APPLICATION DEADLINES:

**College of the Desert:**
- Fall semester: July 1
- Spring semester: December 1

**Intensive English Academy:**
- Please email iep@collegeofthedesert.edu for program dates and application deadlines

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

College of the Desert (COD) and the Intensive English Academy (IEA) welcome your application. Applicants to College of the Desert and the Intensive English Academy can use the same application. We encourage you to apply early with a fully completed application. Incomplete applications cannot be processed. Documents submitted as a part of the application cannot be returned. The following must be fully completed and sent to the International Education Program at iep@collegeofthedesert.edu:

1. **Completed International Student Application**

2. **Evidence of Secondary/High School Graduation:**
   - Official secondary/high school transcripts or diplomas must be submitted verifying that you have graduated. **If the original documents are not in English, a certified English translation must also be submitted. For help, visit www.ece.org.**

3. **College/University Transcripts:**
   - Students who have taken college/university coursework must submit official transcripts of coursework taken. This includes transcripts of any institutions in the US or overseas and study in the US at ESL schools.

4. **Financial Certification and Affidavit of Support:**
   - Applicants must submit current bank statements, dated within two months of application, with certified English translations. The amount shown on these bank statements must equal the estimated cost of enrollment. Applicants must also complete and submit the “Affidavit of Support” section of this application included below. Please be advised that tuition and fees are subject to change without notice. If you have any questions about enrollment costs please contact iep@collegeofthedesert.edu.

5. **English Proficiency Requirements:**
   - **College of the Desert applicants:** Applicants to College of the Desert must show English proficiency. Please see English Proficiency Requirements. Only official score reports are accepted. The TOEFL code for College of the Desert is 4085. Please inquire for specific waiver requirements. Course placement at College of the Desert will be determined by college assessment tests taken upon arrival. Students with English proficiency scores near the admission’s minimum should expect to take primarily ESL during their first semester.

   - **Intensive English Academy applicants:** Proof of English proficiency is not required.

6. **Copy of the information page from your passport:** Passport should be valid for at least six months after the start of your program. Please provide passport copies for all accompanying dependents.

7. **Housing Plan:**
   - Students who would like to participate in the homestay program will be sent an application upon acceptance.

8. **$30 Application Fees:**
   - You may pay the application fee by Visa or MasterCard. Checks and money orders made out to “College of the Desert” are also accepted. Cash is not accepted. **This fee is non-refundable.**

9. **Transfer students must also submit copies of the following:**
   - [ ] Current I-20
   - [ ] **Transfer Eligibility Form:** Completed by your current school indicating your SEVIS release date
   - [ ] Current Visa
Send completed applications to the International Education Program office at iep@collegeofthedesert.edu or to:

College of the Desert
International Education Program
43-500 Monterey Avenue
Palm Desert, CA 92260 U.S.A.

For assistance or questions, please contact us at:
Telephone: (760) 776-7205
Fax: (760) 862-1361
iep@collegeofthedesert.edu

Please choose from a major listed below and enter it on the next page where indicated.

MAJORS
(T=Transfer, V=Vocational, C=Certificate)

Accounting (C)
Administration of Justice (T, V, C)
Advanced Transportation Technologies (V)
Agri-Business (T, V)
Agriculture, General (V)
Air Conditioning/HVAC (V, C)
Alcohol/Drug Studies (V, C)
Anthropology (T)
Architectural Technology (V, C)
Art (T)
Automotive Alternate Fuels (C)
Automotive Technology (V, C)
Biology (T)
Building Inspection Technology (C)
Business Administration (T)
Business, General (V)
Chemistry (T)
Communication (T)
Composition (T)
Computer Information Systems (V, C)
Computer Science (T)
Construction Management (T, V, C)
Culinary Arts, Basic (C)
Culinary Arts, Intermediate (C)
Culinary Management (V, C)
Digital Design & Production (V, C)
Early Childhood Education (V)
ECE - Teacher (C)
ECE – Master Teacher (C)
Economics (T)
Environmental Horticulture (T, V, C)
Environmental Sciences/Natural Resources (T)
Environmental Sciences/Interdepartmental (T)
Fire Technology (V, C)
French (T)
General Drafting (V, C)
Geology (T)
Golf Management (V, C)
History (T)
Hospitality Management (T)
Journalism (T)
Kinesiology (T)
Liberal Arts: Arts, Humanities, Communications (T)
Liberal Arts: Business & Technology (T)
Liberal Arts: Health, Education, Nutrition (T)
Liberal Arts: Math & Science (T)
Liberal Arts: Recreation & Leisure, Sports Management (T)
Liberal Arts: Social & Behavioral Sciences (T)
Literature (T)
Mass Communication (T)
Mathematics (T)
Music (T)
Natural Resources (T, V)
Natural Resources-Desert Naturalist (C)
Natural Resources-Field Ranger (C)
Nursing, Registered (V) **
Nursing, Vocational (V, C) **
Philosophy (T)
Physics (T)
Plant Science (V)
Political Science (T)
Psychology (T)
Real Estate Development (C)
Recreation (T)
Retail Management (C)
Social Science (T)
Sociology (T)
Spanish (T)
Speech: Communication Studies (T)
Theater Arts (T)
Turfgrass Management (V, C)

