

Dominican Republic

UCEAP Advising Notes

Objective of the Advising Notes Document

This document is an advising tool written by a Berkeley Study Abroad adviser to review program specific details that may impact a student's *decision to apply* for an EAP program. The document is *not* a summary of eligibility requirements, academic, housing, application and other logistical details freely available to students on the [UCEAP](#) and [BSA](#) websites. The best source of detailed program information is always the [UCEAP Program Guide](#) from the prior academic cycle. If any concerns you have are not addressed on the UCEAP website, in the Program Guide or the Advising Notes document, please contact the BSA adviser for this program.

Applications 2019-20

Berkeley Study Abroad uses a portal called myapp.berkeley.edu (often referred to as "Slate") UCEAP applications. The portal opens in October, which is when you will be able to start an application to see specific requirements relevant to your program of interest. The link below will provide detailed information about preparing for submitting a UCEAP application.
<http://studyabroad.berkeley.edu/uceap-how-apply>

RESOURCES

Advisor Contact Information

For BSA Adviser name, email and drop-in advising hours, visit <http://studyabroad.berkeley.edu/advising>

EAP Alums

EAP alumni are one of your best resources for information about the program. If you would like to be put in touch with alums, simply send the BSA Adviser an email with your list of questions and the contact information of returnees who have agreed to be contacted will be shared.

EAP Alum-Created Resources

Some of our returnees have created presentations to share with others. You can look at their work through the [Student Created Resource](#) Google folder that we will continually update.

Center for Latin American Studies

The more informed you are about the history and current affairs of Dominican Republic and Latin America, the more fulfilling your study abroad experience will likely be. In addition to keeping up with Spanish language study prior to departure, you are also highly encouraged to attend lectures and events put on by the [Center for Latin American Studies](#) at UC Berkeley. You can join [CLAS email](#) list for event reminders.

PROGRAM

COMMUNITY PUBLIC HEALTH, SANTIAGO- SUMMER

Language Prerequisite

Students on this program are required to have 2 years of university-level Spanish prior to departure. Students can fulfill the requirement as listed on the [UCEAP Language Prerequisite Guide: Spanish & Portuguese](#). However, CIEE, the organization that UCEAP partners with to provide this program, may require an additional CIEE-specific Evaluation form to assess the applicants' language abilities if your Spanish language abilities or background is at question.

Academics

You are required to take a minimum of 9 semester units, which consist of 3 required courses. Each course is worth 3 units each.

- Pre-Professional Healthcare Issues
- Community Health Practicum- the practicum places students in local clinics in underserved neighborhood where they can get hands on experience in health care.
- Advanced Spanish Conversation and Grammar

Calendar

The Dominican Republic program is a summer program which starts typically in mid-June and ends in mid-August in time for the Berkeley semester. The program length has been 8 weeks for the past three years. You can see past terms' calendars on the [Participant Portal's calendar tabs](#). Please do not make any travel arrangements based on previous years' calendars.

If you have plans in the weeks before or after the program, please discuss them with the BSA Adviser prior to applying.