



Alliant  
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SACRAMENTO  
CAMPUS

RELOCATION  
GUIDE

## WELCOME TO ALLIANT!

Hi Everyone! Welcome to the Alliant family! We are happy that you have chosen Alliant International University—Sacramento as your graduate school. We look forward to meeting and helping you in your professional endeavors.

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## RELOCATION GUIDE | SACRAMENTO

Here is a relocation guide to give you the most current resources for getting around town, finding a place to live, and getting to know and love the Sacramento area! Please understand that this guide is a compilation of recommended resources from students, faculty, and staff, and does not guarantee the service you will receive. Please also keep in mind that there are many great resources that are not mentioned in this guide. We hope you will enjoy these, and other places, as much as we have!

In the pages that follow you will find:

- Suggestions and resources for finding a place to live
- A map of Irvine and the surrounding area, including the names of the different neighborhoods in Orange County
- Driving and public transportation information
- Directions to the Irvine campus and parking instructions
- Suggestions and resources to help you settle in and begin to explore the area when you arrive, including basic necessities, food, and entertainment

## ROOMATE MATCHING

One of the immediate challenges that many new students face is relocation to (or within) the Sacramento area. There are [Facebook](#) groups where students can communicate and potentially find roommates. Please see the link and information below. **Alliant International University does not match roommates nor does it assume responsibility for matches that are made using Social Media Platforms. Alliant International University's only role is to help facilitate this communication process.**

Students are responsible for contacting one another to discuss housing options. Alliant International University will not serve as an intermediary between students who are seeking housing.

**CSPP Facebook Group:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1066564870350489/>

**CSOE Facebook Group:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/183212072884669/>

**CSML and Online Facebook Group:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/951936162005142/>

## FINDING A PLACE TO LIVE IN SACRAMENTO

There are a number of rental listings online, which you can find in the hundreds by searching rental listings Sacramento or apartments Sacramento via search engines.

### Helpful Housing Rental Websites

- **Craigslist:** <https://sacramento.craigslist.org/>
- <http://www.rent.com/>
- <http://www.apartmentfinder.com>
- <http://www.apartments.com>
- <http://www.apartmentguide.com>
- <http://www.mynewplace.com>

### Neighborhoods In Sacramento

**Natomas:** Natomas is a growing community in Sacramento's northwest territory. Arco Arena is located here as well as the scene of newly constructed homes. Alliant International University is located in South Natomas. North Natomas is about 10 – 15 minutes from Alliant.

**Downtown/Midtown/Old Sacramento:** This area is a thriving living and entertainment place for the city. Downtown and Old Sacramento are located approximately 3 miles from Alliant and Midtown is located about 7 miles from Alliant.

**East Sacramento:** East Sacramento is among the more established communities in Sacramento. McKinley Park is located here. It is located about 8 miles from Alliant.

**West Sacramento:** It is located across the Sacramento River from the state capitol, approximately 6 – 7 miles from Alliant.

**South Sacramento:** The Sacramento Zoo is located here as well as the California State University at Sacramento ("Sac State"). South Sac is located about 10 miles from Alliant.

**Arden-Arcade:** Arden-Arcade is one of Sacramento County's most developed communities. You will find Cal Expo and the Arden Mall here. This area is located 9 – 13 miles from Alliant.

### Suburbs of Sacramento

**Folsom:** A city in Sacramento County that is most commonly known for its famous Folsom Prison. It is located 22 – 26 miles from Alliant.

**Roseville:** It is part of Placer County which is also a part of the metropolitan area of Sacramento. Roseville is located 20 miles from Alliant.

**Davis:** This is where the University of California at Davis, or UC Davis, is located. Davis is approximately 15 – 17 miles from Alliant and it is considered a colleegetown.

**Elk Grove:** It is part of Sacramento County located just south of Sacramento. Elk Grove is approximately 18 - 20 miles from Alliant.

## Safety of the Neighborhoods

If you would like information about the safety of the neighborhoods in Sacramento, you can go to this website and get the information: [ <http://www.neighborhoodscout.com/ca/Sacramento/crime/> ] or you can go to [ <http://www.spotcrime.com> ].