** Nursing programs have limited capacity, inquire about availability.
INDICATE SEMESTER START DATE:
Choose the program to which you are applying. See enclosed program dates for exact start dates.

College of the Desert: ☐ FALL ☐ SPRING 20□□

Intensive English Academy: ☐ September ☐ October ☐ February ☐ April ☐ June* 20□□

Duration of Intensive English Academy Program: ☐ 8 weeks ☐ 16 weeks ☐ 24 weeks ☐ 32 weeks ☐ 40 weeks

INTENDED MAJOR AT COLLEGE OF THE DESERT:
(Choose from attached list. Students choosing the Intensive English Academy only indicate “IEA only” above)

PERSONAL DATA: (write your name exactly as it appears in your passport)

Student Name: ______________________________________________________________________________________________
Family/Sur Name    First/Given Name    Middle

Date of Birth: ___________________________ Age: ________     Gender: Male             Female
Month         Day           Year

Country of Birth: ___________________________________    Country of Citizenship: ______________________________________

Email Address:_______________________________________________________________________________________________

Home Country Address:_______________________________________________________________________________________
(Required) Number & Street      Apt. No.
City     Country     Postal Code

Home Country Telephone Number: ______________________________________________________________________________

If under 18, Parent or Guardian’s Name: __________________________________________________________________________
Family Name   First Name      Relationship to You

Mailing Address: _____________________________________________________________________________________________
(If different from permanent address)

USA Telephone Number (If available): ____________________________________________________________________________

Secondary/High School Attended: _______________________________________________________________________________
School Name   City                 State/Country                      Graduation Date(mm/yy)

Please check only one box below:

1. I have a TOEFL, IELTS or STEP score and will enroll directly into College of the Desert: ☐
   Official score reports must be included. The TOEFL code for College of the Desert is 4085.
   Assessment Score: ____________________________
   TOEFL/IELTS/STEP Score     Date of Test

2. I do not have a TOEFL, IELTS or STEP score and will enroll directly into the Intensive English Academy: ☐

$30 APPLICATION FEE:
You may pay the application fee by Visa or MasterCard. Checks and money orders made out to “College of the Desert” are also accepted. Cash is not accepted. This fee is non-refundable.

Credit Card Number: ____________________________    Expiration Date: Month: _______ Year: _______

Cardholder’s Printed Name: ____________________________    Cardholder’s Signature: _______________________

Please charge the following non-refundable payments with my application:

Office Use Only:
Date rcvd:________________________________
Fees rcvd:_____________________
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VISA INFORMATION:

1. Are you currently in the United States?  □ Yes  □ No  If yes, what is your current status? (F-1, B-1/B-2, H-1, J-1):__________________

2. If F-1, what school is listed on your I-20? ________________________________________________________________

3. If on a B-1/B-2 visa, indicate your date of entry and expiration on the I-94: ________________________________________
   (Please submit copies of both sides of your I-94 or copy of online print out)

4. Do you plan to travel outside of the United States prior to the beginning of the semester?  □ Yes  □ No
   If yes, please indicate your dates of travel: ___________________________________________________________________

5. Do you intend for dependents to accompany you to College of the Desert?  □ Yes  □ No
   if yes, please list dependents (Name/Relationship): ________________________________________________________________
   __________________________________________________________________

RECORD OF EDUCATION:

Please list all colleges, universities, and/or English as a Second Language (ESL) programs that you have attended in the US and overseas. Start with the most recent first. If you have not attended any school beyond high school, please indicate "none."

