

English Language Program
California State University, San Bernardino

Statement of Diversity, Safety, and Cooperation

At the English Language Program (ELP) at CSUSB, we are committed to furthering knowledge and fulfilling our educational mission. We promote a campus environment that welcomes, celebrates, and promotes respect for the entire variety of human experience. In our commitment to diversity, we welcome people from all backgrounds and we seek to include knowledge, viewpoints, and values from many different cultures in the curriculum and extra-curricular life of the campus community. We extend to each other compassion and goodwill so all may feel comfortable being ourselves in a safe learning environment. To promote this safe learning environment, all student information, whether personal or academic is kept confidential between the faculty and administration.

Our commitment to work toward an environment that values diversity requires that we create, promote, and maintain activities and programs which further our understanding of individual and group diversity. We will also promote values which discourage intolerance and discrimination.

American classrooms promote teamwork and sharing ideas. Every person's ideas are valuable and important. Therefore, class activities may include group assignments, partner-work, and group or individual presentations. Group assignments may require you to work with both male and/or female classmates. Be prepared to participate in these American-style activities. Remember that your time in the U.S. is temporary, and that you must take advantage of your opportunities. This will also help you to gain confidence in your English skills and in yourself.