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# 2019 Catalog

#### Welcome to Language Pacifica!

Since 1979, thousands of students from every part of the world have come to Silicon Valley to study English at Language Pacifica. We have full-time and part-time intensive English courses for students who need academic English, TOEFL preparation, English for business, and/or English for personal enrichment.

Administration: Sophia Zhang Ellithorpe, CEO Ruth Kirby, Director

**Language Pacifica's mission** is to provide the highest quality intensive English program to non-native speakers of English. We embrace diversity, service and excellence in creating a humanistic and innovative environment in which to teach and learn the English language and American culture.

Language Pacifica is **accredited** by the Commission on English Language Program Accreditation (CEA) for the period **August 2014 through August 2019** and agrees to uphold the CEA Standards for English Language Programs and Institutions. CEA is recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education as a national accrediting agency. For further information about this accreditation, please contact the Commission on English Language Program Accreditation, 1001 North Fairfax Street, Suite 630, Alexandria, VA 22314, (703) 665-3400, www.cea-accredit.org.

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#### 2019 Sessions

Session 7: December 3, 2018 – February 1, 2019 Session 1: February 4, 2019 – March 29, 2019 Session 2: April 1, 2019 – May 24, 2019 Session 3: May 28, 2019 – July 19, 2019 Session 4: July 22, 2019 – September 13, 2019 Session 5: September 16, 2019 – November 8, 2019 Session 6: November 11, 2019 – January 17, 2020

#### **School Hours**

Language Pacifica is open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. year-round except on holidays, which include one or two weeks at the end of the year. Our sessions last eight weeks, and two 8-week sessions make each level. There are six levels. All classes are five days per week, Monday through Friday.

#### **Admission Criteria**

- Full-time students must be at least 16 years old.
- All students must place between Level 1 and Level 6 on our placement test. Our placement test is accepted as an alternate ability-to-benefit test (ATB) for those without a high school diploma or equivalent.

#### **Admission Procedure**

Language Pacifica admits new students every Monday. The enrollment form is due on admission. The placement test and orientation begin at 8:30 a.m. on the first day of classes. Classes are joined at 11:00 a.m. Payment of tuition, fees and textbooks is due before the end of the day. Full-time students should begin on session beginning dates.

#### Level Placement

Your class level will be based on the results of your placement test, which consists of speaking, writing, listening, and grammar. **Note:** If the level of your class seems too high or low for you, please speak with the director about the possibility of changing it. Please don't write in your textbooks until you are sure that the level is suitable for you.

#### **Daily Schedule for Group Classes**

Note: Private lessons may be arranged for any time between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

| Time              | Class/Activity       | Your Classes | 5         |              |
|-------------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| 8:30 a.m.         | School opens         | Your Level   | Your Room | Your Teacher |
| 9:00 – 11:50 a.m. | Integrated Skills:   |              |           |              |
| 9:00-9:50         | Speaking/Listening   |              |           |              |
| 10:00-10:50       | Reading/Vocabulary   |              |           |              |
| 11:00-11:50       | Writing              |              |           |              |
| 12:00-12:50 p.m.  | Grammar              |              |           |              |
|                   |                      |              |           |              |
| 1:30-2:20 p.m.    | Discussion or        |              |           |              |
|                   | TOEFL Preparation    |              |           |              |
| 2:30-3:20 p.m.    | Semi-private lessons |              |           |              |
|                   |                      |              |           |              |
| 5:00 p.m.         | School closes        |              |           |              |

#### 2019 Holiday Schedule

| 2018-2019 Winter Holiday | Monday, December 24, 2018 to Tuesday, January 1, 2019 |
|--------------------------|---|
| Martin Luther King Day   | Monday, January 21, 2019                              |
| Presidents' Day          | Monday, February 18, 2019                             |
| Memorial Day             | Monday, May 27, 2019                                  |
| Independence Day         | Thursday, July 4, 2019                                |
| Labor Day                | Monday, September 2, 2019                             |
| Thanksgiving             | Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29, 2019         |
| 2019-2020 Winter Holiday | Monday, December 23, 2019 to Friday, January 3, 2020  |
|                          | (Classes resume Monday, January 6, 2020)              |

#### **College Connections**

Language Pacifica has partnerships with local colleges and a university, including Foothill College (www.foothill.edu), De Anza College (www.deanza.edu), Cañada College (www.canadacollege.edu), College of San Mateo (www.collegeofsanmateo.edu), Skyline College (www.skylinecollege.edu) and Notre Dame de Namur University (www.ndnu.edu), in which completion of our Level 5 is accepted as proof of English proficiency for undergraduate admissions and completion of Level 6 is accepted by NDNU for graduate school admissions. In addition, Language Pacifica has partnerships with 12 other colleges and universities around the country, which allow conditional admission to students in Levels 5 and 6 with a test given at Language Pacifica. Please talk with our director for more information.

**Student Visa Applicants** Full-time students are eligible for the I-20 for the requested study period to apply for the F-1 visa. For the I-20, the completed enrollment form is necessary, along with : 1) A copy of your passport page (and passport copies of your dependents, if you'll bring dependents); 2) A copy of the bank letter dated within 6 months that will be shown to the embassy showing at least \$2500/ month available for the months on the I-20 plus \$1250/month per dependent for "dependent care expenses"; 3) Language Pacifica's application fee of \$95. When we have received these, we'll make the I-20 and send it. Ask the school for shipping costs.

▶ If you'll transfer your I-20 from another US school, please attach a copy of your current I-20. We will send a transfer notice to your current school, then you will receive your new I-20 when you begin here. Let us know if you need it earlier.

▶ Next, please complete the Form I-go1 at http://www.ice.gov/sevis/igo1 and submit it, with its \$200 fee, to the U.S. government. Print the receipt. You will need to take the original paper receipt to your visa interview.

See "Student Visa Applicants" on our website for further information.

► Normal and satisfactory progress must be maintained at the school in order to meet the requirements of the student visa.

#### Do You Need Help?

Please talk with Ruth, the director, if you have any problem related to:

- Classes or grades
- > Your academic plan
- Your I-20 or student visa status
- > Your homestay
- Cultural adjustment to the US
- Homesickness
- > Any other issue.

We will try to resolve it together quickly. If your problem is not possible for us to solve, we will help you find appropriate resources.

#### **Cellphone Use**

To keep our small classes interactive, cellphone use is prohibited unless the teacher allows it for a specific assignment.

#### **Course and Level Information**

# We use the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) as a basis for our learning outcomes. Level 1

The goal of Level 1 is to begin the process of developing students' ability to express themselves in academic, work, or social environments in which the primary language used is English.

#### Learning Outcomes

**Speaking:** Can interact in a simple way but communication is totally dependent on repetition at a slower rate of speech, rephrasing and repair. Can ask and answer simple questions, initiate and respond to simple statements in areas of immediate need or on very familiar topics.

**Reading:** Can understand very short, simple texts a single phrase at a time, picking up familiar names, words and basic phrases and rereading as required.

Writing: Can write simple isolated phrases and sentences.

Grammar: Shows only limited control of a few simple grammatical structures and sentence patterns in a learnt repertoire.

#### Course Objectives

**Speaking:** Very simple topics such as introductions, directions, likes and dislikes; short, clear, slowly stated simple questions and responses

Reading: Students work with Level 1 textbook, which uses about 300 key words.

Writing: Students are taught how to write sentences.

**Grammar:** Introduction to verbs "be" and "have", simple present, present progressive, nouns as subjects and objects, introduction to past tense

#### Course Materials

Reading/Writing: Foundations, Molinsky/Bliss

Grammar: Basic English Grammar A, Azar/Hagen

#### Level 2

The goal of Level 2 is to continue developing students' ability to express themselves in academic, work, or social environments in which the primary language used is English.