## Apartment Pricing

It is very important to take into consideration the price of the apartment you are looking for in the Sacramento area. Prices can go from \$500 - \$1500 for a one bedroom apartment. These depend on the area you choose to live and the amenities included in the apartment and/or community. Price will increase as you find safer and more developed communities as well as if you are looking for apartments in the Downtown area. Still, there are apartments for different budgets, just make sure to ask about safety features and amenities that contribute to the pricing of the apartments.

Some landlords will ask for the first and last month's rent and according to the state law, anything other than the first month of rent is considered a "security deposit" regardless of what the landlord calls it. Deposits are refundable if you leave your apartment clean and damage-free and if you have paid your rent in full. The first month's rent and the "security deposit" payments will have to be made in cash, cashier's check or money order. Personal checks are usually not acceptable until after you have paid your first month's rent and your security deposit.

## UTILITIES

- **Sacramento Municipal Utility District /SMUD:** Visit [ <https://www.smud.org> ] for information on how to set up your apartment or house account. In most cases, you will need to provide your account number to finalize the leasing process.
- **Renter's Insurance:** There are different companies providing Renter's Insurance. Some of these include:
  - a. Farmers Renters Insurance – [ <http://www.farmers.com> ]
  - b. Progressive Insurance – [ <http://www.progressive.com/Renters> ]
  - c. Liberty Mutual – [ <https://www.libertymutual.com/renters-insurance> ]
  - d. Allstate for Renters – [ <http://www.allstate.com/Renters> ]
  - e. California Renters Insurance – [ <http://www.rentersinsurance.net/california.html> ]
  - f. California Renters and Apartment Insurance – [ [http://www.cahomeinsurance.com/California\\_Renters\\_Insurance.htm](http://www.cahomeinsurance.com/California_Renters_Insurance.htm) ]
  - g. Nationwide Renters Insurance – [ <http://www.nationwide.com/california-renters-insurance.jsp> ]
- **Phone Company:** The main telephone and internet company in Sacramento is Comcast [ <http://www.comcast.com> ] but you have a variety of options to get what you need through different companies especially those who also carry cell phones such as AT&T.

Renter's Information for the state of California: You can find more information about this through this website - **California Tenant Rights** - [ <http://www.dca.ca.gov/publications/landlordbook/catenant.pdf> ]

## BANKING

Some of the Banks available close to campus are:

- Bank of America – 916-861-9952 – 1590 W. El Camino Avenue
- Wells Fargo – 916-648-1802 – Gateway Oaks Drive
- Chase Manhattan – 916-574-9620 – 3850 Truxel Road
- Golden 1 Credit Union – 916-732-2900 – 2550 W. El Camino Avenue
- Union Bank of California – 916-321-6722 – 700 L Street

## DIRECTIONS TO THE SACRAMENTO CAMPUS

### From I-80 West (Coming from Reno, NV)

Follow I-80 West all the way to Exit 88 for Truxel Rd.

Turn LEFT onto Truxel Rd.

Turn RIGHT onto West EL Camino Ave.

Alliant International University is on your LEFT on the first floor of the KVIE building.

\*\*You will need to do a U-Turn to enter the parking lot where the university is.

\*\*You can continue to go straight on Truxel Rd. past West El Camino and turn right on the next street and follow it all the way down to the KVIE building.

### From I-80 East

Follow I-80 East all the way to West El Camino Ave. Exit.

Turn RIGHT onto West El Camino Ave.

Follow West El Camino Ave. for about 1.4 miles and Alliant International University will be on your **RIGHT** on the first floor of the KVIE building.

### Taking I-5 North

Follow I-5 North until Exit 521 B for West El Camino Ave.

Turn RIGHT on West El Camino Ave.

Alliant International University will be on your RIGHT on the first floor of the KVIE building.

Taking I-5 South

Follow I-5 South until Exit 521 for Garden Hwy.

Turn RIGHT onto Garden Hwy

Take the first RIGHT onto Gateway Oaks Dr.

