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Study Abroad for Neuroscience Majors

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Welcome!

Who We Are.

- **UCLA International Education Office (IEO)**
 - One-stop-shop for study abroad.
 - Study abroad advisors and coordinators.
 - Connect with study abroad returnees!
- **The UCLA Neuroscience Interdepartmental Program**
 - Your major/minor department!



Agenda Overview

- Welcome
- COVID-19
- Study Abroad 101 Refreshers
- How to Study Abroad in Your Major
- Sample Programs
- Q&A with Study Abroad Returnees



Study Abroad & COVID-19

Study Abroad & COVID-19

- Fall 2021 = In-Person Once Again
- Renew or apply for a passport ASAP!



Study Abroad 101 Refreshers

Webinars Distinction (Refresher)

- **What's covered in Study Abroad 101?**

- Programs Types
- Credit Transfer
- Costs and Funding
- Application Process and Timeline

Study Abroad 101
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- **What's covered in this session?**

- Discipline or Region of the World
- Programs with Focus or Strong Offerings in your Discipline or Region
- Student Returnee Advice
- Q&A

Program Types (Refresher)

- **University Immersion** – Study at a local university with local students and other UC peers.
- **UCLA Faculty-Led** – Short-term experiential courses “on-the-go” with UCLA professors over the summer.
- **Intern/Research Abroad** – Intern or research abroad for credit!
- **Dozen Other Types!**





Narrowing Down Programs (Refresher)

How To Choose Your Program

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When it comes to choosing a study abroad program, there is no "one-size fits all," nor is there only one program for you. There is likely more than one program that fits your personal and academic interests!

The first step in exploring these programs, is identifying your study abroad goals. Ask yourself, "[What do I want out of this?](#) [What are my goals?](#)" Consider the following questions:

- Are you interested in satisfying academic requirements? (i.e. major, minor, GE, elective and/or foreign language?)
- Would you like internship or research experience?
- Do you simply need units?

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Financial Aid (Refresher)

**Can I use my UCLA Financial Aid
for a study abroad program?**

YES!

Are there scholarships?

YES!





When to Apply (Refresher)

- **As early as 9 months before start of the program.**
 - Deadlines vary by program.
- **Is it competitive?**
 - Generally no. Most are first-come, first-served.
- **Can I apply/register now?**
 - Most Summer/Fall 2022 programs are now open!



Studying Abroad as a UCLA Neuroscience Major



Studying Abroad Outside of Major

- **Students are not obligated to “study abroad in their major.”**
 - GEs, minor, foreign language or tech breadth (if applicable), units, personal or professional development.
 - Still making progress toward degree.
- **Most programs are not designed around a major.**
- **Expand your search beyond “major programs!”**

But if you want to study
abroad in your major...



UCEAP Course Credit for Neuroscience Major

- Best times to study abroad are any Summer or Fall of your 4th year.
- When considering taking courses for the Neuroscience major:
 - **Major Prep:** Work towards Physics 5ABC series
 - **Required Core Classes:** Recommend taking at UCLA
 - **Major Electives:** Can complete if syllabus is approved by the department and courses come back to UCLA as upper division.
 - **Capstone Research:**
 - NEUROSC 101L or Psych 116, NEUROSC 199A/B, and DOPA Team must be taken at UCLA
 - The extra elective for the Laboratory Methods option can be taken abroad if syllabus is approved by the department.



Additional Notes for Neuroscience Majors

- Syllabus approval: syllabus should have course outline and indicate upper division content; send syllabus to Jaclyn Robbin or Aftin Whitten
- Thorough planning is the key to success! Meet with Academic counselor (Jaclyn Robbin & Aftin Whitten) and UCEAP Advisor to plan out your courses.
- Pre-Med Students: No guarantees if medical schools will accept courses from abroad.
- Maintain a grade of C- or higher; grades below a C- remain included in GPA even after retaking the equivalent course at UCLA.

Sample Programs

UCLA Travel Study

3-5 week summer-only
programs with UCLA faculty



UCLA Travel Study

Spanish in the Mexican Context

- **Location:** Merida, Mexico
- **Timeframe:** Summer, 4 weeks
- **Coursework Tracks:**
 - Spanish 2A and 3A
 - Spanish 3 and 5
 - Spanish 150 and 170
- **Highlights:**
 - Satisfy Foreign Language requirement or other SPAN reqs.
 - Excursions throughout Yucatan Peninsula
 - Hotel accommodations for Summer 2022





UCLA Summer Travel Study

In the Footsteps of Hans Christian Andersen

- **Location:** Copenhagen, Denmark
- **Timeframe:** Summer, 4 weeks
- **Coursework:**
 - SCAND 50(W): Intro to Scandinavian Literature and Culture
 - SCAND 143C: Scandinavian Crime Literature
- **Highlights**
 - Writing II; LCA GE; Diversity for L&S, HASOM, PA
 - Sample Excursions: museums, castles, Sweden!
 - Kollegium dorms, self-catered.





UCLA Summer Travel Study

Renaissance and Modernity

- **Location:** Rome, Italy
- **Timeframe:** Summer, 4 weeks
- **Coursework:**
 - Italian 42A: Saints and Sinners in Early Modern Italy
 - Italian 191: Medieval and Renaissance Italy in Pop Culture
 - Italian 1: Elementary Italian Beginning (4 units)
- **Highlights**
 - LCA or HA; Diversity for L&S, Music, PA
 - Progress towards Foreign Language
 - Sample excursions: Roman sites, Tivoli, Florence.
 - Apartments with furnished kitchens.



