



**A.C.E. Language Institutes**

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# Welcome to Bozeman!



## Pre-Arrival Guide

留学生活成功的第一步 | 留学生活成功への第一歩

**O primeiro passo para uma experiência bem sucedida no**

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**La première étape vers un séjour réussi à l'étranger**

**국제 학생들의 성공적인 유학 생활을 위한 첫 걸음**

**El primer paso para una experiencia exitosa  
para los estudiantes internacionales**

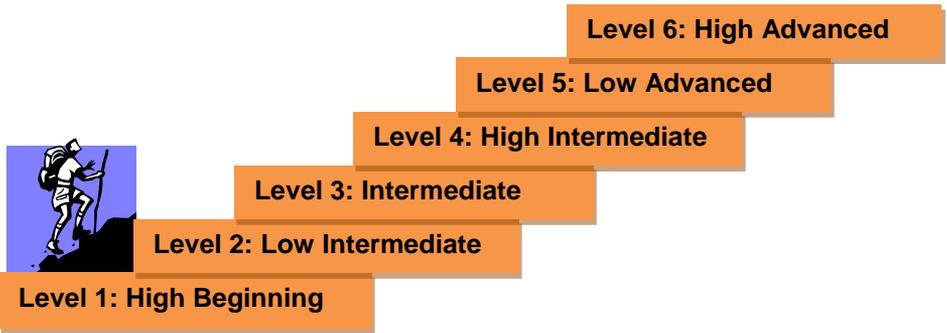
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## Things to Know about A.C.E.

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### Our Levels

A.C.E. has a 6-level curriculum. On your first day you will take a test that will place you in one of these 6 levels. Once you pass that level, you step up to the next level.



### Our Sessions

A.C.E. operates on a session schedule. During the academic year (August-May), sessions are 7.5 weeks. During the summer (May-August) we offer intensive, 6-week sessions. It normally takes 1 session to complete a level.

### Our Program

#### Core Classes:

##### Levels 1-3:

*Reading, Listening & Speaking, Writing & Grammar, Vocabulary* (21 hours/week)

##### Levels 4-5:

*Reading, Listening & Speaking, Writing, Grammar, Vocabulary* (21 hours/week)

##### Level 6:

*University Practicum, Advanced Academic Speaking, Advanced Academic Writing, Advanced Grammar* (21 hours/week)

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## Things to Know about MSU

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### Montana State University

Montana State University ranks in the top tier of all research universities in the U.S. It is one of only 108 institutions - out of 4,600 - designated as "very high research activity" by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of teaching. This means that MSU is among the top 2% of institutions nationwide in research. MSU is well known for the sciences, engineering, nursing, film, and business programs. MSU offers 100 undergraduate degrees, 50 master's degree programs, and 27 doctoral degree programs.



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## Preparing for Bozeman

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### Preparing your bags

You should bring multiple layers of clothing and a warm jacket if you are coming in fall or winter.

Carry a small amount of money in US dollars for emergencies.

### Preparing for Customs

Carry your original **I-20**, **welcome letter**, and **passport** with you. Please do not put them in your checked baggage. **Please keep a copy of your I-20 and passport in your checked baggage.**



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## Weather in Bozeman

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Summers are pleasant, characterized by warm days and cool nights. Cold winter weather is normal, and a week or more of consistently cold weather is common. There is a lot of sunshine and not much rain.

	Low	High
December – March	-10°F / -25°C	41°F / 5°C
April – May	30°F / -1°C	63°F / 17°C
June – August	46°F / 8°C	82°F / 28°C
September - November	22°F / -6°C	70°F / 21°C

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## Transportation in Bozeman

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### From the Airport to Bozeman

Please e-mail A.C.E. your flight arrival information and someone will be able to pick you up.

### Getting Around in Bozeman

#### By Foot

MSU is located near downtown Bozeman making it easy to walk around the city.

**Downtown  
Bozeman Map:**

<http://www.downtownbozeman.org/area-info.html>

#### By Bus

Bozeman has a public bus system called The Streamline, which operates four routes covering most of the area. The bus is **free of charge** for passengers.

**Streamline Bus:**

<http://www.streamlinebus.com/>



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## Housing Options

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### MSU Dorms

Montana State University provides a number of different housing options on campus for A.C.E. students. The housing includes either a 5 or 7 day meal plan that offers all you can eat, cafeteria style, dining. Housing options available include:

- All-Female Dorms
- Co-ed Floors
- Singles
- Suites
- Twenty-One & Older Housing
- Married Student Housing

**MSU Residence Life:** <http://www.montana.edu/reslife/>



## Private Residence or Apartment

Students are welcome to make their own housing arrangements independently. You might stay with friends or family in Bozeman or choose to live in a private apartment off-campus. A.C.E. can refer you to resources for apartments, but you would be responsible for any private arrangements for leases, deposits, etc. Review these resources about apartments:

### **Rental Agencies**

The following private agencies can help you find an apartment or house in the Bozeman area.

#### **Witt & Associates Realty**

1516 W Babcock St, Ste 1

Bozeman, MT 59715

(406) 586-4933

[www.wittandassociatesrealty.com](http://www.wittandassociatesrealty.com)

#### **Aspen Properties**

720 West Babcock

Bozeman, MT 59715

(406) 587-3261

[www.aspenpropertiesbozeman.com](http://www.aspenpropertiesbozeman.com)

### **Internet Resources**

You can review these websites for available apartments. You would be responsible for contacting the appropriate person about the apartment:

[craigslist.org](http://craigslist.org)

[rent.com](http://rent.com)

[apartments.com](http://apartments.com)

[move.com](http://move.com)

[roomster.com](http://roomster.com)

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## Things to Do After You Arrive

### In Bozeman

**Explore Downtown!** Bozeman is a clean, well-kept city with many specialty stores. You will find plenty to do as Bozeman features many galleries, museums, restaurants. The downtown shopping district is within walking distance from the MSU campus.



**Attend a Local Event or Festival** such as the Sweet Pea Festival, Christmas Stroll, Winter Fair or the MSU Indian Pow Wow. Learn about local culture and customs and have fun in the process!

**The Museum of the Rockies** gives you the chance to explore over 500,000,000 years of history. This museum is highly regarded and features many exhibits from Native American artifacts to dinosaur bones.



### Beyond Bozeman



**Outdoor Activities:** Montana is an outdoor enthusiast's paradise! In the summer, there is biking, hiking, rafting, and fishing. In the winter, there is world-class skiing, snowboarding, ice-skating, and snowshoeing.

**Yellowstone National Park** is just 90 minutes away from Bozeman. Don't miss your chance to see natural hot springs, geysers, and terrific wildlife like grizzly bears, wolves, bison, and elk. There are many tours available June through September.

