### Converging for Intercultural Friendship and Exchange

ENHANCE YOUR INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE AT UIC!



### JOIN CONVERSATION PARTNERS!

- Practice language and intercultural communication skills with a native speaker
- Make lasting connections with people from around the world
- Present in a foreign language with your partner at the Language Showcase
- Participation counts toward earning the UIC Experience Certificate!

## WHAT IS CONVERSATION PARTNERS?

Conversation Partners is a semester long program designed to facilitate language and cultural exchange between international and domestic students at UIC. Domestic students are paired with an international student who speaks a language the domestic student is interested in learning. Conversation Partners is a great opportunity for those U.S. students getting ready to depart for study abroad or for those who may just be returning. Additionally, the program affords international students at UIC the chance to improve their English language skills through peer interaction and facilitated conversation.

Questions? Please contact: oisactivities@uic.edu

## CONNECTING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS WITH U.S. DOMESTIC STUDENTS

#### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Join now to practice conversational English and learn about U.S. culture!

### U.S. DOMESTIC STUDENTS

Join now to practice or maintain foreign language skills needed for your study or work abroad goals!

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Apply at the beginning of each semester on the OIS website > www.ois.uic.edu



*"I learned to socialize with people from different backgrounds." - UIC Domestic Student* 

# **Conversation Partners**

#### MAKE FRIENDS AND IMPROVE YOUR LANGUAGE SKILLS

At the start of each semester, international and domestic students are paired with the mutual goal of improving target language skills and cultural awareness. This out of the classroom learning environment allows for a casual, relevant, realistic, and fun language learning experience.



"It's fun to learn a new language under no pressure!" - UIC International Student



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