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 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).

Applications 2020-21
You can use the document “Preparing for the UCEAP application” to assist you.
http://studyabroad.berkeley.edu/uceap-how-apply

New Program
This is a new program that was set to run for the first time via UCEAP in summer 2020. Due to the COVID-19
crisis, this first year was suspended.

Selection Timeline and Terminology
There are three applications: Berkeley students will start their application via the Berkeley Study Abroad
website. From within this interactive application, students will be instructed to complete a secondary
application in the MyEAP system and a third application directly with UCL. ALL applications will need to be
submitted with the Berkeley Study Abroad application at or before the BSA deadline.

Upfront Payment
This program requires students to pay for their accommodations at UCL within two weeks of their acceptance
into the program. It is important to keep this in mind when applying since summer financial aid would not be
available that early in the process. Acceptances for the summer 2020 program came in early February. That
means if you’re accepted, you’d need to put down a non-refundable housing payment by mid-February. If you
have concerns about this, please reach out to Amy.

Brexit
Matt Beech – Brexit and its Aftershocks
Brexit: Your simple guide to the UK leaving the EU

Delayed Grades from Abroad: Important for Seniors
Depending on the host institution, UCEAP will transmit your UCEAP courses, units, and grades to Berkeley up
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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.

This program has not ran before so we don’t have any data on when grades come back, but looking at similar summer programs in the UK, we expect: 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).

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 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 with tips, example schedules and presentations from students who have participated in this program.

Making friends with locals
When students are able to make friends with locals while studying abroad, their experience is enriched. The recent post How to Make Friends with Locals While Abroad by UCEAP student Elizabeth Lemerand (UCLA) offers advice for students to make meaningful connections while they travel.