

## ACADEMICS

We offer ESL certificate programs and four-year Bachelor's degrees in five different departments: Business, Science and Technology, Humanities, Fine Arts, and Teacher Education. The average class size for ESL is less than 10 students, and for standard degree classes, less than 25. Through these small classes and personal attention, we are able to ensure that our graduates are well prepared and have received the notice to make them succeed after graduation.



### **Business (B.S.B.A., B.A.)**

Accounting, Business Administration, Entrepreneurship, Finance & Economics, Global Business, International Studies, Management Studies, Marketing, Ski Business & Resort Management

### **Fine Arts (B.A., B.F.A.)**

Ceramics, Digital Art, New Genres, Photography, Two-Dimensional Practices, Three-Dimensional Practices

### **Humanities & Social Sciences (B.S., B.F.A.)**

Creative Writing, English, Humanities, Psychology, Interdisciplinary Studies: Sustainability, Photojournalism, Digital Arts & Entrepreneurship, Digital Arts & Management, Art & Psychology, Music & Psychology, Outdoor Adventure Leadership

### **Science & Technology (B.S.)**

Biology, Computer Science, Environmental Policy, Environmental Science & Ecology

### **Teacher Education (M.A.T., M.Ed.)**

Master of Arts in Teaching, Master of Education, Dual Degree program-earn your B.A. and M.A.T. in five years.

## QUICK FACTS

- 9:1** student-to-faculty ratio
- 85%** students receive scholarships or grants
- 25** students on average per class
- 54:46** male-to-female ratio
- 25** countries represented in the student body
- Very safe** campus in Incline Village
- 24/7** access to David Hall Fire Art studios
- 1st LEED**-certified Platinum green laboratory in Nevada
- \$56,000+** awarded to students entered in regional business plan competitions
- 23** United States Collegiate Ski & Snowboard Association National Titles
- 50km** to Reno-Tahoe International Airport

Average Climate  
Lake Tahoe's climate provides 300+ days of annual sunshine and is relatively mild with average daytime temperatures around 20°C in the summer and 4°C in the winter. In Addition, Lake Tahoe has 14 major summer and winter resorts that attract a number of people from all of the world and make it a very desirable destination to live and study.



# SIERRA NEVADA COLLEGE

L A K E T A H O E



## STUDY IN THE USA!

## ABOUT SIERRA NEVADA COLLEGE

## Chinese Alumni

SNC is a small private, four-year liberal arts college located on the north shore of beautiful Lake Tahoe. With an average class size of 15 students, we work one-on-one with all students to achieve academic excellence. Our professors are extremely dedicated to ensuring that every student succeeds, and students often receive one-on-one attention in both our ESL and standard programs. We offer a diverse campus comprised of students from over 30 different U.S. states and 25 different countries.

International students at SNC enjoy the opportunity of full immersion in the English language and American culture. The campus is located at about 2,000 meters elevation and within walking distance of Lake Tahoe. Incline Village provides an extremely safe secure setting for learning, exploration, and growth, and it is located in the heart of nature yet has close proximity to large metropolitan areas such as San Francisco, Sacramento, and Reno. Our students are fortunate to realize the opportunities found in the large cities near Lake Tahoe, but also study in a quiet setting and are better prepared to enter the workforce in these regional cities, and cities abroad.

### The Lake Tahoe Area

Lake Tahoe is one of the safest and cleanest areas in the world. It is also the #1 resort destination in the United States, and the #1 location for outdoor recreation, including snowboarding, skiing, hiking, camping, golf, and tennis. Each weekend, all students can participate in activities such as camping in Yosemite National Park, surfing in Santa Cruz, CA, trips to San Francisco, or even learn to snowboard at one of the 19 local ski resorts.

The SNC campus is state-of-the-art, with the fastest internet access available and a campus wide network, allowing students to work more closely and directly with other students and professors to achieve success. Also, students enjoy sharing a room with only one roommate and each room also has its own private bathroom for both students.

### Alumni Profile: Daniel Xu

Hometown: Beijing, China  
Area of Study: International Relations  
Current Occupation: Outreach Manager, Global Hope Network International  
Current Location: Versoix, Switzerland



"The tight-knit community at SNC made me realize the value of pulling together to make the impossible possible. I have taken that spirit of belonging with me throughout the world and am constantly amazed by the power it has to help impoverished communities become strong and

independent. My SNC experience gave me time to learn how high of a price people are willing to pay to make their dreams come true."

### Alumni Profile: Kapo Tang (Class of 2010)

Hometown: Hong Kong, China  
Area of Study: Business Management  
Current Location: Project Manager at *Autosound Electronic Limited-Hong Kong*

Kapo began her adventure at SNC in 2008, and never looked back. Originally from Hong Kong, Kapo wanted to study management in the US to further develop a strong sense of international business processes and prepare for her career. She enrolled in SNC's ESL program, and within a year her English was outstanding enough to pursue a full degree. Her degree prepared her enough to secure an upper-level management position with a large Hong Kong manufacturing firm, Autosound Electric-HK. In her current role, Kapo successfully manages projects within the company and directs teams of researchers and designers, and she also incorporates a number of tactics and methods she learned while studying at Sierra Nevada College.



### Professor Kendra Wong

Hometown: San Francisco, California  
Department: Finance and Accounting

Professor Wong's extensive experience, qualifications, and knowledge are the common traits of Sierra Nevada College professor—enabling graduates to be better prepared for their respective fields. After earning a degree in economics from the University of California, Davis, she secured a position at PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) in New York, one of the largest corporate accounting firms in the world. In addition to PwC, she has also had success in a number of other industries, including venture capital, medicine, and manufacturing.



### ESL Admissions Requirements

- Completed application with essay in English
- No TOEFL required, Admission based on SNC assessment
- Letter of recommendation in English
- Completed SNC International Student Form
- Bank statement showing proof of one year of tuition
- A transcript evaluation showing proof of U.S. high school diploma equivalency and Grade Point Average from one of the following companies:
  - <http://www.ierf.org/>
  - <http://www.aacrao.org/international/foreignEdCred.cfm>
  - <http://www.wes.org/>

### Standard Admissions Requirements

- Online Application
- Personal Statement in English
- Official results of English language test scores (TOEFL or IELTS)
- Letter of recommendation in English on school letterhead
- Bank statement showing proof of one year of tuition, room & board (minus any scholarships awarded)
- Completed SNC International Student Form by the family of financial sponsor
- An unofficial copy of high school transcript of grades
- An official transcript evaluation showing proof of U.S. high school diploma equivalency and cumulative Grade Point Average from one of the following companies: