

Your Official Source on U.S. Higher Education

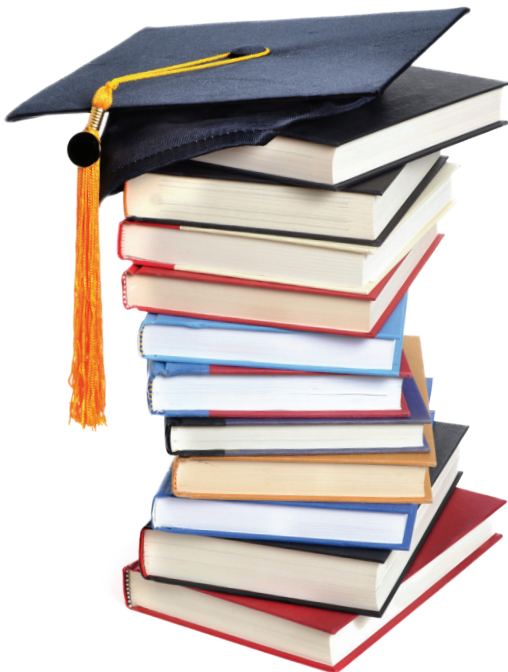
With thousands of accredited U.S. colleges and universities in the United States, how do you find the one that is right for you? EducationUSA advisers around the world offer information, orientation, and guidance as you search for higher education institutions in the United States that fit your needs.

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## EducationUSA makes applying to a U.S. college or university clear with **Your 5 Steps to U.S. Study**

### 1. Research Your Options

- Define your priorities
- Familiarize yourself with U.S. degrees
- Learn about search options to explore thousands of accredited U.S. institutions



### 2. Finance Your Studies

- Develop a budget
- Find ways to reduce educational costs
- Search for scholarships and other financial aid

### 3. Complete Your Application

- Manage the application timeline
- Tackle application requirements, including required tests
- Write personal essays or statements of purpose

### 4. Apply for Your Student Visa

- Understand which forms are needed
- Outline the visa application process
- Feel prepared for your interview

### 5. Prepare for Your Departure

- Know what to expect when you arrive
- Ease into your new academic environment
- Adjust well to U.S. culture and your new community

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