

Thanksgiving Program at St. Cloud State University



Consider this opportunity to share your Thanksgiving holiday traditions with SCSU international students and scholars! More than 1200 international students/scholars come to St. Cloud State University from more than 90 countries. National statistics suggest that only 25% of these students will ever be in an American home during their time of study in the United States. By extending your hand of friendship to one or more international students or scholars this year, you can change that!

Whether your Thanksgiving tradition includes a feast with extended family and friends or you celebrate it as a quiet day alone, sharing this day helps international students and scholars understand how Americans give thanks on this traditional cultural holiday, while allowing you the opportunity to meet new people and learn new things as well! No special arrangements are required to make the day special. Set a few extra places at the table and invite students and scholars to help prepare the food, participate in your family's traditions, and get to know the meaning behind this unique North American holiday.

To sign up for the Thanksgiving Program, please submit an application to:

**Center for International Studies
Lawrence Hall 101
720 4th Ave. South
St. Cloud, MN 56301**

You will be contacted regarding placement. Hosts are also asked to provide transportation, whenever possible. Thank you for considering this request for hospitality. For more information about other ways to get involved with the international community at St. Cloud State University, contact:

Center for International Studies
cisga2@stcloudstate.edu
320-308-4287

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Thanksgiving Program Host Application

****Application Deadline: November 16th****

Host Information:

I am applying as a: _____ Community member/family _____ SCSU Faculty/Staff
Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
SCSU ID#(if applicable): _____ Gender: Male _____ Female: _____ Other: _____
Phone (home): _____ Phone (cell): _____
Email address: _____
Preferred Method of Communication: _____ Phone (home) _____ Phone (cell) _____ Email
Address: _____

Dependent (spouse/children) Information:

Do you have any dependents who wish to join you in your participation in this program? Yes _____ No _____
Spouse/Partner's Name: _____
Child/children's names/ages: _____

Hobbies/Interests/Skills:

Have you travelled/lived abroad (explain)? _____

What languages do you speak? _____
Do you have any dietary preferences/restrictions/allergies? _____

Do you have any pets (type, indoor/outdoor, how many)? _____
List your interests, hobbies, goals, travel experience, etc. (this information will help in matching you, so please be specific): _____

What would you like to gain from your participation in this program? _____

Student/Scholar preference (to be matched with): *select all that apply*

Type: _____ Undergraduate _____ Graduate _____ Doctoral _____ Visiting Scholar
Gender: Male _____ Female _____ No preference _____ Pets: Yes _____ No _____ No preference _____
Have dependents (spouse/children): Yes _____ No _____ No preference _____
What is the total number of individuals you would like to be matched with? _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____