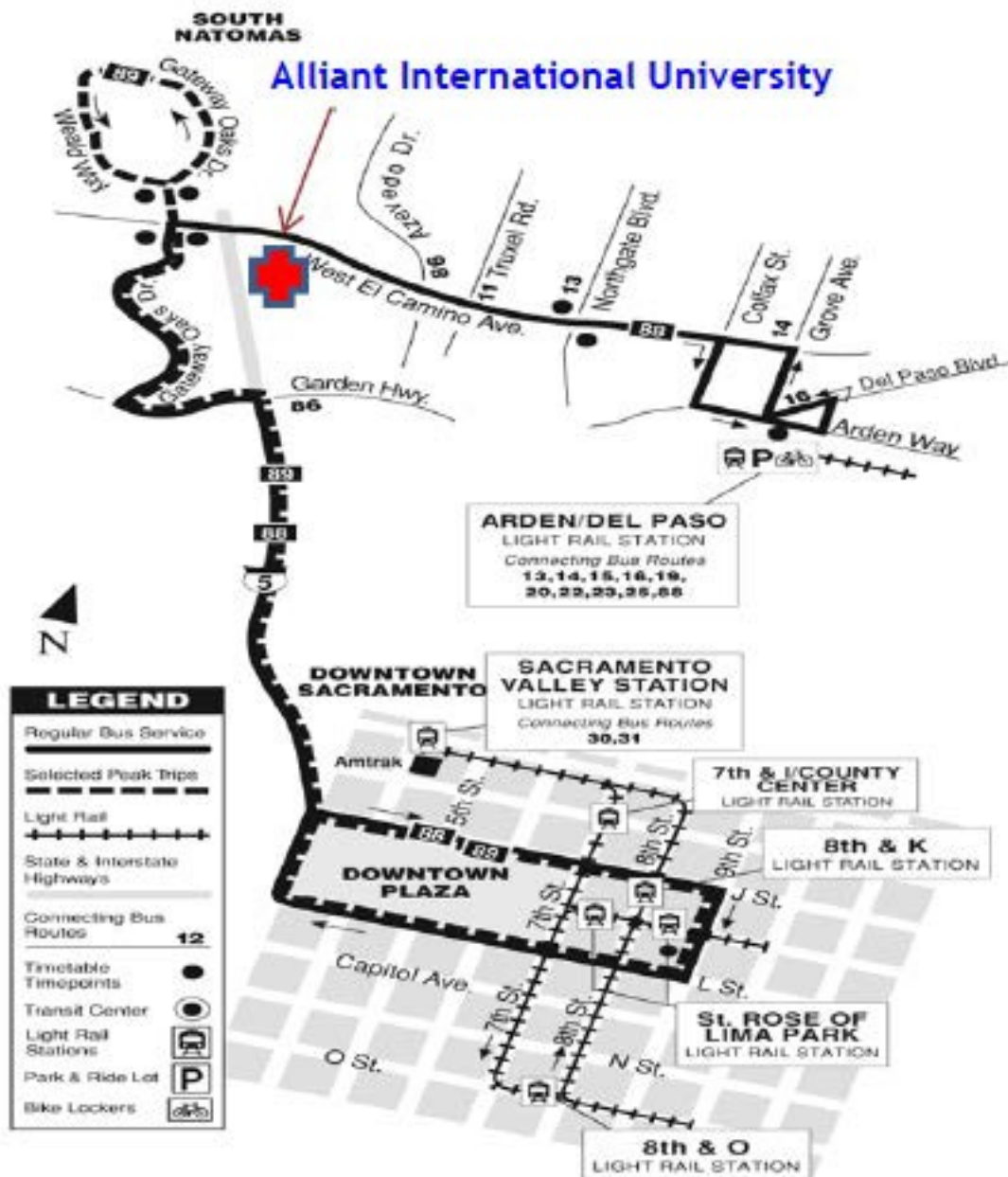
Turn RIGHT onto West El Camino Avenue.

Alliant International University will be on the RIGHT on the first floor of the KVIE Building.