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<tr>
<th>College/School</th>
<th>City/State/Country</th>
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AFFIDAVIT OF SUPPORT:

This section must be completed AND signed in order to receive the I-20. Applicants must submit current bank statements, dated within two months of application, with certified English translations.

Please show the funds available to you for attending this college in the spaces provided. Funds shown must equal the estimated cost of enrollment. If you have any questions about enrollment costs, please contact iep@collegeofthedesert.edu.

Check all that apply.

☐ Self/personal funds  USD $____________________________
☐ Family funds:  USD $____________________________
☐ From government/sponsor:  USD $____________________________ Source(s):____________________ SACM  □ Yes  □ No
☐ Other funds:  USD $____________________________ Source(s):____________________

Student sponsors must read and certify the following:
I certify that the above information is an accurate and complete statement of the financial resources available to the applicant for study in the United States. I am providing an official bank statement as verification of the above information. I affirm by my signature below that I will provide all educational and living expenses for the applicant’s entire period of study at College of the Desert.

Name of sponsor: ____________________________________ Relationship to applicant: __________________________________
Sponsor’s address: ___________________________________________________________________________________________
Signature of sponsor: __________________________ Telephone number of sponsor: __________________________

Student’s signature not accepted in place of sponsor’s signature.

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT COLLEGE OF THE DESERT/INTENSIVE ENGLISH ACADEMY?:

Please check all that apply.

☐ Advertisement:___________________________  ☐ U.S. Advising Center:___________________________
☐ Student fair ______________________________  ☐ Educational agent name:_________________________
☐ Friend__________________________________  ☐ Relative ___________________  ☐ Website:________________________

APPLICANT CERTIFICATION:

I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification of any of the above answers, or falsification of any supporting documentation which I submit as part of my application to College of the Desert and/or Intensive English Academy will result in my disqualification.

________________________________________________          ______________________________
Applicant Signature        Date
Homestay Program: College of the Desert has become well known for the welcoming and caring local families that participate in our homestay program. For the 2016-17 academic year, the International Education Program is excited to announce that we are starting a partnership with the International Student Placements (ISP) homestay organization. We are confident that this partnership will allow us to provide even more comprehensive and supportive homestay placement services for our students. If you are interested in living with one of our excellent local host families, please let us know, and we’ll send you the homestay application!

As a College of the Desert/Intensive English Academy student, I would like to live:

☐ with a local homestay family. (Recommended housing option)

☐ in an off-campus apartment, and I would like assistance with this.

☐ in an off-campus apartment or house, and I plan to make the arrangements on my own.

To receive the homestay application, please complete the following:

Student Name: __________________________________________________________________________

Family/Sur Name    First/Given Name    Middle

Please indicate your chosen program: ☐ College of the Desert    ☐ Intensive English Academy

Email Address: ________________________________
College of the Desert and the Intensive English Academy require all incoming international students to complete a Tuberculosis (TB) test prior to starting a program of study at COD. **Students have the option of completing and submitting the attached form prior to arrival at COD or to be tested for TB during the orientation program.**

In some cases, a chest x-ray may be required to confirm negative TB status. Students who chose to complete the TB test prior to arrival must do so no more than four months before arrival (see directions below). Additionally, if COD’s Student Health Services staff is unable to verify TB status through documentation submitted prior to arrival, students will need to be tested for TB again before starting classes at COD.

While there is no charge for a TB test at COD, students are responsible for any costs associated with the completion of the TB test requirement through other health care providers (including the cost of chest X-rays performed in Palm Desert or elsewhere).

**Directions for Completing the TB Test Prior to Arrival at COD:**

Visit your doctor or clinic to have the TB skin test performed. The doctor will tell you when you need to return to have the test read. When you have the test read, please give the doctor the attached form and ask that he/she complete the required information and sign.

You can email the completed Health Clearance Form along with your application to iep@collegeofthedesert.edu or send it to our office by fax at 001-760-862-1361.

