# University Performance Program Go **Beyond** the Basics.



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As an **International Student** seeking an **elite education** in America, you could be:

An **adventurer** A **problem solver** A **cultural ambassador** A **difference maker** 

Maximize Your Study Abroad Experience.





With an **exclusive network** of coaches helping to **curate your campus experience**, **UPP** enables you to:



Navigate cultural & language barriers



Achieve personal & academic goals



**Gain** confidence & independence



Experience overall wellbeing

# WHAT IS UPP?

We challenge, so you can overcome. We inspire, so you can succeed.

#### Individual Coaches. Maximum Success.



#### 30+ hours

of 1-on-1 coaching sessions takes support beyond basic campus services and provides a safe space for inquiry, dialogue and reflection



#### 200+ hours

of high-impact experiences allow for deeper study and new layers of interaction and communication



## 9 critical skills

support academic and social

**integration** and help students achieve more



#### UPP Plus +

offers continued coaching, graduate application, and career support

Turn your **study abroad journey** into a **transformative experience**.

## UPP is for Students who:

- ✓ Want a high GPA
- ✓ Seek an easy transition
- $\checkmark\,$  Want the most from their  $\rm US$ 
  - experience
- ✓ Seek new adventures
- ✓ Want valuable internships
- ✓ Want a variety of friends
- ✓ Want maximum success

"With UPP's help, I don't feel like anything can stop me from moving forward. I am really thankful to all the teachers at UPP for making my transition to the United States safe and comfortable." -Xuyang He (Eric)



# HOW WE HELP

We go beyond, so you can discover. We introduce, so you can connect.

From **pre-arrival to first year and beyond**, UPP creates multiple dimensions of personal learning **to reach your full potential**.





## **OUR APPROACH**

We orient, so you can explore. We encourage, so you can thrive.

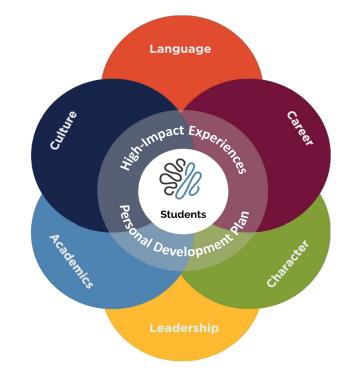
## Dedicated coaches centered around student success.

Our approach places coaches at the intersection of high-impact experiences and personal student development allowing students to create meaning from their college experiences and reflections.

#### A UPP coach is:

An Academic Coach A Trusted Friend A Trouble Shooter A University Navigator A Language Resource A Cultural Mediator Your Guide to the US

### Holistic Personal Development Plans





The advising part is the most fantastic and helpful part of the UPP program which helped me survive and gradually get used to my new life. Mina [my UPP Coach] helped me become a more confident person. - Mozhi Shen (Will)



# ABOUT OUR COACHES

We are **advisers.** We are **teachers**, expanding the classroom, cultivating global talent.





Our **multicultural coaches blend global perspectives** to develop experiences and content that meet international student needs while pushing them to reach their full potential.

Like our students, **each of our coaches has a unique story and skill-set** that has helped forge their paths.

Our coaches are experienced professionals that embody the mission of inspiring and cultivating talent. Their broad international experience and expertise in top-tier higher education, empower impactful programs designed for student success.









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# ABOUT

## **Together**, let's reimagine the International Student **Experience**.

8 east coast University partnerships
Recruitment network of 2000+ counselors
120+ experiential learning modules
1000+ program graduates
Fully Accredited



Overall, the experience of coming to the United States from China has been transformative for me. It has challenged me in many ways, but has also given me opportunities to advance and improve myself. - Ruhua Li (Frida) At New Mind, we turn the study abroad journey into a transformative experience for both the students and their host university.

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#### Our high-impact, holistic programs bolster authentic engagement and foster intercultural connections among the international student population



**Our programs are custom fit** for the university, student cohort, age group, and student needs



We empower students to successfully navigate the cultural and academic transition to the American higher education system

97%

Agree our program helped them achieve academically.



Agree our coaches taught them the value of trying new, challenging things. 94%

Agree our coaches increased their confidence to communicate with Americans. 91%

Agree our programs better integrated them into the campus and community

# **GO BEYOND THE** BASICS



## You've Got Challenges...

- What to Expect at the Airport
- How to Get Around Town
- Where to Buy Things for My Dorm
- How to Eat Healthy
- How to Make Friends
- Where to Have Fun
- How to Live independently



#### Cultural **Adjustment**

Academic

Performance

- How to Build Good Relationships with Professors
- How to Manage My Workload
- How to Manage Large Reading Requirements
- How to Write Good Papers
- How to Understand Others

How to Identify Key Skills

How to Balance My Life

How to Have Fun

How to Showcase My Talents

How to Search for Internships

How to Build Relationships with

Where to Find Help & Support

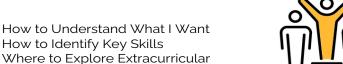
How to Manage My Stress

Where to Find People who Care

Activities

**Employers** 

How to Make Yourself Understood



Personal Development



**Overall** Wellbeing

## **UPP** can **Help!**

- Arriving at the Airport
- **Exploring Transportation Options**
- Staying Safe on Campus
- Setting Up Your Dormitory
- Shopping for Food & Eating at Restaurants
- Understanding Health Care & Insurance
- Using University Email & Learning Management Systems
- Exploring American Culture, Norms & Customs
- Making American Friends
- Understanding University Party Culture
- **Exploring US & China Differences**
- Clarifying Roles of Professors & Students
- Communicating with Professors
- Understanding Course & Major Requirements
- Understanding the Syllabus
- Analyzing Academic Requirements
- **Developing Study Plans & Time Management Strategies**
- Strengthening Academic Writing Skills
- Developing Strong Reading Skills
- Writing Effective Email
- Avoiding Plagiarism
- Studying Effectively
- Using University Resources
- Using Personality Tests to Understand Yourself
- **Developing Personal Strengths**
- Analyzing Your Learning Profile
- **Exploring Majors & Careers**
- Writing Effective Resumes
- Communicating Effectively at Interviews
- Writing Personal Statements
- Understanding Leadership Skills in the US & China
- Exploring Fun Things to Do Around Town
- Staying Healthy and Fit
- Learning through Volunteering
- Getting Involved on Campus
- Joining Clubs & Student Organizations

## University Performance Program

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# Ready to get started?





Receive more information on tuition and the UPP program.

#### Have questions? Contact us!

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