Global Studies

Major Academic Plan for B.A.

"We should encourage students to focus on process and place together, rather than merely thinking about which international border they hope to cross."

- David Abernathy



UCLA Study Abroad

HOW TO STUDY ABROAD

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RESEARCH

Review your remaining UCLA degree requirements (GE, pre-major, major, minor, foreign language, & upper division units).

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IDENTIFY

Find UCEAP courses and identify options that are comparable to your degree requirements. Sample pre-approved UCEAP programs on the Global Studies website here.



DISCUSS

Email syllabi/course descriptions to Global Studies office. If you have questions, meet the advisors at the International Education Office to review UCEAP program details and locate syllabi.



PETITION

Petition with your Global Studies advisor to apply study abroad coursework toward your degree requirements.

- * Pre-approvals are provided by the Global Studies department. Therefore, you will know before your program starts whether you will be receiving major credit.
- * For pre-approval, only the course title and description are required. Students must submit a formal petition upon returning from UCEAP, which requires a syllabus.
- * Foreign Language Courses: Discuss with applicable language department as they must follow guidelines set by such department.
- * Study abroad is possible as soon as the summer after your first year through the Fall after your senior year. If going after senior year, meet your advisor to adjust your graduation term.

MAJOR SPECIFIC INFORMATION

Lower Division Major Prep	Yes. Lower division major preparation can be fulfilled during study abroad.
Major Electives	Yes. However, we have rarely approved major core courses, which are only offered once during the academic year (i.e. GLBL ST 102, 103, 104, 191, 194). Please ensure courses taken abroad are ≥ 4 units and taken for a letter grade.
List of Pre-Approved Coursework?	Yes. Pre-approved coursework remains valid until the course description changes. You can access our database of pre-approved coursework here .

HOW TO PETITION FOR ACADEMIC CREDIT ONCE COURSE IS COMPLETED

STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3
Confirm Pre-approved course is listed on your DAR under "Transfer Coursework"	·	Submit Petition (https://www.international.ucla.edu/globalstudies/requirements)

- To receive course credit abroad, all elective courses must focus on globalization and core courses must cover the same material as the ones offered at UCLA.
- At least 6 upper division courses must be taken at UCLA toward the Global Studies major.
- Of note, students are not restricted to taking courses only in their major abroad.

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