The Carleton College International Family and Friends Program provides a caring “home away from home” experience for Carleton’s international students who are interested in connecting with a friend or family in the Carleton/Northfield community. The International Family and Friends Program does not provide student accommodation, but is designed to promote cross-cultural sharing and friendship. Once a match is made, the host and international student decide how they would like to shape their interactions.

Meeting for coffee, celebrating holidays, exploring Minnesota, and partaking in special events on campus are just some of activities you can enjoy. This is a rewarding program for both the hosts and international students alike. Building cultural bridges, connecting over common interests, and creating lifelong global friendships are just a few of the benefits of the program.

**INTERESTED? PLEASE APPLY!**

Applications to become a Carleton Host Family for an international student can be obtained from the Office of Intercultural and International Life website, and the links are located below.

**Student:** [https://apps.carleton.edu/intl/student_life/hostfamilyprogram/hostfamily](https://apps.carleton.edu/intl/student_life/hostfamilyprogram/hostfamily)

**Hosts:** [https://apps.carleton.edu/intl/student_life/hostfamilyprogram/hostfamilyfs](https://apps.carleton.edu/intl/student_life/hostfamilyprogram/hostfamilyfs)

**FOR HOSTS:**

- Learn about your student’s culture and country
- Share U.S. traditions and culture mindfully
- Explore common interests with your student
- Communicate openly and regularly with your student
- Notify the Office of Intercultural and International Life if you can no longer fulfill your obligation to maintain the friendship
- Hosts are not required or expected to assist students with legal/immigration matters, medical issues, and/or monetary difficulties.

**FOR STUDENTS:**

- Share your country and culture, and most importantly, yourself!
- Explore U.S. culture with your hosts.
- Communicate with your family on a regular basis
- Accept invitations from the hosts whenever possible and be courteous to contact your host if you cannot attend a scheduled event
- Contact the Office of Intercultural and International Life if you no longer can participate in the program

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