

United Kingdom - England Summer, University College London



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.

Application

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

There are three 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.

- 3) Complete an application directly to UCL at a later time. You will be contacted with further instructions to fulfill the partner institution application requirements. When submitting your online partner institution application, be prepared to upload your most recent official transcript.

Academics

Take a full-time course of study: two courses for 8 semester units. Click [here](#) for the course list. Level 2 and Level 3 courses transfer as UC upper division courses. These courses are more advanced and require prior subject knowledge. It is your responsibility to ensure that you meet module prerequisites. These courses may also require a higher GPA.

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 UCEAP 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.

Media Resources

In order to aid with your study abroad process, the Study Abroad team has compiled media resources from UCEAP and Universities. These resources include YouTube videos that provide an overview of a location or university, and student blog posts and more. These resources can be used to give you a better understanding of what your study abroad experience may be like!

UCEAP Resources

[English Universities Info Session | International Education Week 2020](#)

[Study Abroad in England, Ireland, and Scotland | UCEAP Virtual Study Abroad Fair 2021](#)

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