#### Learning Outcomes

**Speaking:** Can interact with reasonable ease in structured situations and short conversations, provided the other person helps if necessary. Can manage simple, routine exchanges without undue effort; can ask and answer questions and exchange ideas and information on familiar topics in predictable everyday situations. Can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and routine matters to do with work and free time. Can handle very short social exchanges but is rarely able to understand enough to keep conversation going of his/her own accord.

**Reading:** Can understand short, simple texts on familiar matters of a concrete type which consist of high frequency everyday or job-related language. Can understand short, simple texts containing the highest frequency vocabulary, including a proportion of shared international vocabulary items.

Writing: Can write a series of simple phrases and sentences linked with simple connectors like "and," "but" and "because." Grammar: Uses some simple structures correctly, but still systematically makes basic mistakes – for example tends to mix up tenses and forgets to mark agreement; nevertheless, it is usually clear what he/she is trying to say.

#### **Course Objectives**

**Speaking:** Students focus on understanding and communicating main ideas and getting the main idea of what others saying. Short conversations are held on basic topics, including but not limited to daily activities, subjects of personal interest, and plans for future activities.

Reading: Students become familiar with texts (from textbook and outside readings) that use about 600 key words.

Writing: Students are taught to write a group of complete sentences about a topic and a narrative using past tense. Writing is used for strengthening fluency, practicing structures, and increasing vocabulary.

Grammar: Introduction to the present tense, past tense, future tense, modals, nouns and modifiers, possessives, comparisons, and irregular verbs

#### Course Materials

Reading/Writing: American Headway 1, Soares Grammar: Basic English Grammar B, Azar/Hagen

#### Level 3

The goal of Level 3 is to improve students' ability to express themselves clearly and fully in academic, work, or social environments in which the primary language used is English.

#### Learning Outcomes

**Speaking:** Can communicate with some confidence on familiar routine and non-routine matters related to his/her interests and professional field. Can exchange, check and confirm information, deal with less routine situations and explain why something is a problem. Can express thoughts on more abstract, cultural topics such as films, books, music etc. Can exploit a wide range of simple language to deal with most situations likely to arise whilst traveling. Can enter unprepared into conversation on familiar topics, express personal opinions and exchange information on topics that are familiar, of personal interest or pertinent to everyday life (e.g. family, hobbies, work, travel and current events).

**Reading:** Can read straightforward factual texts on subjects related to his/her field and interest with a satisfactory level of comprehension.

Writing: Can write straightforward connected texts on a range of familiar subjects within his/her field of interest, by linking a series of shorter discrete elements into a linear sequence.

**Grammar:** Communicates with reasonable accuracy in familiar contexts; generally good control though with noticeable mother tongue influence. Errors occur, but it is clear what he/she is trying to express. Uses, reasonably accurately, a repertoire of frequently used "routines" and patterns associated with more predictable situations.

#### Course Objectives

**Speaking:** The emphasis is on personal expression and understanding others. The student will converse on familiar topics such as school, work issues, popular current events, shopping or restaurants.

Reading: The textbook and additional reading materials use about 1000 key words.

Writing: Students in Level 3 begin to work with the structure of the paragraph.

**Grammar:** Students focus on written and oral use of the present tense, the past tense, the future tense, present perfect, past perfect, questions, nouns and pronouns, and modals.

#### **Course Materials**

Reading/Writing: For Your Information 3, Blanchard/Root

Grammar: Fundamentals of English Grammar, Volume A, Azar/Hagen

#### Level 4

The goal of Level 4 is to enhance students' ability to express themselves clearly and fully in academic, work, or social environments in which the primary language used is English.

#### Learning Outcomes

**Speaking:** Can use the language fluently, accurately and effectively on a wide range of general, academic, vocational or leisure topics, marking clearly the relationships between ideas. Can communicate spontaneously with good grammatical control without much sign of having to restrict what he/she wants to say, adopting a level of formality appropriate to the circumstances. Can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction and sustained relationships with native speakers quite possible without imposing strain on either party. Can highlight the personal significance of events and experiences, account for and sustain views clearly by providing relevant explanations and arguments.

**Reading:** Can read with a large degree of independence, adapting style and speed of reading to different texts and purposes, and using appropriate reference sources selectively. Has a broad active reading vocabulary, but may experience some difficulty with low frequency idioms.

Writing: Can write clear, detailed texts on a variety of subjects related to his/her field of interest, synthesizing and evaluating information and arguments from a number of sources.

**Grammar:** Shows a relatively high degree of grammatical control. Does not make mistakes which lead to misunderstanding. <u>Course Objectives</u>

Speaking: The emphasis in Level 4 is on expressing oneself clearly and fully.

Reading: The textbook and other reading materials use about 1400 key words.

**Writing:** Students begin to write essays. Writing is used for strengthening fluency, practicing structures, and increasing vocabulary.

**Grammar:** Students work with connecting ideas, comparisons, passive, nouns and articles, adjective clauses, gerunds and infinitives, noun clauses, and phrasal verbs

#### **Course Materials**

Reading/Writing: World of Reading 3, Baker-González/Blau Grammar: Fundamentals of English Grammar, Volume B, Azar/Hagen

#### Level 5

The goal of Level 5 is for students to move towards mastery of expression in academic, work, or social environments in which the primary language used is English.

#### Learning Outcomes

**Speaking:** Can express him/herself fluently and spontaneously, almost effortlessly. Has a good command of a broad lexical repertoire allowing gaps to be readily overcome with circumlocutions. There is little obvious searching for expressions or avoidance strategies; only a conceptually difficult subject can hinder a natural, smooth flow of language.

**Reading:** Can understand in detail lengthy, complex texts, whether or not they relate to his/her own area of specialty, provided he/she can reread difficult sections.

Writing: Can write clear, well-structured texts of complex subjects, underlining the relevant salient issues, expanding and supporting points of view at some length with subsidiary points, reasons and relevant examples, and rounding off with an appropriate conclusion.

Grammar: Consistently maintains a high degree of grammatical accuracy; errors are rare and difficult to spot.

#### Course Objectives

**Speaking:** The emphasis in Level 5 is on speaking clearly and correctly. The student aims to converse easily on unfamiliar topics such as current events and academic subjects.

**Reading:** The textbook and other reading materials use about 1800 key words, and some authentic materials are used at this level. **Writing:** Writing is used for strengthening fluency, practicing structures, and increasing vocabulary; students also work with the essay format.

**Grammar:** The student works to show competence in the present and past simple and progressive tenses, the perfect and progressive tenses, the future tense, adverb clauses, subject-verb agreement, nouns, pronouns, modals, and the passive.

#### **Course Materials**

Reading/Writing: A World of Fiction 1, Marcus

Grammar: Understanding and Using English Grammar, Volume A, Azar/Hagen

**Level 6:** The goal of Level 6 is for students to achieve mastery of expression in academic, work, or social environments in which the primary language used is English.

#### Learning Outcomes

**Speaking:** Has a good command of idiomatic expressions and colloquialisms with awareness of connotative levels of meaning. Can convey finer shades of meaning precisely by using, with reasonable accuracy, a wide range of modification devices. Can backtrack and restructure around a difficulty so smoothly the interlocutor is hardly aware of it.

**Reading:** Can understand and interpret critically virtually all forms of the written language including abstract, structurally complex, or highly colloquial literary and non-literary writings. Can understand a wide range of long and complex texts, appreciating subtle distinctions of style and implicit as well as explicit meaning.

