

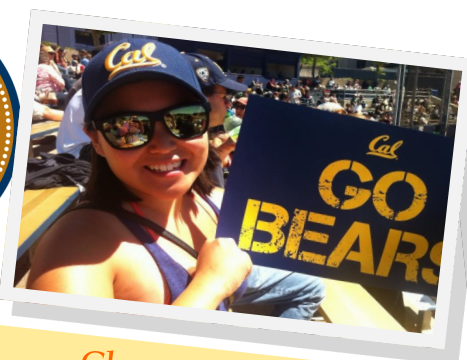


Berkeley International Study Program in L&S
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Berkeley International Study Program in Letters & Sciences (BISP-L&S)



Cheers for Berkeley



Make New Friends



Experience New Cultures



Learn about Berkeley

Study Abroad at the University of California at Berkeley!

UC Berkeley is a world-renowned public institution, famous for its top scholars, social activism, innovation, and diversity.

Our programs are consistently rated in the top ten among universities in the U.S., and often the world, in many subject areas. Our professors are some of the best in their fields, engaged in ground-breaking research, innovative thinking and service to society.

We offer the opportunity for International students to take courses in the participating departments in the College of Letters and Sciences at UC Berkeley. Visiting international students enjoy the experience of participating in class discussions and engaging in unique ways of learning, and they tend to do quite well at our university! The Berkeley students value getting to know our international visitors, and learn from them as well.

Berkeley students come from a wide variety of socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds. Close to one-third of our students are the first to go to college in their families. There is a high degree of volunteerism among our students and lots of involvement in student activities.

We welcome you to come spend a semester, or maybe two, with us at "Cal." We are sure you will find it to be an incredible academic and cultural experience that is exciting, fun and worthwhile to your education.

For information about the Berkeley International Study Program in Letters & Sciences and how to apply, please contact the International Office or Coordinator on your campus or email BISPInSoc@berkeley.edu.

Participating Departments

Social Sciences Departments:

African American Studies
 Anthropology
 Asian American Studies
 Buddhist Studies
 Chicano/Latino Studies
 Demography
 Economics ☆ ♣ △
 Ethnic Studies
 Gender and Women's Studies
 Geography
 History
 Legal Studies
 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, & Transgender St
 Linguistics
 Native American Studies
 Psychology ☆
 Sociology

Interdisciplinary Studies:

American Studies
 Asian Studies
 Development Studies
 Interdisciplinary Studies
 International and Area Studies
 Latin American Studies
 Letters & Science
 Middle Eastern Studies
 Peace and Conflict Studies

Biological and Physical Sciences:

Computer Science ☆
 Earth and Planetary Science
 Integrative Biology
 Mathematics ♣
 Molecular and Cell Biology
 Physics ☆ ♣
 Plant & Microbial Biology
 Statistics ☆

Arts & Humanities:

Art History
 Art Practice ◊
 Celtic Studies
 Chinese
 Classics
 Comparative Literature
 East Asian Languages & Cultures
 Film & Media Studies
 French
 German
 Italian Studies
 Japanese
 Korean
 Music ☆ ◊
 Near Eastern Studies
 Philosophy ☆
 Portuguese
 Rhetoric
 Scandinavian
 Slavic Languages and Literatures
 South and Southeast Asian Studies
 Spanish
 Theater, Dance & Performance Studies ◊

★ These departments may have very limited space, if any. Their courses tend to be impacted with Berkeley students who don't get off the waitlist, due to lack of space.

♣ An additional application is required from students in order to enroll in courses.

◊ Auditions or portfolios may be required prior to enrollment.

Life in Berkeley



City of San Francisco: San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge

- * Join student groups to experience the cultures of Berkeley.
- * Attend Cal sporting events to cheer for Berkeley!
- * Variety of places for eating out.
- * Weekend or day trips to (less than an hour drive): San Francisco (or just 30 min by train); Silicon Valley; Wine Country-Napa & Sonoma; Pacific Coast & beaches
- * Longer drive (~3-4 hours): Sierra Mountains; Lake Tahoe; Yosemite National Park; Mendocino Coast.
- * Short flights (1-2 hours): Los Angeles; Hollywood; Las Vegas; San Diego; Rocky Mountains; Canada.
- * Longer flights (3-5 hours): Hawaii; Mexico; Florida; New York; Washington D.C; Chicago; Texas.

WANT TO SPEND YOUR SUMMER IN BERKELEY?

Students coming in Fall Semester may wish to take a couple courses during the late Summer Session, starting in early July, in order to adjust to life in Berkeley earlier. Students entering in the Spring Semester may choose to extend their time by taking summer classes in late May and during June. It's a great way to take additional courses and spend more time in Berkeley! If you are interested in this, please email bispinsoc@berkeley.edu for more details.