



EducationUSA Canada Spotlights

California State University, Monterey Bay

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Founded in 1994, California State University, Monterey Bay (CSUMB) is one of the 23 campuses of the California State University system. It is centrally located on California's coastline, just hours away from San Francisco, Silicon Valley, Yosemite National Park, and Los Angeles. Monterey Bay is one of the largest marine protected areas in the world and home to whales, deep sea anglerfish, and of course the university's mascot, sea otters.



The close proximity from the ocean gives students the opportunity to receive hands on lab and field experience by researching deep sea life and environmental issues. The prime location gives students access to the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, Big Sur mountains and coastline, Elkhorn Slough National Estuarine Reserve, and Salinas Valley agriculture, the “salad bowl of the world”. Not only is CSUMB in a biologically-rich destination, it is also near Silicon Valley, where students can collaborate with pioneering tech companies.





Monterey is one of the top tourist destinations in California, making the [Sustainable Hospitality Management program](#) another ideal course with community connections to industry leaders like the Pebble Beach Company and the InterContinental Hotels. CSUMB strives to be [sustainable](#) across campus from academic courses, and buildings to landfill diversion. CSUMB defines sustainability as “the simultaneous pursuit of human health and happiness, environmental quality, and economic well-being for current and future generations.”

CSUMB provides more than 7,500 students extraordinary [student life opportunities](#). The diverse student population receives personal attention with small class sizes and enthusiastic professors. CSUMB is committed to multiculturalism and equal opportunity, while offering reasonable admission requirements at an attractive tuition.



Six colleges oversee CSUMB's [academic operations](#), offering 25 undergraduate degrees, 7 graduate degrees, and over 30 concentrations and minor degrees, and teacher certification options.

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