Writing: Can write clear, smoothly flowing, complex texts in an appropriate and effective style and a logical structure which helps the reader to find significant points.

**Grammar:** Maintains consistent grammatical control of complex language, even while attention is otherwise engaged (e.g. in forward planning, in monitoring others' reactions).

#### Course Objectives

**Speaking:** The student works toward mastery of spoken English with fluent, sophisticated clarity of expression. The emphasis in Level 6 is on correct, articulate expression.

Reading: Texts use about 2200 key words, and many authentic materials are used at this level.

Writing: In addition to writing for strengthening fluency, practicing structures, and increasing vocabulary, students in Level 6 write essays and reports.

**Grammar:** The student works to show competence in English grammar, including mastery of topics from the text such as noun clauses, adjective clauses, gerunds and infinitives, coordinating conjunctions, adverb clauses, adverbial phrases, conditional sentences and wishes, connectives expressing cause and effect, contrast, and the conditional.

#### Course Materials

Reading/Writing: A World of Fiction 2, Marcus

Grammar: Understanding and Using English Grammar, Volume B, Azar/Hagen

#### **Total Number of Hours to Complete Program**

The total number of hours to complete the program depends on the course taken, the initial level of English, and the desired level of English to be attained. A student taking Full-time Intensive English, placing into Level 1, and wanting to complete Level 6 would take 2000 hours.

#### Faculty

Our instructors are chosen for their knowledge of the subject matter and their teaching ability. All have at least Bachelor's degrees and native or native-like fluency in English, plus one or more of the following: Master's or PhD in TESOL, English, Linguistics or a related field; a TESOL certificate or another ESL teaching certificate; a teaching credential in English or a related field; or a combination of education and experience in teaching ESL. Language Pacifica does not discriminate on the basis of gender, age, race, religion, or sexual orientation.

#### **Academic Progress**

We want you to make a lot of progress here! Please read the following for information about our policies.

#### Grading

You will receive grades on assignments, quizzes and tests, and your spoken English during your course. These should help you to know how you are doing and motivate you to succeed. In addition, students who complete a session will receive a final grade for that session.

**Integrated Skills final grade** components are: Speaking = 40%, Graded Assignments = 20%, Quizzes = 20%, Midterm = 10%, Final = 10%

**Grammar final grade** components are: Applied Grammar (your use of the learned grammar) = 40 %, Quizzes and tests = 20 %, Midterm = 20%, Final = 20 %

**Grades:** A+ =98-100%, A=93-97%, A- = 90-92%, B+ =88-89%, B= 83-87%, B- =80-82%, C+ =78-79%, C=73-77%, C- =70-72%, D+ =68-69%, D= 63-67%, D- =60-62%, Fail=59% and under

#### Promotion

Each level is composed of two 8-week sessions. A grade of "C" or better for both sessions is needed for promotion to the next level. Students who arrive in the middle of a session may speak with the instructor and the director about making up the work that was missed in order to complete the session. A student who takes just part of one session but completes the next session could also be promoted if the instructor and director feel that s/he has completed the learning outcomes of the level.

#### Attendance

Although you will not be graded on attendance, attendance is important for learning new material and practicing your skills. Students who do not attend classes regularly do not, as a rule, make satisfactory academic progress. In addition, F-1 students must maintain at least 80% attendance as part of the visa requirement. Acceptable attendance includes all class period each class daily.

#### Leave of Absence

If you plan to be absent from school for a week or a number of weeks, please complete a "Vacation Request Form" in the office and you will not pay tuition for that time.

#### Staying in Status as an F-1 Student

The student visa makes you a legal visitor to the US only when you are "in status". To stay in status, you must be a full-time student at the school that issued you the I-20. If you finish the time period on your I-20 and want to keep your student status, you must have your I-20 extended or transferred.

The following are necessary for staying in status at Language Pacifica:

- Come to Language Pacifica to register and begin classes by the beginning date on your I-20. You may arrive in the US no more than 30 days before this date.
  - If you can't arrive in the US on time, contact the school director to request a new I-20 with a later beginning date. You'll use this new I-20 when you enter the US.
  - If you arrive in the US by the beginning date on your I-20 but do not register or begin classes, the school must cancel or terminate your I-20 and you will be out of status (an illegal visitor).
- Maintain at least 80% attendance in your full-time course of study.
  - Consult with the director before dropping below a full course of study for any reason.
  - If you are sick, call the school at (650) 321-1840 for an excused absence. A doctor's note is required when there is an extended period of illness.
- o Maintain normal and satisfactory progress in our program. (See "Academic Progress", p. 7.)
- Talk with the director to extend your program of study at least one week before the end date on your I-20.
- Do not work in the US.

#### In addition, you must notify the director if:

- Your address changes (within 10 days of the change)
- There is any change in your sources of financial support
- You will travel outside the United States
- You apply for or receive a change of nonimmigrant status (visa type)
- You want to transfer to another school
- There is any change in the status of your dependents

#### Academic Probation and Dismissal

If your attendance is below 80% for a session or if you do not make an effort to maintain normal and satisfactory progress in our program, you will receive a warning notice. If the problem continues, you will be placed on academic probation. Academic probation signals your last chance to be a full-time student. If the problem isn't solved, you will be expelled from the school. You may need to request F-1 reinstatement from the US government to continue as a student in the United States. If you are in a school homestay, you will need to move out immediately. If you are expelled from the school, there will be no tuition refund.

#### **Retention of Student Records**

Language Pacifica retains physical student records for at least five years. Transcripts are kept indefinitely.

#### **Speaking and Writing Rubrics**

These rubrics, which show how speaking and writing are graded at Language Pacifica, can be used for guidance in how to progress in these areas.

| Speaking Grade Elements             | А | В | С | D | F | Writing Grade Elements A B C D          | F |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pronunciation                       |   |   |   |   |   | Appearance                              |   |
| Clarity, intonation, pacing, volume |   |   |   |   |   | Punctuation, spelling, handwriting      |   |
|                                     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Vocabulary                          |   |   |   |   |   | Vocabulary                              |   |
| Use of learned words and at-level   |   |   |   |   |   | Use of learned words and at-level       |   |
| vocabulary, building with synonyms  |   |   |   |   |   | vocabulary, building with synonyms      |   |
| Accuracy                            |   |   |   |   |   | Accuracy                                |   |
| Grammar, structure, use of          |   |   |   |   |   | Grammar, use of complete sentences      |   |
| complete sentences                  |   |   |   |   |   | and varied sentence structure           |   |
| Content                             |   |   |   |   |   | Organization                            |   |
| Topic development, cohesion,        |   |   |   |   |   | Structure, format,                      |   |
| applied knowledge, complexity       |   |   |   |   |   | use of main ideas, details, transitions |   |
| Interaction                         |   |   |   |   |   | Content                                 |   |
| Comprehension of others' speech,    |   |   |   |   |   | Topic development, cohesion,            |   |
| nonverbal communication,            |   |   |   |   |   | research, originality, applied          |   |
| expressive flexibility              |   |   |   |   |   | knowledge, complexity                   |   |
|                                     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Grade:                              |   |   |   |   |   | Grade:                                  |   |

#### **Housing Options**

Language Pacifica has no responsibility to find or assist a student in finding housing. Housing costs in this area range from about \$1000/month to \$5000/month.

#### Homestay

Most Language Pacifica students who require housing stay with a host family. We select our hosts carefully in a process which includes an interview and a meeting at the home. Most of our hosts have been working with us for many years. Our homestays are located in the area between San Bruno to the north and Mountain

View to the south and are accessible by about an hour or less of public transportation (including walking to/from the bus or train stop and waiting for transfers.)

