



Sharing cultures and languages

## Family Friendship Program

Do you enjoy learning about new cultures? Are you interested in meeting new people from around the world? Do you like sharing family traditions with others? If you answered yes to any of these questions, the Family Friendship Program may be a great fit for you and your family.

For many years, International Student Services and Activities (ISSA) at the University of Notre Dame has paired international students with members of the local community, allowing participants to learn more about different cultures, traditions, and languages. Today, the Family Friendship Program continues to foster friendships and cultural understanding between students from around the world and community members who represent a wide range of ages, professions, religions, ethnic backgrounds, and family compositions. The Family Friendship Program is not a homestay, but rather a chance to get to know an international student through sharing time and participating in activities of your choosing.

Fostering friendship and cultural understanding

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Information for Host Families



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# Having fun

The Family Friendship Program is a yearly program, and international students are matched with individuals and families in August. In September, ISSA will host a kick-off event at the University of Notre Dame. Following the kick-off, we encourage participants to meet regularly and take advantage of the many activities offered on the Notre Dame campus and throughout the community. Examples of activities include cooking traditional foods together, picking students up from the airport, spending time during the holidays, and attending the annual hayride event. The Program requires no financial obligation.

If you would like to participate in the Family Friendship Program for the 2010 to 2011 academic year, please submit the online application as soon as possible at:  
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/FamilyFriendshipforFamily>

If you would prefer to submit your application via mail, e-mail, or fax, please complete the following application and submit it to International Student Services & Activities (ISSA).

If you have any questions, please e-mail [issa@nd.edu](mailto:issa@nd.edu) or call 574-631-3825.

## Family Friendship Program Family Application \*Denotes required field

**Please Submit Your Completed Application to:** Family Friendship Program, c/o: International Student Services & Activities, 204 LaFortune, Notre Dame, IN 46556, E-mail: [issa@nd.edu](mailto:issa@nd.edu), Fax: 574-631-3162

Name\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Home\*): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Cell): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Work): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address\*: \_\_\_\_\_

**Check One:** Female \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Check One:** Married \_\_\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have children (Y/N)? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_ What are your children's names and ages? \_\_\_\_\_

What language(s) do you speak?\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any pets?\* \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what kind? \_\_\_\_\_

Interests and Hobbies\* (Please be descriptive): \_\_\_\_\_

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How many students would you like to host?\* \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any preference for what type of student you would like to host (gender, nationality, language)? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you able to accommodate dietary restrictions (vegetarian, no pork, etc.) if a student has them? \_\_\_\_\_

Why would you like to be part of the Family Friendship Program?\* \_\_\_\_\_

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Please list the names and phone numbers of two references:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_