

UCEAP UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA EDUCATION ABROAD PROGRAM

University of California Education Abroad Program (UCEAP) Reciprocity	
Location	UC is the major public research university in the state of California serving both undergraduate and graduate students. There are ten campus locations: Berkeley, Davis, Irvine, Los Angeles, Merced, Riverside, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, San Diego and San Francisco (a graduate medical school). Discover UC's campuses: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/discover-uc
Description	The University of California opened its doors in 1869 with just 10 faculty members and 38 students. Today, the UC system includes more than 238,000 students and more than 190,000 faculty and staff, with more than 1.7 million alumni living and working around the world. Discover UC's campuses: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/discover-uc
Level	Undergraduate / Bachelor
Deadline	Applications for August/September (Fall quarter/Fall semester) start are due by: February 1. Applications for January (Winter quarter/Spring semester) start are due by: August 1. For more information, see: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply-exchange/apply-undergraduate-programs/step-3-apply
UC Majors	For information on UC majors, see: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/plan-your-studies/uc-courses
Subject Area Restrictions	For campus-specific requirements and restrictions, see Major Specific Notes: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/plan-your-studies/uc-courses/major-preparation
Major Prerequisites	In the UC system, biology, business administration, economics, engineering, and psychology require intensive preparation for coursework taught at the upper-division level (100-199). To be approved for upper-division courses, you must demonstrate to UC departmental advisors and / or instructors that you are sufficiently prepared. Review the UC catalogs for course descriptions and information on prerequisites; see also Major Specific Notes: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/plan-your-studies/uc-courses/major-preparation See also the Major Prerequisites Checklist: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/sites/default/files/docs/Prereq-Checklist.pdf The information on prerequisites is provided as a general guide only. Other coursework may be necessary. Enrollment in classes is not guaranteed.
Academic Term Dates	UCB and UCM have semester-length terms. A semester includes 15 weeks of instruction. Fall semester (mid-August–mid-December); Spring semester (mid-January–mid-May). One full academic year at UCB and UCM is two semesters for a total of 30 weeks of instruction. UCD, UCI, UCLA, UCR, UCSB, UCSC, and UCSD have quarter-length terms. A quarter includes 10 weeks of instruction. Fall quarter (mid-September–mid-December); Winter quarter (January–mid-March); Spring quarter (April–mid-June). One full academic year at these UC campuses is three quarters for a total of 30 weeks of instruction. https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/after-you-apply/timeline See also the UC academic calendar for term dates by academic year: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/uc-calendar

Language of Instruction	English, unless specified as a foreign language course
Course Catalog	The Course Catalog lists courses that have been offered in the past and includes general information about the course such as a description, unit value, prerequisite information, etc. For links by campus, see: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/discover-uc
Schedule of Classes	Schedule of Classes (list of course offerings) will not have been published yet for the academic term for which prospective students will apply. The Schedule of Classes is announced midway through the preceding academic term. There is no guarantee that a course you are interested in taking will be offered during your proposed UC exchange studies, however you may research current Schedule of Classes to get an idea of the likelihood of a course being offered. For links by campus, see: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/discover-uc
English-Language Proficiency Requirements	Information on UC-recognized English-language proficiency examinations can be found on our website. Minimum score requirements vary by UC campus. See: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/plan-your-studies/examinations
Course Load Requirements	Full-time enrollment (at least 13 units each term at most UC Berkeley colleges, at least 12 units each term at all other UC campuses) is required of both U.S. and non-U.S. citizens. If your first language is not English, consider limiting your first-term enrollment to the minimum number of course units required by your UC college or department.
Course Numbering	Enrollment in courses is subject to meeting prerequisites and available space in the class. Undergraduate Courses (1-199) Lower-division courses numbered 1 - 99 are introductory and are often taken by UC students in their first two years of study. Undergraduate upper-division courses numbered 100 - 199 are usually taken by UC students in their last two years of study. Upper-division courses numbered 198 - 199 are usually taken by students working on a thesis or research. Graduate courses are numbered 200 and above. Some campuses and / or departments do not allow undergraduates to enroll in graduate courses. You must respect any restrictions that apply. Professional Schools Some majors at UC are taught only at the graduate level in what are called professional schools. Examples of these majors are education, medicine, veterinary medicine, law, management, information management, and journalism. Undergraduate reciprocity students generally cannot enroll in professional schools.
Costs / Fees	UCEAP reciprocity students do not pay tuition, student services or campus-wide fees. UCEAP reciprocity students are responsible for payment of orientation, housing, utilities, UC health insurance, books and laboratory, materials/technology, studio fees, document fees, optional leisure activities, travel and any personal expenses incurred while on the exchange. Students are also responsible for the shipping cost of their DS-2019 visa certificate and any other fees associated with the issue of their US visa. For general information, see: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/plan-your-studies/budget

Insurance	All UC students, including UCEAP reciprocity students, are required to have health insurance and will be automatically enrolled in the host UC campus' student health insurance plan. The cost of insurance will be applied to your student billing account for each term of participation. The student health insurance office will review health insurance exemption (waiver) requests they receive, if they are received by the stated deadline. There is no guarantee that a waiver request, if submitted, will be approved. If you submit a request for waiver and it is not approved, you must be prepared to pay the cost of the UC student health insurance plan. The student health insurance office will review health insurance exemption (waiver) requests they receive, if they are received by the stated deadline. General information about Insurance is available at: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/before-you-arrive/insurance Detailed information is posted on the Campus Specific Instructions pages when it becomes available at: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/before-you-arrive/campus-specific-instructions
Health Requirements	Students must be prepared to submit proof of their immunization records and TB screening by the stated deadline of their host UC. For more information, see: https://www.ucop.edu/uc-health/files/UC%20Immunization%20Requirements%20and%20Recommendations.pdf
Housing	UCEAP reciprocity students are eligible to apply for UC university-owned housing. UC housing is not guaranteed. https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/before-you-arrive/housing Housing information is posted on the Campus Specific Instructions pages when it becomes available at: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/before-you-arrive/campus-specific-instructions
US Visa	UCEAP reciprocity students will receive instructions after their host UC campus placement is determined on how to submit financial documentation required for DS-2019 request. Students must have a DS-2019 before they can apply for their US J-1 visa. For the minimum Estimated Living Expenses required for DS-2019 issuance, see: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/after-you-apply/visa-resources/financial-requirements For Visa Resources, see: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/after-you-apply/visa-resources U.S. citizens and valid U.S. permanent residents do not need a DS-2019 to enter the United States; a U.S. passport or permanent resident card is sufficient.
Application Review	UC is a systemwide program with 9 undergraduate campuses. Students must be willing to attend any UC campus where their major is offered. Applicants are required to submit 3 study plans for UC campuses where their area of study is offered. These will help staff in our office to better understand the applicant's study objectives and place the applicant at a UC campus that will be a good match. For more information, see: https://reciprocity.uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply-exchange/apply-undergraduate-programs/step-1-explore