You may choose homestay with breakfast and dinner (with or without weekend lunches) or homestay with no meals (which includes use of the kitchen.)

Students who are uncomfortable with hosts for any reason may talk with the director; communication can solve issues before they become problems. It is possible to change hosts with two weeks' notice.

Advantages to staying with a host include the increased amount of practice with the

English language and understanding of the American lifestyle it offers. Many students make lifelong friendships with their hosts. Language Pacifica defines "host family" as a single woman, a single woman with children, or a couple with or without children.

#### Please see "Host Program Information and Contract" for homestay program details.

#### 2019 Homestay Rates:

| Homestay<br>Note: If the homestay dates are<br>changed by a week or more after | Number of<br>weeks | Homestay with<br>breakfast and<br>dinner | Homestay with<br>breakfast and dinner<br>+ weekend lunch | Homestay<br>with no meals |
|--|--------------------|--|--|---------------------------|
| the host has been assigned, the<br>placement fee must be paid                  | 1                  | \$320                                    | \$340  | \$250                     |
| again.   | 2                  | \$640                                    | <b>\$68</b> 0  | \$500                     |
| -  | 3                  | \$960                                    | \$1020   | \$750                     |
|  | 4                  | \$1280                                   | \$1360   | \$1000                    |



#### Hotels

Following is a short list of hotels and short-term apartments in this area. You may book directly. Rates are approximate and vary according to the year, the time of year, special events, and even the days of the week.

| Hotels, Motels and Inns<br>Note: Please add 10% tax. Rates ma   | y change; please confirm rates directl  | y with hotel managers   |
|---|---|---|
| Stone Villa Inn San Mateo<br>2175 S. El Camino Real, San Mateo 94403<br>Stonevillainnsanmateo.com<br>(650) 458-6556           | Best Western Coyote Point Inn<br>480 N Bayshore Blvd, San Mateo, CA<br>94401<br>bestwestern.com<br>(650) 347-9990 | Holiday Inn Express & Suites Belmont<br>1650 El Camino Real, Belmont, CA 94002<br>ihg.com<br>(650) 654-4000                         |
| Howard Johnson Express San Mateo<br>2110 S. El Camino Real, San Mateo 94403<br>Wyndhamhotels.com<br>(650) 341-9231            | Hilton Garden Inn San Mateo<br>2000 Bridgepointe Cir, San Mateo, CA<br>94404<br>(650) 522-9000                    | Country Inn & Suites by Radisson, San<br>Carlos<br>251 El Camino Real, San Carlos, CA<br>94070<br>countryinns.com<br>(650) 508-1800 |
| San Mateo Marriott San Francisco<br>Airport<br>1770 S Amphlett Blvd, San Mateo, CA<br>94402<br>Marriott.com<br>(650) 653-6000 | Silicon Valley Inn<br>630 El Camino Real, Belmont, CA 94002<br>(650) 593-5883                                     | Los Prados Hotel - San Francisco<br>Peninsula / SFO Airport Area<br>2940 S Norfolk St, San Mateo, CA 94403<br>(650) 341-3300        |

#### Apartments

Following is contact information for some apartment complexes in this area. Please book directly with them.

| Bay Terrace_Apartments<br>3204 Casa de Campo Way<br>San Mateo, CA 94403<br>(650) 642-9805                                 | Madison Place<br>400 E. Hillsdale Blvd.<br>San Mateo, CA 94403<br>(650) 349-5583<br>www.themadisonplaceapts.com                      | Hillsdale Garden Apartments<br>3500 Edison St.<br>San Mateo, CA 94403<br>(650) 345-4852  |
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| East 19th Avenue Apartments<br>804-820 19th Ave<br>San Mateo, CA 94403<br>(650) 670-7501                                  | Casa Baywood Apartments<br>212 S El Camino Real<br>San Mateo, CA 94401<br>(650) 539-5472   | Mosaic San Mateo Apartments<br>3110 Casa De Campo<br>San Mateo, CA 94403<br>(650) 241-0895<br>www.mosaicsanmateo.com           |
| Acappella Apartments<br>1001 National Ave<br>San Bruno, CA 94066<br>https://liveacappella.com                             | Sequoia Apartments<br>1212 Whipple Avenue<br>Redwood City, CA 94062<br>(650) 364-4071<br>www.sequoiaredwoodcity.com                  | Crystal Springs Terrace<br>2000 Crystal Springs Road<br>San Bruno, CA 94066<br>(650) 583-8043<br>www.crystalspringsterrace.com |
| Courtyard Apartments<br>1309 Marshall Street<br>Redwood City, CA 94063<br>(650) 276-4205<br>www.courtyardapartmentsrc.com | Wellesley Crescent Apartments<br>141 Wellesley Crescent<br>Redwood City, CA 94062<br>(650) 369-6500<br>www.wellesleycrescentapts.com | Pacific Bay Vistas<br>2 Pacific Bay Cir,<br>San Bruno, CA 94066<br>www.pacificbayvistas.com                                    |
| <b>Avalon San Bruno</b><br>1099 Admiral Ct,<br>San Bruno, CA 94066<br>(877) 783-2925                                      | Brewster Place<br>600 Brewster Avenue<br>Redwood City, CA 94063<br>(650) 368-9230  | <b>Skycrest Apartments</b><br>750-754 Glenview Dr<br>San Bruno, CA 94066   |
| <b>55 W. 5th Apartments</b><br>55 West 5th Avenue<br>San Mateo, CA 94402<br>(650) 348-2314                                | Temper Lane Apartments<br>400 E. Hillsdale Blvd<br>Belmont, CA<br>(650) 483-0945   | Monticello Apartments<br>1235 Jefferson Avenue<br>Redwood City, CA 94062<br>(650) 276-4155<br>www.themonticelloapartments.com  |

#### **Other Housing Options**

- Craigslist, http://sfbay.craigslist.org/pen, is an online bulletin board that has listings for apartments and shared housing in this area. You can find locations on the map. These listings are posted by individuals, not businesses; you will probably need to leave many telephone messages with your contact information before you can see the apartments or rooms. Be careful of "scams" (tricks in which people try to steal from others.) If anyone asks you to pay before seeing a room or apartment, it is probably a scam. Talk with the director if someone asks you to do anything that sounds strange.
- Some apartments advertise with "Apartment for Rent" signs outside the building. You can go to neighborhoods that you like and look for such signs. We will be happy to look at maps with you and give you information about specific areas.
- Please note that Language Pacifica does not have a dormitory.

### **Public Transportation**

- The **Clipper Card** is a card that can hold Caltrain passes, bus passes, and cash value. You can buy it at some local stores such as Walgreen's or Whole Foods. It can also be ordered online. Go to <u>www.clippercard.com</u> for more information. Ask school personnel if you have questions about how to buy or use a Clipper Card.
- The Caltrain monthly pass for any two zones allows you to use SamTrans and VTA buses as well. The monthly pass also includes unlimited travel on weekends.
- If you choose to use cash rather than a Clipper Card, take exact change for all buses, as bus drivers can't give change.

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#### San Mateo County Buses (SamTrans)

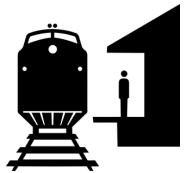
www.samtrans.org; (800) 660-4287

Menlo Park and north are in San Mateo County. Monthly passes can also be used on VTA buses from shared stops (bus stops that receive both SamTrans and VTA buses.)

#### Santa Clara County Buses (VTA)

www.vta.org; (800) 894-9908

Palo Alto and south are in Santa Clara County. Monthly passes can also be used on SamTrans buses from shared stops (bus stops that receive both VTA and SamTrans buses.)



