

Come explore with us

WEST COAST COLLEGE TOUR CALIFORNIA – WASHINGTON STATE 15 day

Day One

Mid-day arrival at LAX. Meet your **local guide and deluxe motor coach.**

Transfer to your hotel in the suburbs of LA.

Hotel: Hampton Inn/ Holiday Inn Express or similar

Mid afternoon: Depart for the **Hollywood & Highland Center.**

The Hollywood & Highland Center, an entertainment, retail and hotel complex at Hollywood Boulevard and Highland Avenue in the Hollywood district in Los Angeles. The 387,000-square-foot center also includes the Grauman's Chinese Theatre and the Kodak Theatre, home to the Academy Awards, a popular spot to snap a photo.



Spend the rest of your afternoon and evening here. You will see the **Kodak Theatre Walk**, have a **guided tour Kodak Theatre** and see the **famous Hollywood Sign**. **The Hollywood Sign**, now recognized around the globe for its ties to the movie business, originally read "HOLLYWOODLAND" and was created in 1923 to advertise a new housing development in the hills above the Hollywood district of Los Angeles. It was never intended to be a permanent fixture on these hills, but after the rise of the American cinema in Los Angeles the sign became an internationally recognized symbol and landmark, and continues to make frequent appearances in

popular culture. The bridge on the 3rd and 4th levels of the Hollywood & Highland center offer visitors the city's best view of the Hollywood Sign and a great photo opportunity.



Kodak Theatre Walk serves as the entrance to the world-famous Kodak Theatre on the west side of Hollywood & Highland Center. Since opening in November 2001, the Kodak Theatre has been the permanent home of the Academy Awards®. Guests arrive by limousine on Hollywood Blvd. where a red carpet and velvet rope walkway awaits them. The walk up the red carpet on Oscar®'s night takes celebrities through Kodak Theatre Walk, an impressive art deco inspired walkway with golden framed crystal plaques commemorating each of the Academy's Best Picture winners since 1929.



When you visit Hollywood & Highland Center, you can you imagine the feel of red carpet beneath your feet as you stroll the same path that the stars take on Oscar® night .

Kodak Theatre Tour - The 3,332 seat Kodak Theatre, located in the heart of the Hollywood & Highland Center, opened in November 2001 and soon thereafter became known to more than one billion people across the globe as the first permanent home of the glamorous Academy Awards®. As a first class live entertainment venue, Kodak Theatre has hosted a wide range of prestigious artists and events including Celine Dion, Prince, Elvis Costello, Stevie Wonder, American Ballet Theatre and various touring Broadway productions.



A 30-minute guided theatre tours offers visitors highlights of the world-renowned venue, starting with the five-level theatre lobby and grand spiral staircase as well as a glimpse of Hollywood's biggest night – the Oscars®.

6:00 PM Dinner included at **California Kitchen Pizza** in the Hollywood & Highland Center.
9:00 PM Return to your hotel for the evening.
10:00 PM Private security on duty until 5:00 AM



Day Two

8:00 AM Breakfast included at your hotel.

9:00 AM Enjoy the entire day at **DISNEYLAND PARK**, the place where imagination is the destination. For young and old, big and small — it's the happiest place on earth! Come build memories that last a lifetime as you discover the wonder of this magical, fantastical world. When you enter one of the Lands that comprise Disneyland Park, stories come to life around you, immersing you in tales from some of your favorite Disney films...



*** **Main Street, U.S.A.** is the entrance to Disneyland Park. Stroll down the street where turn-of-the-century architecture and transportation recreate a bygone era. Be sure to board a vintage vehicle for a ride back in time and then marvel at The Disneyland Story presenting Great Moments with Mr. Lincoln. Before you leave, don't forget to visit the Emporium, an old-time Victorian general store filled with all kinds of Disney memorabilia.

