

# TASTE OF AMERICA



The **Taste of America Program** at UC Irvine provides the opportunity for cross-cultural exchange between local residents, alumni, and international graduate students over dinner. Taste of America matches small groups of international graduate students (2-5 per group) with hosts for dinner in the month of November.

In many countries, sharing a meal is a place of community. It is a place to have a conversation, get to know someone, and gain new perspectives. The goal of Taste of America is to help international graduate student connect with the local community and to assist with their cultural adjustment.

## STUDENTS

International graduate students can expand their local networks and can learn about American customs and traditions.

International graduate students who would like to participate should email [gradinterconnect@rgs.uci.edu](mailto:gradinterconnect@rgs.uci.edu) for a student application.

## HOSTS

Hosts can share their American way of living with international graduate students and can expose family and friends to diverse cultures. Dinners can be hosted during the week or during Thanksgiving.

Interested in hosting a small group of international graduate students? Email [gradinterconnect@rgs.uci.edu](mailto:gradinterconnect@rgs.uci.edu) for details and a host application.

All interested international graduate students should complete their application no later than **Friday, October 14**. Applications will be reviewed for the purpose of matching students with hosts.



Questions? Email Gabriella Pham, International Support Officer, at [gradinterconnect@rgs.edu](mailto:gradinterconnect@rgs.edu)