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Monthly Newsletter August

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Highlights



**WU Volunteers: Westcliff & OC
United Way Backpack Drive**

Westcliff University Earns National Recognition for Academic Excellence, Student Success, and Military Support

Explore Westcliff's latest national rankings and recognitions for academic quality, student success, military support, and business education.

[Read Here](#)

See how Westcliff's Backpack Drive helped provide local students with school supplies to start the academic year prepared for success. Thank you to SparkPoint OC and Orange County United Way for helping us make a difference!

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The Rise of the Warriors: Inside Westcliff Athletics' Landmark 2025–26 Season

See how Westcliff Athletics made history with championship victories, postseason success, and record-breaking program growth.

[Read Here](#)



The Opportunity That Changed Everything: Arabian Prince's Empowering Message for the Class of 2026

Watch Arabian Prince share how technology transformed his future, and why expanding opportunity matters for the next generation.

[Watch Here](#)

Newsworthy



Announcing a New Partnership with Pacific College

Westcliff University has entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Pacific College, expanding our academic portfolio into integrative health education. Learn how this partnership broadens educational opportunities and strengthens Westcliff's presence across Southern California.

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U.S. Visa Policy Updates: Duration of Status Final Rule

KEY TOPICS COVERED:

- ✓ Duration of Status Ruling
- ✓ What this means for Education Consultants
- ✓ How Westcliff is responding



WEDNESDAY | JULY 29TH | 9:00 PM PST

HOSTED BY:

DR. JOSH SCHOONOVER
DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

REEMA BHAGCHANDANI
INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH REPRESENTATIVE



Webinar: U.S. Visa Policy Updates: Duration of Status Final Rule

Missed our live webinar? Watch the full recording for an overview of the new Duration of Status (D/S) final rule, what has changed for F-1 students, how Westcliff is responding, and key guidance to help education partners support prospective and current students.

[Watch the Recording](#)

Alumni Spotlight

CLASS SPEAKER ABEERAH WAQAR'S MESSAGE FOR THE CLASS OF '26



Her Story, Her Strength, Her Success:

Meet Class of '26 Commencement Speaker, Abeerah Waqar

Watch Class Speaker and DBA graduate Abeerah Waqar reflect on how earning her doctorate transformed her confidence, opened new opportunities, and inspired her to encourage women in STEM to pursue their goals with courage and determination.

[Meet Abeerah Waqar](#)

Question of the Month



Where can I learn more about the new Duration of Status (D/S) rule?

Access our overview of Westcliff's resources, FAQs, and guidance to understand the new Duration of Status requirements.

[View Here](#)

Important Dates

Semester	Session	App Deadline: Incoming F1	I-20 Deferral Deadline	Start Date
Fall 2026	Session 1	Jun 8, 2026	Jun 22, 2026	Aug 31, 2026
	Session 2	Aug 3, 2026	Aug 17, 2026	Oct 26, 2026
Spring 2027	Session 3	Oct 12, 2026	Oct 26, 2026	Jan 4, 2027
	Session 4	Dec, 2026	Dec 21, 2026	Mar 1, 2027
Summer 2027	Session 5	Feb 8, 2027	Feb 22, 2027	May 3, 2027
	Session 6	Apr 5, 2027	Apr 19, 2027	Jun 28, 2027

Reminders

- **2026-2027 AY Tuition Fees:** See our [tuition & fees](#)

- **State Authorization:** WU maintains full compliance with federal, state, and WSCUC standards—learn more on our [website](#).
- **Social Media Kit:** Find premade posts you can use to up your social media game in our [WU social media kit](#).
- **IO Page:** Check out our [recruitment resources page](#).
- **Partner Feedback Form:** Share your questions, comments, and staff recognitions with WU through our [partner feedback form](#)
- **EC Portal:** Have questions or need additional training on our new application process? [Email us](#) to schedule your EC portal training today!