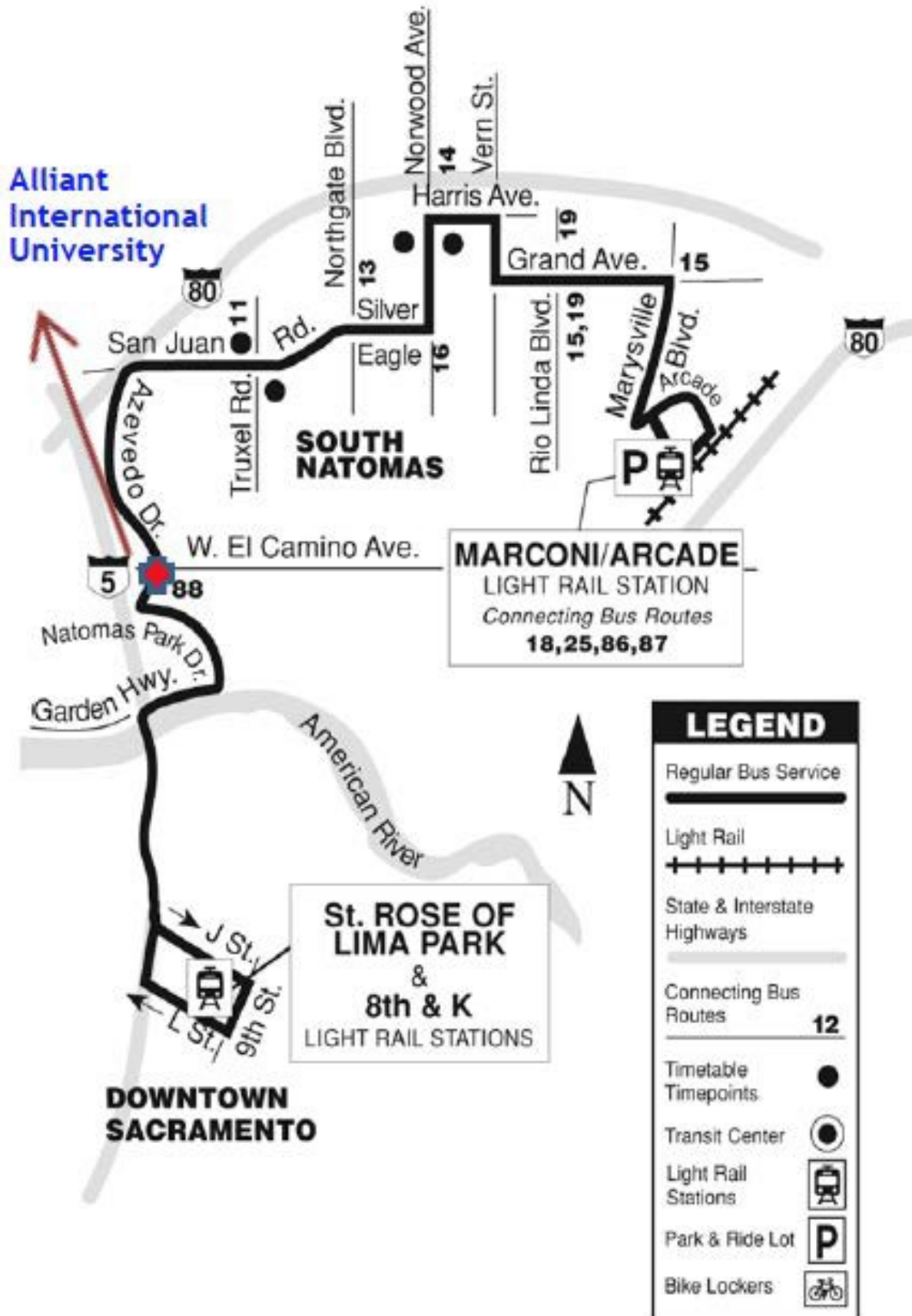
## PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

The city of Sacramento provides different forms of public transportation such as buses, train, and Light Rail. There are two bus stops that will leave you right in front of the University campus grounds or across the street from it. These two bus routes are number **86** and number **88**. For a complete schedule of all the buses including these two, you can visit the Sacramento Public Transit webpage at [ <http://www.sacrt.com> ] and click on Routes & Schedules.

The route map for bus route **88** is presented below. Alliant is located off of West El Camino Avenue.



The route map for bus route 86 is presented below. Alliant is located off of West El Camino Avenue.