*** **Fantasyland** - Located beyond Sleeping Beauty Castle, Fantasyland is where you can meet the heroes and villains of your favorite Disney stories. Encounter princesses from the royal realms of Disney films such as Snow White, Sleeping Beauty and Cinderella. Step into their enchanting stories about the triumph of true love. Sing along with a classic song and sail past the pageantry of "it's a small world". Take a spin in a tea cup or fly over London with Peter Pan. Revel in the enchantment that surrounds you!



*** **Tomorrowland** - Ready your rockets as you blast into the twin orbits of innovation and exploration at Tomorrowland! Rocket into the outer reaches of darkest space on Space Mountain and battle galactic bad guys in Buzz Lightyear Astro Blasters. To infinity and beyond!

*** **New Orleans Square** - Welcome to the French Quarter of New Orleans Square where you can celebrate Mardi Gras all year round. Pay your respects to the 999 ghostly residents of the Haunted Mansion and then join the Pirates of the Caribbean on a bayou bateau for a swashbuckling voyage! Raise a mint julep to this land of buried treasure and supernatural secrets, parasols and pirate curses. It's home to swashbucklers and haunts alike!

*** **Adventureland** - Chart a course for Adventureland and embark on a bold expedition into excitement and intrigue! Enter a lost temple on Indiana Jones Adventure and delve into dark jungles on The Jungle Cruise. Join your fellow explorers as you boldly seek mystery and imagination.

*** **Critter Country** - Come play in the deep backwoods of Critter Country. Hear the rumble of railroads and waterfalls, not to mention a chorus of critters singin' "Zip-a-Dee-Do-Dah" at Splash Mountain. See one of the most beloved critters when you journey through the Hundred Acre Wood on The Many Adventures of Winnie the Pooh. It's a hunny of a place to play!

*** **Mickey's Toontown** is a miniature interactive metropolis full of topsy turvy architecture and screwy sculptures. For the ultimate taste of Toon mania, hail a wacky taxi for the ride of your life on Roger Rabbit's Car Toon Spin or brave Gadget's Go Coaster. Or visit the charming houses of Mickey, Minnie and other classic Disney characters. It's where some of your favorite Toons call home.

*** **Frontierland** celebrates the trailblazers, settlers and other heroes of the Old West. For big adventure, rumble over the mountain on a runaway railroad car when you ride Big Thunder Mountain Railroad. And there's a mighty fine show at the Golden Horseshoe Stage. From the Pirate's Lair on Tom Sawyer Island to the rippling waters of the Rivers of America, it's a pioneer's paradise.

8:00 PM Lunch on own at the Disneyland Park and **dinner included by meal voucher at park.**
 10:00 PM Return to your hotel for the evening.
 Private security on duty until 5:00 AM

Day Three

7:30 AM Breakfast included at your hotel
 8:30 AM Depart for Long Beach, CA – 35 minutes / 26 miles.
 10:00 AM Morning visit to **California State University, Long Beach.**



California State University Long Beach is a diverse, student-centered, globally-engaged public university committed to providing highly-valued undergraduate and graduate educational opportunities through superior teaching, research, creative activity and service for the people of California and the world. California State University values Excellence, Diversity,

Integrity and Service to others – come and see what we have to offer.
 12:00 PM Depart for Los Angeles – 32 minutes / 25 miles
 1:00 PM Lunch on own (student expense) on campus upon arrival at UCLA
 2:00 PM Afternoon visit to **UCLA – University of California, Los Angeles.**



The University of California, Los Angeles (generally known as UCLA) is a public research university located in the Westwood neighborhood of Los Angeles, California, in the United States. It was founded in 1919 and is the second oldest of the ten major campuses affiliated with the University of California system. UCLA offers over 300 undergraduate and graduate degree programs in a wide range of disciplines and enrolls about 26,000 undergraduate and about 11,000 graduate students from the United States and around the world every year. It is the only leading research institution in the world founded in the 20th century. UCLA is organized into five undergraduate colleges, seven professional schools, and five professional Health Science schools.

