

Housing & other information for international students visiting the CEP

- General information about housing at UCSB:
<http://www.housing.ucsb.edu/hchoices/cho-general-info.htm>
- Housing tips for international students:
<http://www.housing.ucsb.edu/hchoices/international-tips.htm>
- Housing placement assistance available from:
The Community Housing Office is located in the [University Center](#), Room 3151 (third floor)
Phone: 805-893-4371
Fax: 805-893-4375
e-mail: ucsbcho@housing.ucsb.edu
Free listings are at: www.housing.ucsb.edu
You can list yourself as “roommate available” on that site in addition to searching the offerings.
- Office of International Scholars and Students
Building 434
893-2929
Fax: 893-7132
E-Mail: oiiss@sa.ucsb.edu
Website: www.oiiss.ucsb.edu
9:00am-12:00pm & 1:00-4:00pm, Mon-Fri

The Office of International Scholars and Students (OISS) serves over 1,300 international students and scholars who study, teach and engage in research at UCSB. OISS responds to the individual and collective needs of international students and initiates programs and projects that will add to the international dimensions of the University.

The OISS does not assist in finding housing for international students but has other information for new international students (health insurance, visas, financial matters):
<http://www.oiiss.ucsb.edu/InfoNewStds.htm>

- Virtual tours of university housing and maps:
<http://www.housing.ucsb.edu/hchoices/maps-visuals.htm>
- Neighborhood profiles (for the areas outside of UCSB):

<http://www.housing.ucsb.edu/hchoices/cho-neighborhoods.htm>

- Popular community resource for housing:
<http://santabarbara.craigslist.org/>
- Local newspaper listing in the Santa Barbara News Press:
<http://class.newspress.com/sect/rentals>
- Google map of the Santa Barbara area (scroll left to see UCSB region):
<http://maps.google.com/maps?oi=map&q=Santa+Barbara,+CA>
- Maps (in PDF) of Isla Vista, Goleta, Ellwood, and UCSB: see “Maps” link at the bottom of the following page:
<http://www.housing.ucsb.edu/hchoices/cho-survival-guide.htm>
<http://www.housing.ucsb.edu/hchoices/hchoices-images/pdfs/campus-area-map.pdf>

Generally, many areas of Goleta such as Ellwood and El Encanto Heights are preferable if you will be without a car since there are bus lines or bike paths serving UCSB. Isla Vista is very crowded and has a well-deserved reputation as a “party” area, a relatively poor choice if you prefer peace and quiet. Santa Barbara is farther away from campus by several miles but offers more cultural and tourist attractions.