## SACRAMENTO MAP





## GROCERY STORES

- Safeway | 2851 del Paso | Road. & 1814 19th St. | (916) 285-8840. Delivery!
- Save Mart Supermarkets | 5600 Folsom Boulevard | Camellia Center | (916) 456-3862
- Food Co. | 3625 Northgate Boulevard | (916) 927-8560
- Bel Air | 1540 W. El Camino Avenue | (916) 950-2493
- El Mercadito Mexican Market | 3134 Northgate Boulevard | (916) 927-3161
- Whole Foods Market | 4315 Arden Way | (916) 488-2800
- Kaveri Indian Grocery | 1148 Fulton Ave. Ste. D | (916) 489-1558
- Target | 1919 Fulton Ave | (916) 483-6093
- Walmart Super Center | 3661 Truxel Road | (916) 928-9668

## Looking for Farmers Markets?

Visit these webpages: [ <http://www.californiagrown.com/Market-times.html> ]  
or [ <http://sacramento.about.com/od/shopping/a/farmersmkts.htm> ]

## EATERIES NEAR THE ALLIANT - SACRAMENTO CAMPUS

### Mexican

- Chipotle Mexican Grill | 2495 Natomas Park Dr. #665 | (916) 596-4876
- Taco Bell | 1580 West El Camino Ave. #2 | (916) 920-9520
- Mezcal Taquería Restaurant | 1620 West El Camino Ave. #105 | (916) 646-4826

### Chinese

- Dragon Palace Best Chinese Restaurant & Take Out | 1620 West El Camino Ave. #148 | (916) 922-0818
- House of Chang | 1589 West El Camino Ave. #105 | (916) 925-2138
- New Blue Sky Chinese Restaurant | 1500 West El Camino Ave. Suite #3 | (916) 922-5640

### Pizza

- Pizza Guys | 1620 West El Camino Ave. #160 | (916) 925-4444
- Pizza Hut | 604 West El Camino Ave. | (916) 921-1800

## Sandwiches

- Sandwich Spot | Gateway Park 2606 Gateway Dr. #100 | (916)927-0188
- Subway | 2550 West El Camino Ave. #10 | (916) 564-1086

## Café's and Juice Bars

- Main Street Bagel Café | 1580 West El Camino Ave | (916) 929-7800
- Creekside Café | 1750 Creekside Oaks Dr. #170 | (916)929-6075
- Starbucks | 1560-B West El Camino Ave | (916) 927-9391 & 2620 Gateway Oaks Dr. | (916) 921-0870
- Jamba Juice | 2600 Gateway Oaks Dr. #300 | (916)927-2051

## Burgers, Fast Food & more

- Jack In The Box | 2550 West El Camino Ave. | (916)922-6330
- Carl's Jr. | 2460 West El Camino Ave. | (916) 567-1290
- Arby's | 3291 Truxel Rd. #C | (916) 646-9093
- Denny's | 5460 Florin Rd. | (916)428-2187
- Applebee's | 3601 Truxel Rd. | (916) 928-8488
- I Hop | 3800 Northgate Boulevard | (916) 929-3330
- Bangkok City Thai Cuisine | 1620 West El Camino Ave. #147 | (916) 922-7410
- Anthony's Italian Cuisine | 1518 West El Camino Ave. | (916) 564-6718
- Good Friends Restaurant | 2600 Gateway Oaks Dr. #200 | (916) 568-5100

## DAYCARE OPTIONS AVAILABLE IN SACRAMENTO

- Childcare Careers | 1220 H St. Ste. 206 | (916) 448-6715 [ <http://www.childcarefinders.org> ]
- Forever Young Child Care Center | 1209 P St. | (916)446-4246 [ <http://foreveryoungchildcare.org> ]
- Judah Theodore Child Care Center | 3919 McKinley Blvd. | (916) 277-6562
- DOT TOT Child Care Center | 1630 12th St. (916) 442-5421 | [ <http://www.dottot.org> ]
- Bret Harte Child Care Center | 2761 9th Ave. | (916)277-6263  
[ [http://childcarecenter.us/provider\\_detail/bret\\_harte\\_sacramento\\_ca](http://childcarecenter.us/provider_detail/bret_harte_sacramento_ca) ]
- Family Matters Child Care Center | 5452 14th Ave. | (916) 277-6263 | [ <http://fmccc.net> ]
- Rainbow Day Care | 901 P St. #155B | (916) 448-5231 | [ <http://www.rainbowdaycareinc.com> ]
- Anna Kirchgater Child Development Center | 8141 Stevenson Ave. | (916)689-9474  
[ <https://www.cdicdc.org/locations/anna-kirchgater-cdc/> ]
- Isabelle Jackson Child Development Center | 8351 Cutler Way | (916)689-5274  
[ <https://www.cdicdc.org/locations/isabelle-jackson-cdc/> ]

