Life in Tucson

Cultural Orientation 2015
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It is only 30-45 minutes long.
ORIENTATION OVERVIEW

- Living in Tucson
- Taking care of yourself
- Getting around
- Things to do
Where we are

What is close to Tucson? (driving hours from Tucson)

• Phoenix, Arizona (2 hours)
• Sedona, Arizona (3.5 hours)
• Grand Canyon, Arizona (6 hours)
• Las Vegas, Nevada (6 hours)
• San Diego, California (6 hours)
• Monument Valley, Arizona (6.5 hours)
• Havasu Falls, Arizona (7 hours)
Tucson
Tucson and Arizona History

- Began 10,000 BCE
- 200 AD Hohokam and Tohono O’odham tribes
- 1775 Tucson “Presidio” established
- 1821 Tucson part of Mexico
- 1854 Tucson became part of United States
- 1863 Arizona official territory
- 1912 Arizona 48th state
- Today Tucson now has over 1,000,000 people and Arizona more than 6.5 million!
Banking

- Banks and ATMs nearby:
  - Chase
  - Wells Fargo
  - Arizona State Credit Union
  - Vantage West Credit Union
Banking
Quick Quiz!

• When did Arizona become an official American state?

• What is the name of the Tucson public transportation system?

• What is the closest vacation city mentioned in the previous slide?

• What is the farthest city from Tucson?
Weather in Tucson

- You now live in the desert.
- Drink water!
- Take breaks.
- Stay inside when it’s very hot!
Getting Medical Help

- **Start with Campus Health**: [http://www.health.arizona.edu/](http://www.health.arizona.edu/)
- Pharmacy clinics (Walgreen’s, CVS)
- Urgent Care clinics
- Emergency Room
Restaurants

- 4th Avenue restaurants
- Downtown Tucson
- Mexican food!
- Campus restaurants
  - http://www.union.arizona.edu/dining/
- See also
  - www.yelp.com
  - www.urbanspoon.com
Shopping

- Malls (Tucson Mall, Foothills Mall, Park Place, La Encantada)
- Target
- Wal-Mart
Activities Around Tucson

The Rattlesnake Bridge over Broadway

• Tucson activities: www.visittucson.org/
   www.tucsonguide.com

• Movies: www.fandango.com

• CESL Student Activities: http://www.cesl.arizona.edu/content/activities
Activities Around Tucson

• Museums: http://www.tucsonmuseums.org/
• University of Arizona Library: www.library.arizona.edu
• Public Libraries: www.library.pima.gov
Groceries

It is cheaper to buy food to eat at home! Here are some grocery stores you can find all over Tucson:

• Albertson’s
• Trader Joe’s
• Sprouts
• Fry’s
• Safeway
• Food City
• Lee Lee Oriental Supermarket
• Caravan
Recipes

• **Cheap and Easy Recipes:**
  - [www.collegerecipes.com](http://www.collegerecipes.com)
Where you live

- **Landlord** = person who owns the apartment
- **Tenant** = the person renting an apt or house (YOU!)
- **YOU HAVE RIGHTS!!!**
Are you living in an apartment? There are rules!

• You must keep the apartment clean and safe.

• You must take care of the apartment.

• You must tell the landlord if you need repairs.

• Don’t disturb your neighbor!
You have rights in your apartment!

• Your landlord can come into your apartment but must give you 24 hours notice.

• Your landlord can come into your apartment in an emergency.

• You can get legal help if your landlord doesn’t help you.
Arizona Immigration Information

• SB1070
• Police may ask for your immigration status.
• You should have your US identification & passport with you at all times!
Let’s see what you would say!

- **Landlord and Tenant role play**
  - Think of some problems you may have in your apartment

- Think of how you can ask for help

- Be ready for answers you don’t like!

- Know how to respond
FINAL QUIZ!

- Name 3 options for getting medical help (and describe them)
- Name 2 grocery stores in Tucson
- When can your landlord come into your apartment?
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