

Sierra Community College



“The International Office is very helpful for the students. You can come in and ask any question. There are always some nice people glad to help you.”

Student at Sierra CC

Location

Sierra College is located in Rocklin, a community in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada mountains. Rocklin is just minutes from Sacramento, the state capital, and about one hour from the Lake Tahoe region. Numerous rivers, lakes, state and national parks, and many ski resorts offer a many opportunities for outdoor adventures. Just 10 minutes away is the new 1.1 million square foot Galleria Mall, and there are four nearby state of the art theater complexes. The campus itself is full of wide open park-like landscaping. The most striking feature of the campus is the abundant, beautiful trees that burst into bloom in the spring and provide colorful foliage in the fall.

Climate

The temperature remains moderate year round in Rocklin, but with four distinct seasons. Spring and Fall average in the low to mid 70s (20° Celsius), while Summer is warm with low humidity with several hot days; Winter days typically are in the low to mid 60s (15° Celsius).

Majors

Sierra College offers more than 80 degree and certificate programs. Some of our popular programs include Applied Art & Design, Biological Sciences, Business, Communication Studies, Computer Science, Electronics, Engineering, Liberal Arts, Management, Marketing, Nursing, and much more. Our experienced Transfer Center staff help students who wish to transfer to a four-year university. No matter what your interests are, chances are that Sierra College has the right program for you. Ask your Aspect representative to see a complete list of our majors.

Housing

Sierra College is one of a few Community Colleges that offer on-campus housing (dormitories). International students who apply early are guaranteed a room, and are assigned an American roommate. Students who prefer to live in the home of an American family can choose to be a part of our homestay program. Our housing department staff will help with all arrangements. Some students prefer to live independently or with other students in a rental apartment.

Sports

Sierra College has many intercollegiate sports teams, and several of our teams are known for their champion status. Some of our teams are baseball, basketball, swimming, tennis, track, soccer, football, and much more. For casual athletes, we offer interesting activities such as weight lifting, yoga, self-defense, physical conditioning, and many more.

Activities

At Sierra, there is life beyond the classroom. Our students have plenty of activities to choose from— they can serve on student government, join clubs or athletic teams, take fitness classes, enjoy field trips, and get on-campus jobs— the list goes on and on.

Transportation

There is local public bus service to and from campus. Many students live either on-campus or in nearby apartments within walking distance of the campus. Most students travel by car, and traffic here is much less congested than major metropolitan areas.

Special Feature

Sierra College is dedicated to serving the academic and cultural needs of our international students. Unlike some educational institutions, Sierra has an International Students Office with staff focused on meeting the needs of our international students. With a ratio of approximately one support staff to 30 students, our international students receive the help they need in order to succeed at Sierra College and at living in America.



Location: Rocklin, California

City Population: 39,000

Nearest Major City: Sacramento, California
(the state capitol)

Type of School: Public, 2-year community college

Degrees Offered: AA, AS, certificates, transfer opportunities

Enrollment: 24,000

International Enrollment: 170

TOEFL Requirement: 450/133 or ESL