The document will be kept in your permanent file in the International Student Office. All information is kept confidential and does not become part of your academic record. Should you have any questions, please contact us at (760) 862-1385 or email at knelson@collegeofthedesert.edu.
Test results must be within 4 months of the start date at College of the Desert

1. Tuberculin Skin Test/TST (TST-Mantoux) Skin test:
   Date of TST given: ___________________________ (month/day/year)
   Date of TST read: ___________________________ (month/day/year)

   Result of TST - Please make sure the measurement of the induration is documented below:
   Negative: ___________________________ (mm Induration required)
   Positive: ___________________________ (mm Induration required)
   (If test is positive, or student has a history of a previous positive TB test, a chest x-ray is required.)

2. Chest X-Ray:
   Date of Chest x-ray: ___________________________ (month/day/year)
   Results of Chest x-ray: □ Positive □ Negative

Physician’s/Doctor’s Signature ____________________________________________
Physician’s/Doctor’s Name – Please Print ________________________________
Street Address _________________________________________________________
Date _________________________________________________________________
City ___________________________ Zip Code _____________________________
Telephone Number ____________________________________________________
State ___________________________ Country _____________________________

Doctor’s office official stamp/seal required here
For transfer applicants only

INTENT TO TRANSFER TO
DESERT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
COLLEGE OF THE DESERT

Transfer-out DSO to complete below section:

The above student has applied for admission to College of the Desert. We understand that he/she has an I-20 with your school. Please complete this form and return it as soon as possible to College of the Desert at maordaz@collegeofthedesert.edu or fax to (760) 862-1361.

We are listed in SEVIS under “Desert Community College District” LOS214F00380000. Thank you!

STUDENT'S SEVIS ID NUMBER: __________________________ SEVIS RELEASE DATE: ________________

NOTE: Please do NOT release the student’s SEVIS record unless you have received an official acceptance letter from our institution.

Date student began program: __________________________ Program completion date/last date of attendance: ________________

Is the student eligible for transfer to College of the Desert? ____________________________________________

YES NO

If No, please explain: ________________________________________________________________

Did the student have any authorization for OPT/CPT? ____________________________________________

YES NO

If yes, please indicate type and dates: _______________________________________________________

Does the student have any outstanding fees with your institution?: __________________________________

YES NO

Comments: _____________________________________________________________________________

_____________________________________________________________________________________

Signature of DSO: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Printed name of DSO: ___________________________ Title: ___________________________

Name of school: ___________________________ 
Address of school: ____________________________________________________________________

Telephone number: ___________________________ Fax number: ___________________________

DSO’s email address: ________________________________________________________________

Student to complete this section:

Student name: _______________________________________________________________________

First Name Family/Last Name

Student's email adress: _______________________________________________________________________

This form must be completed by the International Student Advisor at the school that you are currently attending. It is important that you have the completed Intent to Transfer form submitted to College of the Desert as soon as possible in order to complete your application and SEVIS transfer process.

College of the Desert and Intensive English Academy, 43-500 Monterey Avenue, Palm Desert, California 92260 U.S.A.
Telephone: (760) 776-7205, Fax: (760) 862-1361, Email: iep@collegeofthedesert.edu, Website: www.collegeofthedesert.edu/international
Admission to College of the Desert requires submission of one of the following English proficiency tests below OR completion of the approved ESL course level at one of the intensive English schools listed below.

**English Proficiency Scores:**

<table>
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<th>Test Name</th>
<th>Required Score</th>
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<tr>
<td>TOEFL iBT</td>
<td>45</td>
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<tr>
<td>TOEFL Paper</td>
<td>450</td>
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<tr>
<td>IELTS</td>
<td>5</td>
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<td>iTEP</td>
<td>3.5</td>
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<td>STEP/EIKEN</td>
<td>Level 2</td>
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TOEFL: Our institution code is 4085. For more information about test locations, please visit www.ets.org/toefl.

IELTS: For information, please visit www.ielts.org. IELTS is jointly managed by the British Council, IDP: IELTS Australia and the University of Cambridge ESOL Examination.

iTEP Academic: For more information, please visit www.iTEPexam.com.

