

Egypt 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 a UCEAP program. The document is *not* a summary of eligibility requirements, academic, housing, application and other logistical details freely available to students on the <u>UCEAP</u> and <u>BSA</u> websites. If any concerns you have are not addressed on the UCEAP website or in the Advising Notes document, please contact the BSA adviser for this program.

Adviser Contact Information

The Berkeley Study Abroad Adviser for this program is Michelle Ayazi (<u>mayazi@berkeley.edu</u>). Please feel free to email Michelle with any questions and/or concerns you have about the program or your participation. You can make an advising appointment with Michelle <u>here</u>.

Program Summary

Please visit the <u>UCEAP website for the American University of Cairo</u> for more information on dates & eligibility, academics, housing, cost and support.

Competitiveness of the Program

Students who meet and maintain the minimum eligibility requirements and submit a complete and well-prepared application by the Berkeley Study Abroad application deadline will have a very good chance of being selected.

Scholarships

All UCEAP students are encouraged to apply for a UCEAP Scholarship, which offers a \$2000 award for fall and spring programs. American University of Cairo also offers a scholarships, which you can apply for when submitting your UCEAP Scholarship application. For more information, visit the <u>UCEAP Scholarships</u> page.

US Citizen Pell Grant recipients are encouraged to apply for the Gilman Scholarship, which offers a possible award of up to \$5000. For more information, visit <u>gilmanscholarship.org</u>.

More information on financial aid and scholarships can be found on our website: <u>http://studyabroad.berkeley.edu/finances</u>

Financial aid students can request a financial aid estimate for the program here: <u>https://studyabroad.berkeley.edu/finances/financial-aid-advising</u>





Special Demands of the Program

Health and safety remain primary issues of concern for study in Egypt, particularly security and motor traffic. Students must be prepared to follow all safety and security regulations and guidelines established by UCEAP, the partner institution, and the U.S. Department of State.

Students should familiarize themselves with the role of race, gender, sexuality, and religion while studying in Egypt, and develop appropriate expectations according to personal backgrounds and self-identification. Students should be prepared for the local environment and immediate impact of different gender relationships, especially on female students.