#### Caltrain Peninsula Rail Service

www.caltrain.com (800) 660-4287 There is just one line, operating from Gilroy in the south to San Francisco in the north.

Buy your ticket from the machine at the station before boarding the train. It is not possible to pay on the train! The penalty fee for riding the train without paying is \$75.

If you are 18 years old or younger, or 65 years old or older, you may buy a discounted

ticket. However, you must carry official identification with your picture and birthdate on it to prove your age to the conductor on the train. If you don't have official identification with your picture and birthdate on it, buy a regular ticket.

• Clipper cards must have \$1.25 on them at all times and must be "tagged" by the card reading machine at the station at the beginning and end of the trip. Monthly pass holders do this just on the first trip of the month.

#### Language Pacifica's Location

- Our address is 1528 El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA, 94402.
- SamTrans bus ECR-155 stops at El Camino and 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, about a 2-minute walk from the school.
- The Hayward Park Caltrain Station is a 10-minute walk from the school.
- There is a 2-hour limit to **parking** in front of the school along El Camino, but there are streets behind the school (a 3-minute walk from the school) on which parking is not limited. Check for signs before you park.

### Health and Welfare

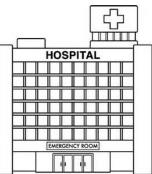
#### Insurance

**Personal health insurance coverage is much less expensive than medical care** in the US and is therefore **strongly recommended**. A 15-minute office visit to a doctor usually costs about \$300 without

medical insurance, and if a couple of simple medical tests are added, the cost can easily go up to \$1000. Accidents or serious medical problems can cost much, much more.

Acceptable health insurance must pay the majority of costs for basic and major medical situations, including hospital and emergency costs relating to illness and injury as well as medical evacuation and repatriation.

Students are not insured by Language Pacifica or by the host family against illness, accident, theft or any loss of personal effects. The school cannot accept responsibility for any accidents occurring during the course, on excursions, or during group activities.



Many students arrive with insurance from their home countries. Following are options

for those without insurance. The cost per month varies widely according to the student's age, the deductible (the amount you pay before the insurance company begins to pay), and the benefits. Please see the websites for more information. Buying insurance is complicated, so ask the director for help if you feel confused!

HTH Worldwide, www.hthstudents.com One Radnor Corporate Center, Suite 100, Radnor, PA 19087 Phone: (877) 424-4325 (toll-free), Fax: (610) 254-8797  ISO—International Student Organizations, Compass Insurance, www.isoa.org
 250 West 49th Street, Suite 806, New York, NY 10019
 Phone: (800) 244-1180

## **Hospitals and Clinics**

For emergency care, telephone "911". Paramedics will come. It is free; there is no charge for calling 911. If it is necessary, an ambulance will take you to the nearest hospital. There is a cost if you ride in the ambulance. The cost may or may not be covered by your insurance. You may accept or deny the ambulance ride. For non-emergency care, contact your insurance company for a list of doctors that you may use. Following is contact information for hospitals and clinics in this area. We will be happy to help you to contact them. Clinics: These accept insurance and also have the best rates for uninsured people.

- One Medical Group, www.onemedical.com/sf/doctors, is a membership group in Burlingame, Redwood City and more
- Direct Urgent Care, www.directurgentcare.com, 1150 West El Camino Real, Mountain View
- <u>Hospitals</u>:
- San Mateo Medical Center Hospital and Clinics, www.smchealth.org/smmc,222 West 39th Avenue, San Mateo, CA 94403, (650) 573-2222 (main number), (650) 573-3200 (new patients)
- Stanford University Hospital, www.stanfordhospital.org, 300 Pasteur Drive, Stanford, CA 94305, (800) 756-9000
- El Camino Hospital, www.elcaminohospital.org, 2500 Grant Road, Mountain View, CA 94040, (650) 940-7000
- Sequoia Hospital, www.sequoiahospital.org, 170 Alameda de las Pulgas, Redwood City, CA 94062, (650) 369-5811

Dentist: Dr. Negar Parravi, 1300 University Drive, Suite 3, Menlo Park, CA 94025, (650) 325-2829, <u>negar@parravidds.com</u>

**Deccan Dental, same building as Language Pacifica,** Suite 408, (650) 212-3500, info@mydeccandental.com <u>Women's Health Center</u>:

• Planned Parenthood, www.plannedparenthood.org, in Redwood City, 1230 Hopkins Street, Redwood City, 94062, (800) 967-7526 and Mountain View, 225 San Antonio Rd, Mountain View, 94040, (650) 948-0807

**EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS** The school's **weekend emergency number** is (650) 766-3452. Following are **other emergency numbers** (these are public, not part of Language Pacifica):

> Call "911" for police, fire or medical emergency. Calling 911 is free. There is no cost. A "hotline" or "helpline" is a phone number people can call when they need to talk with someone about a personal problem such as alcohol, drugs, or thoughts of suicide. Calling one of these numbers will not bring police, firemen, or doctors to your home.

- **24-Hour Crisis Hotline**: (650) 579-0350 or 1-800-273-TALK (8255), www.crisiscenter.cc
- National Suicide Prevention Helpline: 1-800-784-2433 (1-800-SUICIDE), www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org
- 24-Hour Youth Hotline: (650) 579-0353 or www.onyourmind.net
- Alcohol & Drug Helpline: (650) 573-3950

If there is an **emergency requiring police, firemen, or doctors during a Language Pacifica social or recreational activity**, call **911**. If there is an emergency outside of school requiring police, firemen, or doctors, call **911**.

### Libraries

There are many local libraries, providing computers, printers, DVDs, etc. in addition to books. Ask the director for help if you would like to get a library card.

Peninsula Library System, www.plsinfo.org

San Mateo City – Main Library, 55 West 3rd Avenue, San Mateo, CA, 94402 Plus 10 more branches within 5 miles of Language Pacifica, including College of San Mateo Library

Palo Alto Library, www.cityofpaloalto.org/depts/lib

Embarcadero Library, 1213 Newell Road, Palo Alto, 94303, plus 2 more branches

#### Mountain View Library, www.library.ci.mtnview.ca.us

585 Franklin Street, Mountain View, 94041



### **Government Offices**

Ask in the office if you need help contacting one of these or need to contact another government agency.

#### Post Office, www.usps.com

1630 South Delaware Street, San Mateo, CA 94402 135 West 25TH Avenue, San Mateo, CA 94403

#### California State Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), www.dmv.ca.gov, (800) 777-0133

San Mateo Office, 425 N. Amphlett Boulevard, San Mateo, 94401 Redwood City Office, 300 Brewster Avenue, Redwood City, 94063

Santa Clara Office, 3665 Flora Vista Avenue, Santa Clara, 95051

#### USCIS, www.uscis.gov, San Francisco District Office



Mailing address: 630 Sansome Street, San Francisco, CA 94111

Street address: 444 Washington Street, San Francisco, 94111

#### Money Changing

Travelex Foreign Currency Services, 606 Stanford Shopping Center or SFO, (650) 321-3309. Open every day.

