

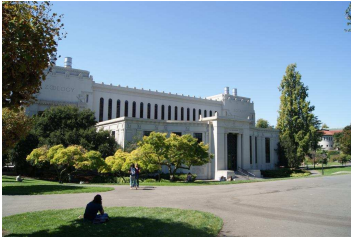


OISE San Francisco Juniors

Address

University of California, Berkeley
United States

Ages 14 - 17 years



The city of San Francisco is one of the most visited towns in the USA. It is known for its pleasant climate, its steep hills with views onto the famous Golden Gate Bridge and its architectural eclecticism. For these reasons it has developed a reputation as a very “European” American town.

The residential OISE programme is held on the prestigious campus of Berkeley University, the oldest of the ten Universities in California. Established in 1868, the campus is located in the pretty town of Berkeley, surrounded by over 80 acres of beautiful gardens and four nature reserves that stretch over the hills of Oakland and across the Bay of San Francisco Area.



Accommodation:

All students stay at UC Berkeley throughout their OISE programme, where all their needs are catered for. Shared rooms, usually home to Berkeley students, are available for OISE young learners during their stay with a shared bathroom. All buildings have excellent Wi-Fi access and students can take advantage of the in-house laundry facilities for an additional fee. The meals are included in the programme and any special dietary requirements are taken into consideration.

Programme

USA Programme

17.5 hours per week + 5 hours “Cultural Workshop”
Maximum class size of 8 students

During the morning students develop their accuracy in speaking, listening, reading and writing. Afternoon oral and communications skills workshops are designed to encourage fluency and build confidence in speaking the language. The late afternoon programme gives the students the opportunity to participate in cultural and leisure activities which further enhance their learning experience.



Included in the course price:

- Lessons and communication workshops: guaranteed maximum of 8 students per teacher
- Loan of all teaching materials
- Workbook and course certificate
- College accommodation: full board
- Leisure activities
- Full day excursions on Saturdays
- Return standard airport transfers

A typical day at San Francisco

Morning

- 09.30 Grammar/Vocabulary lesson
 11.00 Break
 11.30 Formal comprehension training exercises. Structured expression exercises: essays, presentations and explanations.
 13.00 Lunch

Afternoon

- 13.45 Workshops to encourage fluency and use of the language. They include debates, presentations, active listening practice and letter writing.
 15.15 Break
 15.45 Afternoon games include sports such as football, cricket, volleyball, tennis and swimming. jewellery making, dance lessons, fashion design, decorative painting, rhythmic riot, mosaics amongst other activities are also offered.

Evening

- 18.00 Dinner
 19.00 Supervised homework
 20.00 Evening leisure programme. Typical activities include quiz and casino nights, disco, film and games nights, talent show, theatre workshop, fashion show, teacher versus students sports, music workshops, card tournament, scavenger hunt and karaoke.
 22.00 Bedtime

The school day is for illustrative purposes and may be subject to change.



Excursions

Weekends offer the possibility of going on full day trips to San Francisco for sightseeing and shopping, to the Raging Waters park, San Jose, Santa Cruz or a tour around the vast grounds of Berkeley itself. All activities are organised exclusively in English and aim to give students varied opportunities to practise their English.



Need to know

Airport transfers

Standard transfer times

San Francisco International Airport (SFO) – 40 mins

Clothes/Sports equipment

Students are recommended to prepare for hot weather.

The average day temperature is 29°C and 15°C at night.

Students should bring suitable sportswear, white-soled footwear for sports halls, swimwear, towel and a sports bag.

Start dates for 2015 courses

2 weeks	05.07	12.07	19.07
3 weeks	05.07	12.07	
4 weeks	05.07		