5:00 PM **Included dinner and free time at the Santa Monica Pier**
 The world-famous Santa Monica Pier offers a variety of entertainment and shopping including Pacific Park amusement park; Heal The Bay Aquarium; a historic 1922 Merry-Go-Round (Carousel) plus specialty shops/carts, eateries, an old-fashioned soda fountain, and full-service restaurants.
 8:00 PM Return to your hotel for the evening.
 10:00 PM Private security on duty until 5:00 AM



Day Four

8:00 AM Breakfast included at your hotel.
 10:00 AM Morning visit to **USC – University of Southern California.**

The University of Southern California (commonly referred to as USC) is a private, nonsectarian, research university located in the University Park neighborhood in Los Angeles, CA. USC was founded in 1880, making it California's oldest private research university. The university enrolled 16,384 undergraduate and 17,024 graduate students and awarded 4,676 bachelor's and 5,380 advanced degrees in 2007. USC's four year, full-time undergraduate program is classified as "more selective, higher transfer-in" with 95 undergraduate majors and 147 academic and professional minors are offered. The graduate program is classified as "comprehensive" and offers 134 master's, doctoral, and professional degrees through 17 professional schools.



12:00 PM

Lunch on own on campus (student expense)

1:00 PM

Depart for Santa Barbara – 1.45 hrs / 96 miles.

Quick lunch stop on route (student expense)

3:00 PM

Afternoon visit to **University of California, Santa Barbara.**

Known as one of the country’s “hottest” colleges, The University of California, Santa Barbara is a leading research institution that also provides a comprehensive liberal arts learning experience. Because teaching and research go hand in hand at UC Santa Barbara, our students are full participants in an educational journey of discovery that stimulates independent thought, critical reasoning, and creativity. Our academic community of faculty, students, and staff is characterized by a culture of interdisciplinary collaboration that is responsive to the needs of our multicultural and global society.

4:00 PM

Depart for the **Paseo Nuevo Mall**, a beautiful and modern mall in the famous State Street shopping district. Free time for shopping and exploring. **Dinner will be included by stipend.**

7:30 PM

Hotel: Hampton Inn, Holiday Inn Express or similar in the Goleta/Santa Barbara area.

10:00 PM

Private security on duty until 5:00 AM



Day Five

6:30 AM

Breakfast included at your hotel, prior to check out.

7:30 AM

Depart for San Luis Obispo – 1.45 hrs / 108 miles.

10:00 AM

Morning visit to **Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.**



Cal Poly is a nationally ranked, four-year, comprehensive public university located in San Luis Obispo, halfway between San Francisco and Los Angeles on California’s Central Coast. It is a distinctive learning community offering academically focused students a hands-on educational experience that prepares them for today’s scientific

and technical world.

12:00 PM

Lunch on own on campus (student expense)

1:00 PM

Depart for Santa Cruz – 2.45 hrs / 164 miles.

4:00 PM

Approximate arrival in Santa Cruz at the **Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk.**

Free time and **dinner included by stipend.**

7:30 PM

Hotel: Hampton Inn, Holiday Inn Express or similar in Santa Cruz.

10:00 PM

Private security on duty until 5:00 AM.



Day Six

7:30 AM

Breakfast included at your hotel, prior to check out.

10:00 AM

Morning visit to **University of California, Santa Cruz.**



Part of the mission of The University of California, Santa Cruz is a commitment to promoting and protecting an environment that values and supports every person in an atmosphere of civility, honesty, cooperation, professionalism and fairness. They are a participatory community united by shared commitments to: service to society; preservation and advancement of knowledge; and innovative teaching and learning. The University of California, Santa Cruz, opened in 1965 and grew, one college at a time, to its current (2007-08) enrollment of more than 15,000 students. Undergraduates pursue 63 majors supervised by divisional deans of humanities, physical & biological sciences, social sciences, and arts. Graduate students work toward graduate certificates, master’s degrees, or doctoral degrees in 34 academic fields under the supervision of the divisional and graduate deans.