#### Favorite Restaurants and Markets near Language Pacifica

Charm Thai Eatery, 1428 South El Camino Real, charmthaieatery.com Mr. Pickle's Sandwich Shop, 1432 South El Camino Real. San Mateo, CA 94402 Pirooz Market, 1614 S El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA 94402 Truffle Butter Poke Bar, 1234 S El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA 94402 Santa Ramen, 1944 S El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA 94403

El Sinaloense, 1622 Palm Avenue, San Mateo, CA 94402 (behind Safeway)



Heidi's Pies, 1941 South El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA 94403
Jack's Restaurant and Bar, 1750 S El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA 94402
Windy City Pizza and Barbeque, 35 Bovet Rd, San Mateo, CA 94402
Original Nick's Pizzeria and Pub, 1214 South El Camino Real, San Mateo, Ca 94402

Nijiya Market, 1956 S El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA 94403 Safeway, 1655 El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA 94402 Starbuck's, 1701 S El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA 94402

### **Payment of Tuition and Fees**

Payment of tuition, registration, materials and textbooks is due by the first day of study. The 16-week rate is lowest, but it is fine to pay for shorter periods. Pay only for the number of weeks you know you'll study, as a twoweek penalty fee is subtracted from refunds. When a period is finished, payment for the next period is due.

Fees: Add the following fees to your tuition. No fees are refundable.

<u>One-time Fees Required of All Students</u> Registration: \$95 Materials: \$15

If Applicable Reading textbook: \$45 Grammar textbook: \$35 iBT TOEFL textbook: \$40

Homestay placement: \$150 Airport transfer: \$75 each way STRF Assessment: \$0

| Number<br>of<br>weeks | Full-time Intensive<br>English<br>(25 classes/week) | Part-time<br>Intensive English<br>(20 classes/week) | Full-time<br>Intensive +<br>daily semi-private<br>lesson<br>(30 classes/week) | Integrated<br>Skills<br>(15 classes<br>per week) | Two<br>classes/day<br>(10 classes<br>per week) | 1 class/day<br>(5 classes<br>per week) |
|-----------------------|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| 1                     | \$330   | \$280   | \$570   | \$240  | \$170  | \$90                                   |
| 2                     | \$645   | \$560   | \$1080  | \$470  | \$340  | \$170                                  |
| 3                     | \$950   | \$830   | \$1600  | \$690  | \$500  | \$260                                  |
| 4                     | \$1260  | \$1100  | \$2140  | \$910  | \$650  | \$340                                  |
| 5                     | \$1560  | \$1360  | \$2660  | \$1120   | \$790  | \$420                                  |
| 6                     | \$1860  | \$1610  | \$3180  | \$1330   | \$930  | \$490                                  |
| 7                     | \$2140  | \$1860  | \$3730  | \$1550   | \$1060   | \$570                                  |
| *8                    | \$2430  | \$2110  | \$4200  | \$1740   | \$1180   | \$640                                  |
| *16                   | \$4480  | \$4000  | \$8000  | \$3296   | \$2240   | \$1216                                 |

\*Note: Tuition for extra weeks is prorated. 9-15 weeks is prorated from the 8-week rate; over 16 weeks is prorated from the 16-week rate.

• Private Lessons: \$70/class or \$650 for 10 classes (one class=50 minutes)

• Semi-private lessons: \$450/person for 10 classes (must have a partner)

Total charges for Full-time Intensive Program for students placing into Level 1 who want to complete Level 6 on time in 2019: \$27, 470.

Example total: Tuition for the 8-week Full-time Intensive English Program is: \$2430+ \$95 registration fee + \$15 materials fee + \$45 reading textbook + \$35 grammar textbook = \$2620 total.

You may pay by cash, check, credit card (Visa or Mastercard), money order, or bank wire transfer.

### **Cancellation and Refund Policy**

**Student's Right to Cancel:** You have the right to cancel your agreement for a program of instruction, without any penalty or obligations, through attendance at the first class session or the seventh day after enrollment, whichever is later. After you begin classes, you have the right to stop school at any time and you have the right to receive a pro rata refund minus a cancellation fee. A written notice must be submitted to the office. Cancellation must be requested and approved.

**Cancellation Prior to Start Date:** If enrollment at Language Pacifica is cancelled prior to the class start date, all tuition paid will be refunded. The registration and homestay placement fees are not refundable. The airport transfer fee is refundable if cancellation is made more than 72 hours before the student's arrival.

Withdrawal after Course Start Date: Refunds are prorated, and a two-week cancellation fee is subtracted. (If cancellation is made just one week before the end of the paid tuition period, the cancellation fee is just the one week.) Refunds will be calculated on a weekly basis. When determining the number of weeks, a partial week will be considered the same as if a whole week were completed, provided the student was present at least one day during the scheduled week.

|   | Full-time Intensive | Part-time         | Full-time Intensive +     | Integrated Skills | Two classes/day | 1 class/day |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------|
|   | English             | Intensive English | daily semi-private lesson | (15 classes       | (10 classes     | (5 classes  |
|   | (25 classes/week)   | (20 classes/week) | (30 classes/week)         | per week)         | per week)       | per week)   |
| 2-week<br>penalty fee<br>subtracted<br>from refund: | \$645               | \$560             | \$1080                    | \$470             | \$340           | \$170       |

**Example 1:** Eight weeks of Full-time Intensive English (25 classes/week) Student paid: \$2620 (\$2430 tuition+ \$95 registration fee + \$15 materials fee + \$45 reading text + \$35 grammar text) Student cancels during Week 5. Only the tuition is refundable. For the refund, the seven-week rate is used (five weeks studied + two-week cancellation fee.) This is subtracted from the tuition paid. The refund is: \$2430 - \$2140 = \$290.

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**Example 2:** Four weeks of Part-time Intensive English (20 classes/week) Student paid: \$1290 (\$1100 tuition + \$95 registration + \$15 materials + \$35 grammar text + \$45 reading text) Only the tuition is refundable. Student cancels during Week 2. Because there is a two-week cancellation fee, there is no refund.

**Example 3:** Eight weeks of three classes per day (15 classes/week) Student paid: \$1895 (\$1740 tuition + \$95 registration + \$15 materials + \$45 reading text) Only the tuition is refundable. Student cancels during Week 3. For the refund, the five-week rate is used (three weeks studied + two-week cancellation fee.) This is subtracted from the tuition paid. The refund is: \$1740 - \$1120 = \$620.

Refund requests must be made in writing. Refunds will be paid or credited within 45 days of receipt of the written request.

#### The following statements are required by California law.

**Financial Aid:** Students at Language Pacifica are not eligible for federal or state financial aid programs. **Student Loans:** Language Pacifica students are not eligible for federal or state loans. However, there is a state requirement that the following information be posted in our school catalog: "If a student obtains a loan to pay for an educational program, the student will have the responsibility to repay the full amount of the loan plus interest, less the amount of any refund. If the student has received federal student financial aid funds, the student is entitled to a refund of the money not paid from federal student financial aid program funds."

**Policies and Practices Regarding Any Form of Financial Aid:** Language Pacifica students are not eligible for any form of financial aid through the school.

# "NOTICE CONCERNING TRANSFERABILITY OF CREDITS AND CREDENTIALS EARNED AT OUR INSTITUTION

The transferability of credits you earn at Language Pacifica is at the complete discretion of an institution to which you may seek to transfer. Acceptance of the certificate you earn in Intensive English Program is also at the complete discretion of the institution to which you may seek to transfer. If the certificate that you earn at this institution is not accepted at the institution to which you seek to transfer, you may be required to repeat some or all of your coursework at that institution. For this reason you should make certain that your attendance at this institution will meet your educational goals. This may include contacting an institution to which you may seek to transfer after attending Language Pacifica to determine if your certificate will transfer."

#### (Please note that this is not connected to Language Pacifica's conditional acceptance program.)

"The State of California established the Student Tuition Recovery Fund (STRF) to relieve or mitigate economic loss suffered by a student in an educational program at a qualifying institution, who is or was a California resident while enrolled, or was enrolled in a residency program, if the student enrolled in the institution, prepaid tuition, and suffered an economic loss. Unless relieved of the obligation to do so, you must pay the state-imposed assessment for the STRF, or it must be paid on your behalf, if you are a student in an educational program, who is a California resident, or are enrolled in a residency program, and prepay all or part of your tuition.

