



How does it work?

Both Friendship Families and international students/scholars go through the same application process. Participants may make specific requests about matching preferences but an important part of the program is open-mindedness and flexibility. Thus, if requests cannot be fulfilled, participants are asked to be flexible.

Since the number of students interested in the program is always higher than the number of Friendship Families willing to participate, it's likely that not all international students will be matched. The goal is to match as many new international students as possible. Matching is based on hobbies, special interests, etc. that students and families have in common based on their application forms. A successful Friendship Family – student/scholar or visitor relationship is dependent on a shared effort between both sides. If the friendships don't work for any reason, the participants may need to be re-assigned.

The cornerstone of any friendship is respect, so we ask participants to please respect each other's religious, cultural and political beliefs and refrain from trying to change them. Please see the International Friendship Information Packet for more information.

What is the International Friendship Program?

Welcome to the International House Davis Friendship Program! The Friendship Program matches international students/scholars or visitors with a Friendship local host (a family, couple or individual) from the community to form a "Friendship Family." Friendship local hosts provide international students/scholars and visitors with an introduction to life in the United States and the city of Davis, while learning about their new friend's culture and country. This is not a host family program and does not involve home stays.

The Friendship Program aims to build long lasting cross-cultural friendships between international students/scholars/visitors and members of the Davis community. Building bridges across cultures and making students and visitors feel welcome to Davis are the primary goals.



International Friendship Program

Local Host Application

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This form is for Local Hosts who would like to be part of the International Friendship Program. International Visitors should fill out the Visitor application.

For questions about this form please contact us at friendship@internationalhousedavis.org or by phone at 530-753-5007. You can also stop by in person at either International House Davis, 10 College Park, Davis, CA 95616 or the SISS offices on the third floor of the International Center on the UCD campus.

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Gender: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____

Zip Code: _____

Age Group:

- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35+

Birthday: _____

Occupation: _____

Languages you speak:

- English
- Hindi
- French
- Russian
- Bengali
- Other: _____
- Chinese
- Spanish
- Arabic
- Portuguese
- German

Please list the countries outside of the US that you have visited: _____

Spouse/Partner name: (if applicable) _____

Children's names & ages: (if applicable) _____

Do you object to having an international match with dietary restrictions?

- Yes
- No

Do you have any pets?

- Yes, cat(s)
- Yes, dog(s)
- Yes, other: _____
- No

Please list any preferences you have for your match(es): _____

What are your hobbies or interests?

- Art
- Cooking
- Cycling
- Exercise
- Gardening
- Movies
- Outdoors
- Sports
- Traveling
- Other: _____
- Books
- Crafts
- Dancing
- Games
- Hiking
- Music
- Rock Climbing

How did you hear about the International Friendship Program?

- UCD Orientation
- UCD Extension Orientation
- SISS
- International House Davis
- Newspaper Article
- Online
- Davis Wiki
- Other: _____

Is there anything else you would like us to know to help us find a match?

- I have read the International Friendship Program Information Packet and agree to follow the rules and regulations described there.
- I understand that, as a host, I will meet with my match(es) at least once a month.
- I agree to let the International Friendship Program staff and my host know if I no longer wish to participate.