12:00 PM
1:00 PM
3:00 PM

Lunch on own on campus (student expense)
Depart for San Francisco – 1.30 hrs / 74 miles.
Arrival in San Francisco.

Admission included to the **California Academy of Sciences.**

The California Academy of Sciences is a world-class scientific and cultural institution based in San Francisco. The Academy recently opened a new facility in Golden Gate Park, a 400,000 square foot structure that houses an aquarium, a planetarium a natural history museum and a 4-story rainforest all under one roof. The new facility is also home to the Academy's staff of world-class scientists, an education department that provides a wide range of student and teacher services, and an extensive science library with over 26 million specimens and artifacts.



5:30 PM

Dinner included at **Bubba Gump Restaurant** at Pier 39 with some free time afterwards.



PIER 39, San Francisco's Premier Bay Attraction, is a festive shopping mecca featuring 110 specialty shops and 12 full-service restaurants serving seafood, California cuisine, and casual fare with beautiful Bay views. At PIER 39 the picturesque scenery captures Alcatraz, the Golden Gate and Bay Bridges, Fisherman's Wharf and city skyline. PIER 39's two-level design with lush landscaping is a must-see on San Francisco's historic waterfront. There's a multitude of fun for everyone with attractions and live entertainment to amuse all ages.

8:00 PM
10:00 PM

Hotel: Hampton Inn, Holiday Inn Express or similar in San Francisco
Private security on duty until 5:00 AM.

Day Seven

7:30 AM
8:30 AM
10:00 AM

Breakfast included at your hotel.
Depart for Stanford
Morning visit to **Stanford University.**

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In recent years, Stanford has launched a university-wide initiative on human health, the environment and sustainability, international affairs and the arts. They believe that collaboration across disciplines will be the key to future advances, and multidisciplinary research and teaching are at the heart of these new initiatives. Their undergraduate students are an important part of these efforts. Over the past decade, innovations in undergraduate education at Stanford include opportunities for students to work with faculty in small classes from their first days on campus. In this community of scholars, there is no greater thrill than being at the edge of a field and advancing the frontier of knowledge, and we offer undergraduates numerous opportunities to

work closely with faculty and researchers.

3:00 PM

Visit to **University of California, Berkeley.**

Founded in the wake of the gold rush by leaders of the newly established 31st state, the University of California's flagship campus at Berkeley has become one of the preeminent universities in the world. Its early guiding lights, charged with providing education (both "practical" and "classical") for the state's people, gradually established a distinguished faculty (with 20 Nobel laureates to date), a stellar research library, and more than 350 academic programs.



5:00 PM
10:00 PM

Included dinner and night at the movies.
Private security on duty until 5:00 AM.

Day Eight

8:30 AM Breakfast included at your hotel.

9:30 AM Today, let's explore the beautiful city of San Francisco. Board one of the world famous trolleys and listen to expert narration as you ride through San Francisco's most scenic neighborhoods - Fisherman's Wharf, North Beach, Nob Hill, Downtown, Chinatown & along the waterfront. Other highlights of our San Francisco Trolley Hop tour include stops at Union Square, PIER 41 at Fisherman's Wharf, The Ferry Building & North Beach/Chinatown!



Then, visit the **Golden Gate Bridge**. The famous Golden Gate Bridge is a unique experience for everyone. You can walk the 1.7 mile long Bridge, shop or take a walk through the renovated garden area on the southeast side of the Bridge.

5:30 PM Dinner included at the **Rain Forest Café**. Thunder, lightening, tiki birds, monkeys and elephants surround you as you enjoy a fun dinner.



7:30 PM Visit to **Ripley's Believe It or Not** - The odd, the unusual, the bizarre!

9:00 PM Return to hotel.

10:00 PM Private security on duty until 5:00 AM.

Day Nine

8:00 AM Breakfast included at your hotel, prior to check out.

9:00 AM Board your coach as we travel to Oregon.