You are not eligible for protection from the STRF and you are not required to pay the STRF assessment, if you are not a California resident, or are not enrolled in a residency program."

"It is important that you keep copies of your enrollment agreement, financial aid documents, receipts, or any other information that documents the amount paid to the school. Questions regarding the STRF may be directed to the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education, 2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 400, Sacramento, CA 95833, (916) 431-6959 or (888) 370-7589.

To be eligible for STRF, you must be a California resident or are enrolled in a residency program, prepaid tuition, paid or deemed to have paid the STRF assessment, and suffered an economic loss as a result of any of the following:

1. The institution, a location of the institution, or an educational program offered by the institution was closed or discontinued, and you did not choose to participate in a teach-out plan approved by the Bureau or did not complete a chosen teach-out plan approved by the Bureau.

2. You were enrolled at an institution or a location of the institution within the 120 day period before the closure of the institution or location of the institution, or were enrolled in an educational program within the 120 day period before the program was discontinued.

3. You were enrolled at an institution or a location of the institution more than 120 days before the closure of the institution or location of the institution, in an educational program offered by the institution as to which the Bureau determined there was a significant decline in the quality or value of the program more than 120 days before closure. 4. The institution has been ordered to pay a refund by the Bureau but has failed to do so.

5. The institution has failed to pay or reimburse loan proceeds under a federal student loan program as required by law, or has failed to pay or reimburse proceeds received by the institution in excess of tuition and other costs.

6. You have been awarded restitution, a refund, or other monetary award by an arbitrator or court, based on a violation of this chapter by an institution or representative of an institution, but have been unable to collect the award from the institution.

7. You sought legal counsel that resulted in the cancellation of one or more of your student loans and have an invoice for services rendered and evidence of the cancellation of the student loan or loans.

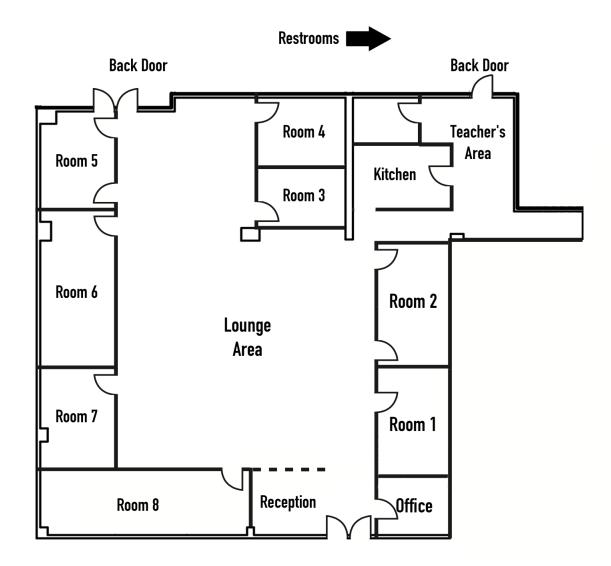
To qualify for STRF reimbursement, the application must be received within four (4) years from the date of the action or event that made the student eligible for recovery from STRF.

A student whose loan is revived by a loan holder or debt collector after a period of noncollection may, at any time, file a written application for recovery from STRF for the debt that would have otherwise been eligible for recovery. If it has been more than four (4) years since the action or event that made the student eligible, the student must have filed a written application for recovery within the original four (4) year period, unless the period has been extended by another act of law.

However, no claim can be paid to any student without a social security number or a taxpayer identification number."

#### **Prior Experiential Learning**

Language Pacifica does not award credit for prior experiential learning. There are no assessments, policies or procedures, provisions for appeal, or charges for prior experiential learning.



### Map of the Language Pacifica building

The school consists of 8 classrooms surrounding an open lounge area that includes four computers for student use. Free WiFi is available throughout the building. There is a small kitchen with a snack machine, a cold drink vending machine, a hot drink vending machine, a hot water pot, two microwaves, a refrigerator, and a sink. The tap water is safe to drink.

Restrooms are located within the building, but outside our suite, and require a code—please ask for it at reception.

#### **Emergency Procedure**

- **Fire**: Walk out the front door to the street, turn left, and walk down El Camino Real to the first open area, the parking lot just after Ricochet Wearable Art. Meet with your teacher and we'll count to be sure everyone has left the building.
- **Earthquake**: Wait in your seats until the quake has stopped, then walk out the front door to El Camino Real.



# STUDENT ATTENDANCE/GRADE RECORD (Sample) Integrated Skills: Speaking/Listening, Reading/Vocabulary, Writing 9:00-11:50 a.m.

| Name (with nickname in parentheses) | Course | Country | Length |
|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|--------|
| Mr.                                 |        |         |        |
| Ms.                                 |        |         |        |

| Session | Beginning Date | Level | Instructor |
|---------|----------------|-------|------------|
|         |                |       |            |
|         |                |       |            |

|                   | V       | =prese | Attendanc<br>nt, A=abser |          | y   | Homework | Speaking (40%)   | Graded<br>Assignments<br>(20%) | Quizzes and<br>Tests<br>(20%) |
|-------------------|---------|--------|--------------------------|----------|-----|----------|------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Week              | М       | Т      | W                        | Th       | F   | √ or -   | Average for Week | Grades                         | Grades                        |
| 1                 |         |        |                          |          |     |          |                  |                                |                               |
| 2                 |         |        |                          |          |     |          |                  |                                |                               |
| 3                 |         |        |                          |          |     |          |                  |                                |                               |
| 4                 |         |        |                          |          |     |          |                  |                                | <u>Midterm (10%)</u>          |
| Midterm<br>Totals | Present |        | <u>Absent</u>            | <u> </u> | rdy | Average  | Average          | Average                        | <u>Average</u>                |
| 5                 |         |        |                          |          |     |          |                  |                                |                               |
| 6                 |         |        |                          |          |     |          |                  |                                |                               |
| 7                 |         |        |                          |          |     |          |                  |                                |                               |
| 8                 |         |        |                          |          |     |          |                  |                                | <u>Final (10%)</u>            |
| Final<br>Totals   | Present |        | <u>Absent</u>            | <u> </u> | rdy | Average  | Average          | Average                        | <u>Average</u>                |

#### Notes:

Grades: A+ = 98-100%, A = 93-97%, A- = 90-92%, B+ = 88-89%, B = 83-87%, B- = 80-82%, C+ = 78-79%, C = 73-77% C- = 70-72%, D+ = 68-69%, D = 63-67%, D- = 60-62%, Fail= 0-59%

|  | Final | Grade | (Session | Comp | leted) |
|--|-------|-------|----------|------|--------|
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or

Grade after \_\_\_\_\_ weeks

Two 8-week sessions comprise each level. Final grades of "C" or better allow promotion to the next level.

□ Not promoted—consultation between student and teacher was held explaining reasons. See notes on reverse.



