for International Students](#). Non-degree students studying abroad through an exchange or direct enrollment agreement should verify the funding arrangements with their advisor at their home school.

GRADUATE EXPENSES (2024–25) PER TERM

| | MSIS | MBA/STEM MBA | MSFA | MSBA | ENGINEERING | EDUCATION & COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY | JESUIT SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY | SCHOOL OF LAW |
|---|----------|--------------|----------|----------|-------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| Tuition (per unit) | \$1,328 | \$1,328 | \$1,462 | \$1,462 | \$1,206 | \$755 | \$1,141 | \$2,172 |
| Room and Board On-Campus Housing | \$25,524 | \$25,524 | \$25,524 | \$25,524 | \$25,524 | \$25,524 | \$10,836 | \$25,524 |
| <u>Estimated Total Cost of Attendance</u> | \$68,670 | \$76,332 | \$78,164 | \$83,788 | \$58,620 | \$49,962 | \$52,697 | \$94,064 |

RESEARCH & TEACHING

Santa Clara University is a community of teacher-scholars, and faculty are as likely to pursue research abroad in Poland or South Korea as they are in California. Every year SCU faculty teach and research abroad through prestigious Fulbright grants and other international fellowships.

Faculty can apply for Global Engagement grants that provide funding to support projects or initiatives that promote global diversity or that bring international or intercultural events to campus.

INTERNATIONAL RESEARCHERS AND SCHOLARS AT SCU

Scholars and researchers from our partner universities across the world come to SCU to spend time teaching and researching, taking advantage of our resources on campus and in Silicon Valley. We support approximately 30 international researchers and scholars each year in departments across the University.

CAMPUS RESOURCES

The Sobrato Campus for Discovery and Innovation (SCDI) offers state-of-the-art research labs, support spaces, study areas, and offices for faculty and researchers in the School of Engineering and the College of Arts and Sciences. SCDI offers 270,000 square feet of flexible research and teaching laboratories, classrooms, student project spaces, collaboration hubs, offices, and a cafe, all visually connected by transparent glass walls.

Visiting International Scholars can receive access to our University Library, including our Archives & Special Collections, that hosts over 50,000 historical images and documents.

Researchers interested in the Jesuit School of Theology are encouraged to apply to The International Fellows Initiative, which hosts postdoctoral international scholars for one or two semesters, providing scholars with space, time, and resources to complete fellowship research work.

Interested in developing a collaboration that involves faculty research? Email associateprovostglobal@scu.edu to discuss opportunities.

SCU ONLINE

Here are ways that you can be part of our global community from home:

- [Online Graduate Degrees and Credentials](#)
- [Markkula Center for Applied Ethics Online Ethics Resources](#)
- [Center for the Arts and Humanities Online Lectures](#)
- [My Own Business Institute Free Online Business Courses](#)



