

International Buddy Program: Friendship around the world

This program pairs international students with domestic students to foster meaningful, student-driven connections. It's a mutually enriching experience: domestic students help international students adapt to American culture and life at MSU, while international students share their unique cultural perspectives.

Benefits:

- Connect with someone from outside of your country and culture.
- Enhance your intercultural communication skills.
- Discover new languages and cultures.

Process: [Applications are accepted year-round through this survey](#). Matches are made based on your responses, including shared interests and gender preferences. While there is no application deadline, matching occurs as suitable candidates become available.

Commitment:

This program is primarily student-driven, which means paired buddies need to take an active role in maintaining their connection to ensure a meaningful experience. Participants are expected to reach out and meet with their buddy at least once a month. If any issues arise, staff support (pangguan@msu.edu) is available to assist.

Eligibility: Must be a Broad student (admitted and business preference).

- International Buddy
 - Broad international students (F-1/J-1 visa status), in-bound exchange students, or US citizens who have never attended schools in the US.
- Domestic Buddy
 - Broad domestic students or international students who attended US high schools.

