

# Green River Community College



**“The advisors in Green River Community College have been really exceptional. They are really helpful and they understand all the International students as they have been overseas before too.”**

*Student from Thailand*



## Location

Green River is a two-year college located in the Pacific Northwest area of the United States 35 minutes south of Seattle in Auburn, Washington, U.S.A. Being close to Seattle provides students with the opportunity to enjoy all the culture and activities of a big city, while living in a smaller, family-oriented community with a population of 35,000. Green River is a safe and friendly campus, as well.

## Climate

The Pacific Northwest is proof that the phrase “good weather” is a matter of perspective. If you’re hearty and don’t mind getting a little wet, the area is a good place for outdoor activities all year long. Summers are cool and usually dry.

## Programs and Majors

Green River Community College offers many majors for university transfer. Art Design, Business, Computer Science, Economics, Engineering, Journalism, Mathematics and Photography are popular majors for international students. See catalog for a full list of majors.

High School Completion is a popular program for International students seeking a high school diploma. The High School Completion program can be taken as part of the first-year University Transfer program for dual credit. Students must be seventeen years of age at the time of enrollment to participate in the program.

## Housing

All international students are placed in a Welcome Family for their first month at Green River Community College. Welcome families provide airport greeting, area orientation, campus visit, assistance with banking and obtaining a Washington State ID, a private room with meals, a long distance telephone card and assistance in choosing housing. Presently there are three housing options for students: Home stay with a host family; Home share with other students and Apartments. A 300-bed dorm is expected to be completed in September 2004.

## Sports

Varsity sports for men include baseball, basketball, soccer, tennis and golf. Women may participate in volleyball, basketball, soccer, tennis and golf. There

are numerous intramural sports, a fitness center, gymnasium and weight room that are available to students.

## Activities

A full time activities director for international students plans activities and outings on a regular basis. There are over thirty organizations on campus to join including the international students club, choir, drama, newspaper and radio station. Take a short train or bus ride to Seattle and chose from a multitude of activities

Attend a professional sporting event, visit the famous Pike Place Market, or just shop ’til you drop.

Not far from Seattle is world class skiing and hiking on Mt. Rainier, tremendous fishing on Puget Sound and three hours to the north is Vancouver, Canada.

## Transportation

Metro Bus service leaves from the campus every hour to Seattle, Tacoma and surrounding areas. Sounder Train service is available from Auburn to Seattle and Tacoma.

## Why Attend Green River Community College?

Green River Community college is a smart choice for international students. Lower cost, personal service, and easier admission are three great reasons.

Our students have transferred to top U.S. universities. Students who start their studies at Green River find academic and personal success through dedicated instructors and staff, small classes, and personal advising.

**Location:** Auburn, Washington

**Nearest Major City:** Seattle, Washington

**City Population:** 41,000

**Type of School:** Public, 2-year community college

**Degrees Offered:** AA, AS, certificates

**Enrollment:** 9,000

**International Enrollment:** 400

**TOEFL:** 500/173 or ESL