

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to present challenges related to health concerns and international travel. Please check UCEAP's [Pandemic Updates](#) page for the most up-to-date information about UCEAP program cancellations for the 2023-24 academic year and additional resources and information.

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London's Calling

United Kingdom - England - UC Center London

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 UCEAP and BSA website, and reviewed by a student in the Program Self-Assessment. 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.

Advisor Contact Information

The BSA Adviser for England is Amy Veramay (averamay@berkeley.edu). Amy has spent time travelling around England and would be happy to discuss and help you compare cities and universities.

Application

You can use this website "[Preparing for the UCEAP application](#)" to assist you.

There are two applications for this program:

- 1) Berkeley students will start their application via the Berkeley Study Abroad website.
- 2) Students will then complete a second application in the UCEAP Portal.

! An Important Note about the Program

The London's Calling Program is not an immersion program because you are living and studying with other UC students at the UC Study Center in London. If you are interested in diverse coursework, studying at a British university, meeting Brits, or having more of an "immersion" study abroad experience, check out the host university programs on the [UCEAP website](#) and speak with Amy.

Selection Timeline and Terminology

Selection into the London's Calling program happens at the campus level. Your application is then forwarded to UCEAP and the UK for further review. After students complete all necessary pre-departure paperwork and procedures, their status will be changed to "accepted." Acceptance for the London's Calling program over the last couple years have come in mid-May.

Academics

Students in this program are required to take a full course load of 13.2 semester units. All students take one core course, London: Society and Space, and are able to choose 3 electives from the available course offerings, which you can review [here](#).

Internship Option

The internships are all entry-level positions and do not require previous experience or specific skills. These are not decision-making positions of responsibility but are an opportunity for students to learn more about the UK, work in the UK, and gain experience in their field of interest.

You will be emailed a Course Choice Form by an organization called ACCENT at the end of April. Follow the instructions and return it to the indicated email address by the stated deadline. An "Internship plus Workforce Course" will be one of the course choices. HOWEVER, there is a limited number of internships available. The number of allowable internships is set by the UK government and changes annually. Due to the internships being potentially limited, students who choose the Internship elective will also need to select an alternative course in case they are not placed in an Internship.

Students enrolled in the internship are assessed an additional fee and internships may require an additional visa process. All Internship students must be financially prepared to pay any costs associated with the visa process well before receiving their financial aid refund (if applicable) and final internship placement.

Other Important Notes

Delayed Grades from Abroad: [Important for Seniors](#)

Depending on the host institution, UCEAP will transmit your UCEAP courses, units, and grades to Berkeley up to 90 days after your program officially ends. You cannot be administratively graduated until your UCEAP grades are reported to Berkeley, are posted to your transcript, and a degree audit is conducted.

The Berkeley Office of the Registrar only administratively graduates students (a.k.a. degrees are “posted” to transcripts) three times per year: October for students with a summer anticipated graduation date, February for students with a Fall anticipated graduation date, and July for students with a Spring anticipated graduation date. If your EAP grades arrive after degrees are posted for your term of participation, your degree will be processed and posted to your transcript with the next term’s degree list.

You can review this [chart](#) to see when students at your host university in the past have had their UCEAP grades transmitted to the Berkeley Office of the Registrar. Factoring in a 1 to 4-week delay for grades to appear on your Berkeley transcript, determine when your degree is likely to be posted by the Berkeley Office of the Registrar (October, July or February).

If you determine that your grades are likely to arrive later than the term you need to graduate from Berkeley to stay eligible for your graduate program or another post-graduation opportunity, contact the program/employer you are applying to as early as possible. Ask about their policy on delayed graduation due to study abroad participation. Find out how long they can wait for UCEAP grades to be recorded on your official Berkeley transcript and for your degree to be posted by the Berkeley Office of the Registrar.

Ask your graduate program or employer if you can provide some academic information while waiting for your UCEAP grades or Berkeley diploma. If courses and grades do not yet appear on your Berkeley transcript, ask the program/employer if it will accept an official "Verification of UCEAP Coursework." This is a letter from UCEAP verifying dates of UCEAP attendance and giving the estimated dates of arrival for course titles, units, and grades. You can get this letter from your BSA Campus Adviser or from your UCEAP Academic Specialist for your program. If your UCEAP grades already appear on your Berkeley transcript but you are waiting for your degree to be posted, you can also request a Certificate of Completion. Read more about Transcripts and Diplomas on the Office of the Registrar website.

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 Drive folder](#) that we will continually update with tips, example schedules and presentations from students who have participated in this program.