Lunch stop will be made near beautiful Mt. Shasta

The City of Mt. Shasta, nestled at the foot of imposing 14,162-foot Mount Shasta (4,317 m), is surrounded by natural beauty and offers many year-round outdoor activities. The mountain is the second highest volcano in the continental United States and has been a prominent landmark along the historic Siskiyou Trail — the track of an ancient trade and travel route of Native American footpaths between California's Central Valley and the Pacific Northwest. Today's version of the Siskiyou Trail is Interstate 5, which provides easy access to the City of Mt. Shasta, located midway between San Francisco and Portland, Oregon.



6:00 PM Arrival at your overnight destination: Eugene, Oregon

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express

Included dinner and time to use the indoor pool at hotel

10:00 PM Private security on duty until 5:00 AM.

Day Ten

Breakfast included at your hotel.

Travel to Portland, OR where you will visit the **University of Portland**. As of the 2011-12 academic year, some 3,800 University of Portland students and approximately 320 faculty members are engaged in teaching and research on the campus founded in 1901 and once on the edge of the American wilderness. The University has been ranked 17 years consecutively in the top ten for western regional universities by U.S. News & World Report, and in Barron's Best Buys as one of the best teaching universities in the West.



It also has been ranked by Bloomberg BusinessWeek as the best return on investment for any university in Oregon and for five consecutive years has been on the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll. In 2011, the University of Portland was named the top producer of Fulbright scholars in the nation among "master's universities" for the second consecutive year, according to the Chronicle of Higher Education. The University had 10 alumni win the prestigious grants to work and study abroad for 2011-12. This was the second top national ranking the University received in as many months – Washington Monthly ranked the University number one nationally among peer institutions for its commitment to community service.

Lunch on campus before crossing in the state of Washington and our overnight in Seattle

Hotel: Courtyard, Seattle Downtown

Evening: **Included dinner** and a visit to the **Observation Deck of the Space Needle**.

The Space Needle is a tower in Seattle, Washington and is a major landmark of the Pacific Northwest region of the United States and a symbol of Seattle. Located at the Seattle Center, it was built for the 1962 World's Fair, during which time nearly 20,000 people a day used the elevators, with over 2.3 million visitors in all for the World Fair. The Space Needle is 605 feet (184 m) high at its highest point and 138 feet (42 m) wide at its widest point and weighs 9,550 tons. When it was completed it was the tallest structure west of the Mississippi River. It is built to withstand winds of up to 200 miles per hour (89 m/s) and earthquakes of up to 9.1 magnitude, which would protect the structure against an earthquake as powerful as the 1700 Cascadia earthquake. The tower also has 25 lightning rods on its roof to prevent lightning damage.



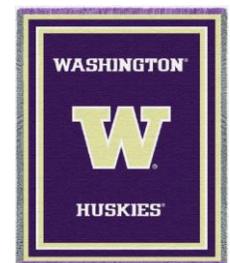
The Space Needle features an observation deck at 520 feet (160 m), and a gift shop with the rotating SkyCity restaurant at 500 feet (150 m). From the top of the Needle, one can see not only the Downtown Seattle skyline, but also the Olympic and Cascade Mountains, Mount Rainier, Mount Baker, Elliott Bay and surrounding islands. Photographs of the Seattle skyline often show the Space Needle in a prominent position, even appearing to tower above the rest of the city's skyscrapers, as well as Mount Rainier in the background. This occurs because the tower, which is equivalent in height to a 60-story building, stands more than a kilometer northwest of most downtown skyscrapers

10:00 PM Private security on duty until 5:00 AM.

Day Eleven

Breakfast included at your hotel.

This morning visit the **University of Washington**. We think differently around here. And just as importantly, we act differently, too. It's in our DNA, not just at the University of Washington but throughout the Northwest, to reach a little higher. Dig deeper. To keep searching for better ways to learn, live and work. And for better answers to the world's most pressing challenges. The spirit of discovery that embraces us from every mountaintop, treetop and desktop inspires us to achieve great things. The place we call home inspires us to discover what's next.



