Study in
California, Florida, & New York

ABOUT THE PROGRAM:
The Dominican Exchange Program is offered through a partnership with three fellow Dominican-rooted institutions around the country. Through this collaboration, students can experience Dominican University of California in San Rafael, California; Barry University in Miami Shores, Florida; or St. Thomas Aquinas College in Sparkhill, New York. As a guest student, participants are able to enroll in any class offered at the host campus, providing they meet the course prerequisites. As such, this program is an excellent alternative for students on an accelerated or exacting academic plan. Selection to the program is competitive as participation is limited to two students per campus per year.

The program coincides roughly with either the Aquinas College Fall or Spring semesters. (If applying to a Fall semester program, the application must be submitted by February 1 of the preceding academic year. If applying to a Spring semester program, the application must be submitted by September 1.)

ACADEMICS:
Students are responsible for ensuring the transfer of all classes taken. Each campus offers programs in a variety of disciplines. For more information, please visit the following:

- Dominican University of California: www.dominican.edu
- Barry University: www.barry.edu
- St. Thomas Aquinas College: www.stac.edu

HOUSING:
Students stay in university residence halls.

ELIGIBILITY:
Full-time Aquinas Students of at least sophomore status with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0. Participants may not be on academic or discipline-related probation.

COST:
Each student pays a $500 administration fee, Aquinas semester tuition, + the room and board fees to the host university. Financial Aid and scholarships apply.

OTHER COSTS:
These include living expenses and transportation to and from the host campus.
**Student Quote:**
“Participating in the Dominican Exchange in San Rafael was one of the best decisions I made during college. Experiencing new surroundings and meeting new people really helped to stretch me as a person, and gave me added confidence as I neared graduation. San Rafael’s proximity to San Francisco allowed me to see world famous landmarks like the Golden Gate Bridge, Coit Tower, and the ridiculously squiggly Lombard Street. The San Francisco Bay area is an incredible place for anyone who loves nature. I loved being able to look out my window and see mountains, or drive a few minutes to see ocean or redwood trees. The people in the area are very friendly, and the San Francisco Bay overall is a very positive, progressive place to live. As an environmental studies and sustainable business major, I felt very lucky to find an internship in one of the nation’s epicenters for environmental progress. I think everyone should visit California at least once in their life, and going through the Dominican Exchange program gives you the advantage of having the university as a pre-established network once you arrive.”

-Kate Luce  
2005 Dominican Exchange Participant

**More Information:**
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