# STUDENT ATTENDANCE/GRADE RECORD Grammar

### 12:00-12:50 p.m.

| Name (with nickname in parentheses) | Course | Country | Length |
|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|--------|
| Mr.                                 |        |         |        |
| Ms.                                 |        |         |        |

| Session | Beginning Date | Level | Instructor |
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|         |                |       |            |
|         |                |       |            |

|                   |                |   | Attendanc<br>nt, A=absent |           |            | Homework<br>√ or - | Applied Grammar<br>(40%) | Quizzes and<br>Tests (20%) | Exams                             |
|-------------------|----------------|---|---------------------------|-----------|------------|--------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Week<br>1         | M              | Т | W                         | Th        | F          | Average            | Average for week         | Grades                     | Grade on<br>Midterm<br>Exam (20%) |
| 2                 |                |   |                           |           |            |                    |                          |                            |                                   |
| 3                 |                |   |                           |           |            |                    |                          |                            |                                   |
| 4                 |                |   |                           |           |            |                    |                          |                            |                                   |
| Midterm<br>Totals | <u>Present</u> |   | <u>Absent</u>             | <u>Ta</u> | <u>rdy</u> | <u>Average</u>     | <u>Average</u>           | <u>Average</u>             |                                   |
| 5                 |                |   |                           |           |            |                    |                          |                            | Grade on<br>Final Exam<br>(20%)   |
| 6                 |                |   |                           |           |            |                    |                          |                            | (20%)                             |
| 7                 |                |   |                           |           |            |                    |                          |                            |                                   |
| 8                 |                |   |                           |           |            |                    |                          |                            | 1                                 |
| Final<br>Totals   | <u>Present</u> |   | Absent                    | Ta        | <u>rdy</u> | <u>Average</u>     | <u>Average</u>           | <u>Average</u>             | <u>Average</u>                    |

#### Notes:

Grades: A+ = 98-100%, A = 93-97%, A- = 90-92%, B+ = 88-89%, B = 83-87%, B- = 80-82%, C+ = 78-79%, C = 73-77% C- = 70-72%, D+ = 68-69%, D = 63-67%, D- = 60-62%, Fai l= 0-59% Final Grade (Session Completed)

or

Grade after \_\_\_\_\_ weeks

Two 8-week sessions compose each level. Final grades of "C" or better allow promotion to the next level.

Not promoted—consultation between student and teacher was held explaining reasons. See notes on reverse.



# STUDENT ATTENDANCE/GRADE RECORD Discussion

# 1:30-2:20 p.m.

|       | Name (with nickname in parentheses) | Course | Country | Length |
|-------|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|--------|
| 🗆 Mr. |                                     |        |         |        |
| 🗆 Ms. |                                     |        |         |        |

| Session | Beginning Date | Level | Instructor |
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|                   |         |               | tendance     |        |   | Speaking Grade and Instructor Comments |
|-------------------|---------|---------------|--------------|--------|---|--|
|                   |         | √=present, /  | A=absent, T= | tardy= |   |  |
| Week              | М       | Т             | w            | Th     | F |  |
| 1                 |         |               |              |        |   |  |
| 2                 |         |               |              |        |   |  |
| 3                 |         |               |              |        |   |  |
| 4                 |         |               |              |        |   |  |
| Midterm<br>Totals | Present | <u>Absent</u> | <u>Tardy</u> |        |   | Average                                |
| 5                 |         |               |              |        |   |  |
| 6                 |         |               |              |        |   |  |
| 7                 |         |               |              |        |   |  |
| 8                 |         |               |              |        |   |  |
| Final<br>Totals   | Present | <u>Absent</u> | <u>Tardy</u> |        |   | Average                                |

#### Notes:

Final grade components: Speaking Grade: 100% Grades: A+ = 98-100%, A = 93-97%, A- = 90-92%, B+ = 88-89%, B = 83-87%, B- = 80-82%, C+ = 78-79%, C = 73-77%

| Final Grade (Session Completed) |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| or<br>Grade after weeks         |  |
|                                 |  |



# Language Pacifica Evaluation (Sample form)

We welcome your input! Please answer the following and return the form to us.

The School **1**. The school administrators are welcoming and helpful. - + + Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly Agree 2. The school administrators help me when I need help. - - -- + + **Strongly Disagree** Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly Agree 3. The school administrators answer my questions clearly. - + + **Strongly Disagree** Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly Agree 4. The Language Pacifica building is comfortable. - - 🗆 - + + -0-Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly Agree 5. The school atmosphere is good. - - □-**Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree** Disagree Neutral Agree 6. Language Pacifica has good social activities. - + + **Strongly Disagree** Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly Agree 7. I am happy that I chose Language Pacifica. - - -- + + Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly Agree 8. What do you like about Language Pacifica? \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Do you have any specific ideas to improve Language Pacifica? 10. How did you find Language Pacifica? DWebsite Dagent DFamily or friend Other\_\_\_ 11. Does Language Pacifica match the information you received before arrival? 🗆 Yes □No If the information you received about Language Pacifica before arrival was incorrect, how was it incorrect?

#### Your Class

Select the class you are evaluating:

□ Integrated Skills, 9:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. □ Discussion, 1:30 – 2:20 p.m.

□ Grammar, 12:00-12:50 p.m.

□ TOEFL Preparation, 1:30 – 2:20 p.m.

**1**. My teacher is friendly and welcoming.

| Stro                  |                                      |                         |         |       |                      |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------|-------|----------------------|
| 50.0                  | ngly Disagree                        | Disagree                | Neutral | Agree | Strongly Agre        |
|                       | is well prepared f                   |                         |         |       |                      |
|                       | ngly Disagree                        |                         | Neutral | Agree | □ +<br>Strongly Agre |
|                       |                                      | participate in class    |         |       |                      |
|                       | ngly Disagree                        | Disagree                | Neutral | Agree | Strongly Agre        |
|                       | helps me when I ı                    | need help in class.     |         |       |                      |
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|                       | oks are suitable fo                  | -                       |         |       |                      |
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| -                     | presents new info                    | -                       |         |       |                      |
|                       | ngly Disagree                        | Disagree                | Neutral | Agree | Strongly Agre        |
|                       | interesting.                         |                         |         |       |                      |
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| ,<br>                 | answers my ques<br><br>ngly Disagree |                         | Neutral | Agree |                      |
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| Stro<br>I am satisfic | ngly Disagree                        | Disagree<br>ess so far. | _       | —     |                      |

11. What could be improved in this class? \_\_\_\_\_

#### Homestay

□ I have a homestay arranged by Language Pacifica with breakfast and dinner

□ I have a homestay arranged by Language Pacifica without meals

I do not have a homestay arranged by Language Pacifica

If you have a homestay arranged by Language Pacifica, please fill out the following.

1. My host is warm and welcoming. - - ------ + + Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly Agree 2. Meals are delicious and satisfying. Π-Π. Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly Agree 3. The home is comfortable. **Strongly Disagree** Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly Agree 4. The home is clean enough. - - 🗆 🗕 - + + Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Agree Strongly Agree 5. My host talks with me. - - □ -++ Strongly Disagree Disagree Neutral Agree **Strongly Agree** 6. I receive help when I need it from my host. **Strongly Disagree** Disagree **Strongly Agree** Neutral Agree 7. My host taught me how to get to and from Language Pacifica. -++ **Strongly Disagree** Disagree Neutral Agree **Strongly Agree** 8. I have enjoyed staying with this host. - - 🗆 - + + **Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree** Disagree Neutral Agree 9. What do you like about this homestay? \_\_\_\_\_

10. What about this homestay could be improved? \_\_\_\_\_\_



# **Complaint Form**

We want you to be satisfied with your study and progress at Language Pacifica. If you have a complaint, please talk with the director or the CEO as soon as possible.

If the problem is not solved to your satisfaction, please complete this form and hand it in to the office.

Your name: \_

Your complaint:

How you would like your complaint to be resolved:

Language Pacifica 1528 South El Camino Real San Mateo, CA 94402 (650) 321-1840 esl@languagepacifica.com www.languagepacifica.com

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| Action taken:       |       |  |
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|                     |       |  |
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|                     |       |  |
| Signature of CEO:   | Date: |  |