Enjoy lunch at **Pike Place Market**.....the oldest continually operating farmers' market in the United States. Founded in 1907, Seattle's downtown public market offers fresh produce, unique foods and handmade arts and crafts, overlooking the Elliott Bay waterfront. Watch the market fishmongers toss around salmon, visit the first Starbucks Coffee Shop, enjoy the music and antics of talented street performers, and soak in the unique ambiance of Seattle's most popular attraction. This nine-acre historic district hosts over 10 million visitors each year.

Farewell activity uniquely Washington State.....

Late afternoon visit: **Tillicum Village**. Your 4-hour adventure begins with an Argosy cruise on Puget Sound to Blake Island. On the island, you will enjoy an appetizer of clams and nectar and will enter the longhouse for a buffet meal including salmon baked on cedar stakes in the traditional Northwest Coast Indian style. As you finish your meal, the lights dim for an enchanting show performed in the spirit of Northwest Coast Indians. With authentic art and totems, Native dance and storytelling, and a historic setting, your students will discover, explore and experience history as it comes alive!



Return to your hotel after a fabulous evening

10:00 PM Private security on duty until 5:00 AM.

Day Twelve

Breakfast included at your hotel.

7:00 AM Board coach and travel to Pullman, Washington. (286 miles)
Lunch stop will be made on the way.

3:00 PM Afternoon visit to **Washington State University / Pullman**.

WSU students actively engage in issues to create positive change. They make their mark through civic engagement, or through involvement in more than 300 student clubs and organizations, student government, and multicultural student centers. Many students help others succeed by serving as a mentor or peer tutor in writing, engineering, or other subjects. A place to call home, A great neighborhood, WSU Pullman is called a "residential campus" because it's home for thousands of students from 50 states and nearly 85 countries. Single freshmen under 20 spend their first year living in a campus residence hall or University-recognized fraternity or sorority. In residence halls, living-learning communities keep freshmen focused; they're proven to help students earn higher grades.



The University offers nice, quiet apartments just for students with families and graduate students. Many students, as well as University faculty and staff, make their homes off campus in the beautiful, tree-lined neighborhoods of Pullman, as well as in surrounding communities.

5:00 PM Included dinner and check into your hotel

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express (or similar)

10:00 PM Private security on duty until 5:00 AM.

Day Thirteen

Breakfast included at your hotel.

Morning board coach and travel to Spokane, WA

For a spectacular view of **Spokane Falls**, ride the new **SkyRide**. Enjoy a 15 minute ride in an "all weather" enclosed cabin. Each of the 15 cabins is ADA compliant and can hold 6 passengers.

You will travel past art deco City Hall, then gradually drop down 200 feet over the Huntington Park Natural Area. From there, you will continue across the Spokane River, under the historic Monroe Street bridge and return to **Riverfront Park**. Bring your camera and capture some memorable photos. The cabin windows open for clear shots. Sometimes, you can even catch a rainbow.



Enjoy lunch on your own in Riverfront Park before boarding the coach to return to Seattle

2:30 PM Board coach
Dinner stop will be made on the way.
Hotel: Holiday Inn Express or similar
10:00 PM Private security on duty until 5:00 AM.

Day Fifteen

Breakfast included before departing your hotel for the Seattle International Airport (SEA)
Flights: TBD

Tour Includes:

All ground transportation via deluxe motor coach
13 nights hotel, taxes and private security
Security: 1 guard at the 20 and 30 scale/ 2 guards at the 40 and 50 scale
13 Breakfasts
13 Dinners
All admissions as listed above
Coordination of College visits
Services of a Tour Manager throughout

Note: At times Restaurant menus may change at the discretion of the Restaurant Management. These circumstances are beyond our control.

ALL TOURS AND RESERVATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY BASED UPON TIME OF BOOKING.