- Kinder World Child Care and Preschool | 6565 Belleau Woodlane | (916) 422-5437  
[ <http://kinderworldpreschool.com> ]

If what you're looking for are daycare options closer to the Alliant Campus, you can look at these options:

**Within 1—2 miles away from the Alliant Campus:**

- South Natomas Childcare/Childtime: (916) 648-1061  
[ <http://www.childtime.com/our-schools/sacramento-ca-0236/> ]
- AJ's Childcare: Kanika Grimm (916) 927-2219  
[ <http://ajschildcare.webs.com> ]

**Within 3—4 miles away from the Alliant Campus:**

- Mulberry Bush Daycare: Christine's Daycare (916) 263-9057  
[ <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Mulberry-Bush-daycare/114554275308017> ]
- Early Childhood Daycare: (916) 575-9591
- My Sweet Home Daycare: (916) 285-9604
- Diamante Montessori School: (916) 925-9800  
[ <http://www.cmsofsacramento.com/> ]

**Within 4.5—5.5 miles away from Alliant:**

- Celebration Childcare: (916) 928-9979
- Moms on a Mission Christian Child Care: (916) 419-5111
- Miss Kathy's Child Care & Preschool: (916) 706-0079  
[ <http://www.mkchildcare.com> ]

## THINGS TO DO IN SACRAMENTO

Taking the time for self-care is extremely important, especially when you begin and continue your graduate studies. Here are some ideas of the entertainment available in the city of Sacramento.

- **American River Bike Trail:** 32 miles of scenic bike trails along the river. You can also walk, run, or take your dog.
- **Capitol Park:** It is located right in front of the Capitol Museum and you can have picnics, visit the gardens, or simply go for a nice walk around the park.
- **Capitol Museum:** It is free of cost and you can go in and experience an interactive way of learning about Sacramento's history.
- **Crocker Art Museum:** It is a history museum located in Downtown.
- **California State Railroad Museum:** It is the largest train museum in the country.
- **Old Sacramento:** Step back in time and taste the Old West in Old Sacramento when you come visit and experience this unique culture.

- **Sacramento Zoo:** Be wildly inspired! More than 140 kinds of native, exotic & endangered animals. Great family fun!
- **Discovery Park:** This is Sacramento's largest park. There are picnic areas where you can have a family or friend get together, you can kayak or boat, as well as soak in the sun and take a swim in the waters of the Sacramento River. Pets are allowed.
- **Arden Fair Mall, Capitol Mall, and Sunrise Mall:** These are just some of the places where you can shop for anything and everything you need.
- **Cesar Chavez Park:** It is located in downtown and it is where "Concerts at the Park" takes place every summer. These concerts happen every Friday and are free to the public.
- **Raley Field:** This is where the Sacramento River Cats play baseball. It is located near Downtown.
- **California Auto Museum:** Here you will be able to look at very old automobiles from the first car ever built to the most current vehicles available. Frequently, they hold car auctions for collectors.
- **McKinley Park:** Many activities such as "Yoga in the Park", "Easter Egg Dog Hung", Concerts, etc. are held here. There is a trail that goes around it for people to walk or run, and it is a great place to play tennis, soccer, have picnics, or simply relax and soak in the sun.
- **Fairytale Town:** It is a great place to take the kids to meet Mother Goose, have a picnic, or visit the gardens.
- **Funderland:** This is an amusement Park for children.
- **Cal Expo:** Home of the California State Fair. This is where the Sacramento Annual Dog Show takes place as well as many different types of seminars.

\*\* For more information on what is going on in Sacramento, visit [www.sacramento365.com](http://www.sacramento365.com) to learn more. They have updated activity calendars for every day of the year.\*\*

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