


**Foundations of
Success for
International Students**

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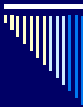
**Welcome to the College of
Southern Nevada**

- Foundations of Success for International Students (FSIS) is an introductory 5-week course. It helps international students
 - Transition to higher education in the United States
 - Adjust to living in Las Vegas
 - Understand the important but subtle relationship between academic success and F-1 students' immigration status.



What this course is about

- The FSIS course will:
 - Explain how to achieve academic success in U.S. higher education;
 - Discuss cultural adjustment and personal development in an unfamiliar environment;
 - Assist students in understanding US immigration benefits and regulations pertaining to their F-1 student status.



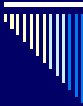
Learning Objectives-Academic

- By the end of the course, the student will be able to:
 - Describe CSN policy regarding:
 - 1) Maximum number of credits students can register for each semester & the process for applying for excess credit load;
 - 2) Number of on-line credits F-1 students can register for each semester;
 - 3) Consequences for not paying tuition by the payment deadline each semester;
 - 4) Application procedures for graduation.
 - Performance will be satisfactory if all policies can be accurately described.



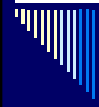
Learning Objectives-Academic

- By the end of the course, the student will be able to:
 - Register on-line for future semesters while complying with CSN policy & US immigration regulations.
 - Performance will be satisfactory if students can outline registration steps given different circumstances.



Learning Objectives-Academic

- By the end of the course, the student will be able to:
 - Differentiate between the grades of "W" & "F";
 - Understand the relationship between receiving a grade of "W" and F-1 status.
 - Performance will be satisfactory if the student can make competent decisions given a simulated situation.



Learning Objectives-Academic

- By the end of the course, the student will be able to:
 - Accurately describe CSN International Center's transfer policies & procedures.
- Performance will be satisfactory if students can demonstrate knowledge by correctly filling out a transfer form.




Learning Objectives - Cultural Adaptation & Life Skills

- By the end of the course, the student will be able to:
 - Request enrollment verification required to obtain US Government issued documents;
 - Understand identity theft;
 - Identify ways to stay safe in a big city.
- Performance will be satisfactory if students demonstrate knowledge of:
 - Submitting document requests
 - Safety skills.




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
- By the end of the course, the student will be able to:
 - Understand skills for getting along with roommates;
 - Recognize the phases of culture shock and become familiar with ways to cope with cultural conflict.
- Performance will be satisfactory if students demonstrate awareness of:
 - Useful communication skills;
 - Culture shock, coping mechanisms, and help available at CCSN.

 Learning Objectives - Immigration

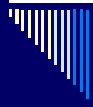
- By the end of the course, the student will be able to:
 - Explain how to maintain F-1 status;
 - Describe two ways to regain status if a student is in violation.
- Performance will be satisfactory if students can correctly explain including benefits and consequences.

 Learning Objectives - Immigration

- By the end of the course, the student will be able to:
 - Identify on and off-campus work authorization eligibility & procedures.
- Performance will be satisfactory if students can analyze & evaluate a situation for accuracy.

 Learning Objectives - Immigration

- By the end of the course, the student will be able to:
 - Demonstrate knowledge of how SEVIS pertains to their status.



Learner Expectations

- Follow the syllabus
- Come prepared to class every class meeting and on time
- Ask questions when you don't understand,
- Participate fully in each class.