STEP/EIKEN: For information about the EIKEN test, please visit www.eiken.or.jp/ryugaku.

For admission to College of the Desert’s Intensive English Academy (IEA), English proficiency test results are not required!

**English Proficiency Waiver Options:**

Students who have attended an ESL school in the USA may be able to waive the TOEFL/IELTS/EIKEN requirement. College of the Desert has agreements with the following schools and will waive the English proficiency requirement if students have completed the specified level as listed below:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>ESL School Name</th>
<th>Level Required for TOEFL Waiver</th>
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<tr>
<td>COD’s Intensive English Academy (IEA)</td>
<td>Completion of Level 3</td>
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<td>EF Language Schools</td>
<td>Completion of EF Level 107/108</td>
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<td>ELS Language Schools</td>
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<td>FLS International</td>
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<td>Language Studies International (LSI)</td>
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<td>Mentor Language Institute</td>
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<td>POLY Languages Institute</td>
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Please note that the above listed scores are minimum English proficiency requirements. Students may be required to take additional ESL courses at College of the Desert based on English placement test results. This test is taken upon arrival to the college. Please contact the International Education Program for more information – iep@collegeofthedesert.edu.
College of the Desert is one of the best values in the state of California!

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<th>Costs</th>
<th>One Semester</th>
<th>Two Semesters</th>
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<tr>
<td>International student tuition</td>
<td>$3,024</td>
<td>$6,048</td>
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<td>Misc. Enrollment Fees*</td>
<td>$275</td>
<td>$550</td>
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<td>Health Insurance Fee**</td>
<td>$660</td>
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<td>Books/Supplies (approximate)</td>
<td>$500</td>
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<td>Living Expenses:</td>
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<td>Host families with meals</td>
<td>$3,500</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous Expenses:</td>
<td>$1,500</td>
<td>$3,000</td>
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<td>Transportation, clothing, etc.</td>
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<td>TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES:</td>
<td>$9,459</td>
<td>$18,918</td>
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* Based on 12 units
** The college health insurance plan must be purchased by all international students.

All fees listed above are estimates and are subject to change.

The above fees represent the minimum estimated tuition and living expenses that an international student can expect to pay while attending College of the Desert.

Students intending to enroll at College of the Desert must show funding of USD $18,918 in order to receive an I-20. The I-20 is the document needed to apply for the F-1 visa.

Tuition and fees are due in full at the time of registration.

For information about tuition expenses for the Intensive English Academy, please see the next page!
INTENSIVE ENGLISH ACADEMY
2016-2017 ESTIMATED TUITION AND LIVING EXPENSES

**IEA FULL-TIME PROGRAM:**

Full-time study is required of all students on the F-1 visa. (Full-time study is not available to students on the B-2 or Visa Waiver; see below for part-time study options). All figures are in US dollars.

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<th>Tuition Fees:</th>
<th># of Hours per Week</th>
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<td>8 Week Standard Program</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>$2,100</td>
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<td>16 Week Standard Program</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>$3,850</td>
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<tr>
<td>8 Week Summer Accelerated Program</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>$2,600</td>
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Save money! Students who pre-pay for our 16 Week Standard Program save $350 over the cost of registering for two 8 Week Standard Programs.

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<th>Additional Expenses:</th>
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<th>24 Weeks:</th>
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**TOTAL NEEDED FOR I-20:**

- **8 Weeks:** $4,325**
- **16 Weeks:** $8,250**
- **24 Weeks:** $12,525**
- **32 Weeks:** $16,350**
- **40 Weeks:** $21,375**

** If your enrollment includes the 8 Week Summer Accelerated Program, please add an additional $500 to your total cost.

* Health Insurance: Students are required to purchase the IEA health insurance plan; no outside insurance is accepted. Health insurance costs are estimates and are subject to change by the vendor. Costs vary depending on students’ start and completion dates.

Tuition includes 25 hours of instruction per week (27 hours in the summer), five hours of language lab time, various social activities and access to student services. F-1 visa students must enroll in the 30 hour-per-week program. Tuition and fees are due in full at the time of registration.

