



# FORT COLLINS INTERNATIONAL CENTER

Enhancing International Understanding, Cultural Exchange & Friendship



**FORT COLLINS INTERNATIONAL CENTER (FCIC)** welcomes you to Fort Collins! We are happy you chose Colorado State University and we want to make sure that you enjoy your time here. Your first priority is your studies, however, we hope you will take some time to become involved in our community, meet the people, and enjoy our friendship! FCIC is the only officially recognized volunteer organization of the Office of International Programs. There are many opportunities for interaction between international students, scholars, their families, and the local community. We look forward to getting to know you as you participate in our various programs.

**INTERNATIONAL FRIENDS** - Connecting international students, scholars, and families with assigned community families for ongoing cultural interchanges. Sign up online to be an International Friend to a local family, and share your own culture and traditions as you experience theirs. Participants are matched according to shared interests and agree to get together at least once a month during the school year. International students will experience events such as birthday parties, special holidays, family traditions and celebrations, and outings exploring some of the surrounding areas.

**FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLUB (FAC)** - FAC is every Friday at 6:00 p.m. at the International House Apartments. Community members, faculty, and CSU students from all nations get together to socialize, enjoy refreshments, and participate in fun activities while learning about other cultures. The last Friday of every month is a potluck meal, when we ask guests to bring a dish to share. Potlucks continue all summer with outdoor barbecues. FAC provides the opportunity to learn about other cultures, meet new people, and learn about upcoming programs of interest. Contact FCIC Campus Liaison Aimee Nord if you wish to showcase your culture at a FAC: [aimee.walton@colostate.edu](mailto:aimee.walton@colostate.edu)

**THE OUTDOOR PROGRAM**- Explore beautiful Colorado and connect with your new home in a fun and active way. Each month is a new hike or outdoor activity. Programs include a Learn to Ski or Snowboard trip, snowtubing, hiking, plus adventurous and cultural explorations like the Cheyenne Frontier Days, at minimal cost. Contact Mark Oberschmidt at [obermurray@comcast.net](mailto:obermurray@comcast.net) .

**INTERNATIONAL NIGHT AT THE LIBRARY**- Twice a month, students and community members share their experiences of other countries or their home country. Every 2nd Tuesday, the public is invited to attend at the Fort Collins Main Library in the Delatour Room at 7 p.m. Every 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, the same presenters speak again at the Harmony Library on the Front Range Community College Campus at 7 p.m. Volunteer today if you would like to share your country with the local community. Contact Mark Oberschmidt at [obermurray@comcast.net](mailto:obermurray@comcast.net).

**GLOBAL AMBASSADORS** – This student-run club arranges dates and provides transportation for you to meet with local school students to share your cultural heritage, language, and your country's history. This is a great opportunity to practice language skills as well as get an inside view of the American school system! Visit <http://globalambassadorsprogram.wordpress.com/> to volunteer as a presenter or be a part of our leadership team.

**CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH CLASSES** - Free weekly classes every Monday at Aggie Village from 9:30-11 a.m., and every Thursday at University Village from 9:30-11 a.m. These classes offer language help for all levels, and offer insight into American customs and build community with others.

**INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB** - All women are invited to join this community of women from around the world. Female spouses of current CSU students are especially encouraged to attend, even if they are not studying at CSU. This is a great way to make connections with others in a comfortable atmosphere. Children are welcome. Every Tuesday, 10 - 11:30 a.m. in Aggie Village Center.

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