**IEA PART-TIME PROGRAM:**

Available for B-2, J-1 and Visa Waiver students. If you will be in the United States as a tourist and want to take an English class during your journey, join us! Part-time study that is incidental to status is allowed for 90 days or less during your travels to America. Choose from one of the following classes (maximum enrollment is two classes). All figures are in US Dollars.

Note: The B-2 visa should not be used if your intention is to become a full-time student in the US; this requires an F-1 visa. F-1 visa students are not eligible for the Part-Time Program option.

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<th>8 Weeks:</th>
<th>16 Weeks:</th>
<th>8 Week Summer Accelerated Program:</th>
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<td>Oral Communication (5 hours/week):</td>
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Tuition and fees are due in full at the time of registration. All fees listed above are estimates and are subject to change.

For information about tuition expenses for College of the Desert, please see the previous page!
College of the Desert (COD) and the Intensive English Academy (IEA) offer a variety of options for study! Please choose from one of the program dates below:

**College of the Desert Program Dates (for new international students):**

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<td>Spring 2017</td>
<td>January 18 – May 26, 2017</td>
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**Intensive English Academy Program Dates:**

**8 and 16 Week Standard Program Start Dates:**

- August 25, 2016
- October 20, 2016
- January 26, 2017
- March 30, 2017

**Summer Accelerated Programs Start Date:**

- June 6 – July 29, 2016

**Application Deadlines:**

**College of the Desert:**

- Fall semester: July 1
- Spring semester: December 1

**Intensive English Academy:**

All IEA deadlines: One month prior to the start date

*Dates are subject to change. Please contact iep@collegeofthedesert.edu for confirmation.*
Important Information...

ACCREDITATION: College of the Desert is a public community college which is part of the state system in California. COD has full accreditation from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). Founded in 1958, College of the Desert has been providing comprehensive programs that lead to university transfer as well as vocational programs for our 10,000 students.

OUR MISSION: The International Education Program (IEP) helps students achieve their educational goals by providing a program of comprehensive support services. The IEP actively supports initiatives that increase multicultural awareness for students, faculty and staff.

MEDICAL INSURANCE: Prior to registration, all international students must purchase the COD medical/health insurance plan; per Desert Community College District Board Policy 5021, we do not accept outside insurance plans. This plan is an accident and illness policy that will provide medical coverage for you while you are in the United States. Information regarding our health insurance plan can be obtained at http://www.4studenthealth.com/.

HEALTH CLEARANCE: Students will be required to be tested for Tuberculosis clearance. A completed Health Clearance Form is required in order to register and attend classes at COD and the IEA.

MANDATORY ORIENTATION: Attendance at orientation is required for both COD and IEA students. The orientation for College of the Desert is approximately two weeks prior to the start of the semester; the orientation for the Intensive English Academy is approximately one week prior to the start of classes. Exact dates will be sent to the student in their acceptance packet.

GUARDIAN STATEMENT: College of the Desert and the Intensive English Academy will review the admission of minors who have completed their secondary education on a case-by-case basis. We require students who are under the age of 18 to have a guardian over the age of 21 living in California. If you have completed your secondary education and are under the age of 18, you are required to have your parent and designated guardian submit a signed Guardianship Statement establishing legal guardianship. Please contact the International Student Office for more information.

DEPENDENTS: International (F-1) students are eligible to bring their dependents (spouse or children) into the United States. The dependent will be issued an I-20 and will enter on an "F-2 visa" which is affiliated with the F-1 visa. In order to be issued a dependent I-20, the international student must submit additional financial information in the amount of $3000 per dependent verifying the ability to take care of the dependent. Please contact the International Student Office for more information regarding the process for bringing your dependent(s) with you.

FINANCIAL AID/SCHOLARSHIPS: F-1 students are not eligible for Federal or State financial aid and must be prepared to fully support themselves throughout their education at College of the Desert. Students who have completed 12 units at our institution can apply for scholarships that are available to COD students. Each scholarship offers different award amounts. Although most scholarships are academic/merit based, the requirements vary and students are encouraged to research their options when they arrive.

QUESTIONS: We are happy to answer any questions you may have regarding our programs and services. Most questions can be answered on our website at www.collegeofthedesert.edu/international. If you need additional assistance, please contact the International Student Office at iep@collegeofthedesert.edu, telephone: 001-760-776-7205 or fax: 001-760-862-1361.