UCEAP Programs

Summer, Fall, Spring, and Year
options via the UC system



UCEAP: Physics Summer Abroad

- **Timeframe:** Summer, 8 weeks
- **Credit:** Major or Minor
- **Highlights:**
 - Satisfy Physics 5A and 5B
 - Potentially one GE – pending review
 - 3 destinations: Ireland, England, Scotland

More Info: ieo.ucla.edu/uceap/summerphysics/





UCEAP: University of Sussex, UK

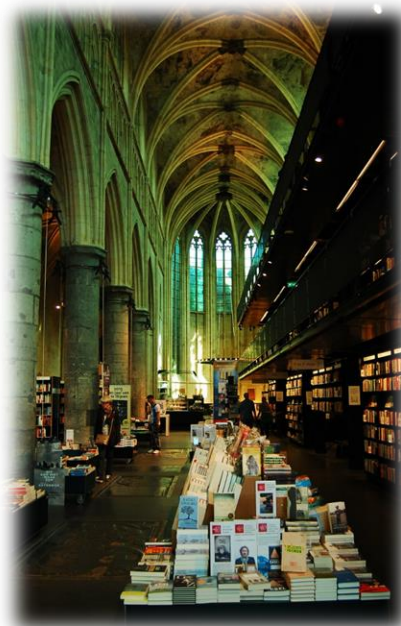
- **Timeframe:** Fall, Spring Sem, Year
- **Credit:** Major, minor, GE via petition
- **Highlights:**
 - Take courses in English alongside local students and with local professors.
 - Coastal vibrant city; SF of UK.
- **Sample Courses in LS & PSYCH:**
 - Cognitive Neuroscience (advanced)
 - Social Cognitive Development
 - Psychology of Cognitive Processes
 - Drugs, Brain and Behavior
 - Medical Neuroscience
 - Neuronal Function & Dysfunction





UCEAP: Psychology & Neuroscience, Maastricht

- **Timeframe:** Fall or Spring Sem
- **Credit:** Major or GE via petition
- **Highlights:**
 - Courses in English with int'l students in a college town; centrally located.
 - PBL academic system.
- **Sample Coursework:**
 - Developmental Neuropsychology*
 - Child Neuropsychology
 - Cognitive Neuroscience of Language
 - Social Neuroscience
 - Roaring 20s, Nazi Terrors, & Cold War*
 - Dutch Art History*





UCEAP: Yonsei University, Korea

- **Timeframe:** Fall, Spring Sem, Year
- **Credit:** Major, minor, GE's, language via petition
- **Highlights:**
 - Content courses in English (or Korean) with locals.
 - Optional Korean language study
 - Few excursions and cultural activities for program.
- **Possible NEURO Coursework:**
 - Social Neuroscience
 - Neuroscience: Exploring the Brain
 - Neurodegenerative Disorders
 - Neuroscience of Personal Relationships
 - Cognition and Emotional Regulation





UCEAP: University of Melbourne, Australia

- **Timeframe:** Fall, Spring Sem, Year
- **Credit:** Major, minor, GE's, language via petition
- **Highlights:**
 - Courses in English with locals.
 - Studying in coastal cosmopolitan city in the southern hemisphere!
 - Optional excursions offered by university.
- **Possible NEURO Coursework:**
 - Drugs Affecting Nervous System
 - Developmental Neurobiology
 - Neurophysiology: Neurons & Circuits
 - Neuroscience and the Mind



There are dozens of other options for
Neuroscience majors on UCEAP.
These were just a few.



UCEAP: Made in Italy, Florence

- **Timeframe:** Summer (Jun-Aug), Fall (Aug-Dec), Winter (Jan-Mar), Spring (Jan-Jun)
- **Potential Credit:** General Education (GEs)
- **Highlights:**
 - Take non-engineering courses with UC peers; live in homestay or apt.
- **Sample Coursework Varies by Term:**
 - Summer = 2 courses, Fall = 4 courses, Winter = 3 courses
 - Genius and Innovation in Renaissance Art
 - Unity in Diversity: The Definition of Italian Identity Through Food
 - Entrepreneurship: The Italian Way
 - Made in Italy: Marketing the Italian Style
 - Cities, Environment, and Sustainability: A Tuscan Experience
 - Fashion and Media in Italy
 - Florence Overexposed: Photograph, Cinema, and Urban Development
 - Bread, Wine & Olive Oil: A Culinary History of Italy





Neuroscience Returnee Advice



Casey, Sweden
UCEAP Lund University
Fall 2019

“Plan ahead. When I decided I wanted to study abroad, I mapped out what classes I still needed to take and when I should take them. I found out that I had quite a bit of wiggle room for taking fun classes while abroad.”

“If you wanna go to Lund, Sweden, take Sensory Biology! I was able to get credit for the Systems and Integrative Neuroscience requirement with it, and it's a super interesting graduate course where you study the sensory systems of various different animals. The professors are great and take mercy on you for being an exchange student.”



Neuroscience Returnee Advice



- 1) Plan as early as possible (apply early, save money early, purchase your flight early, exchange your currency early, apply to study abroad scholarships early)
- 2) Apply to the Gilman International Scholarship!
- 3) Check out [The Bruin Abroad](#) to check out blog posts of fellow returnees to check out their highlights/tips/sites to visit.

- 4) Research the country's weather for that season, pack appropriate clothes.
- 5) Bring with you a portable charger for your phone! Trust me, this will save you a lot of headache.
- 6) Travel light. It is much easier to get around this way and this gives you space to bring back goodies/souvenirs from your trip.
- 7) Resist the temptation to sleep in! Now is your time to explore, take full advantage of it.
- 8) Most importantly, soak it all in! Live in the moment, don't experience your entire study abroad experience behind a camera (take a mental snapshot instead :))



Lupita, Ireland
UCEAP Summer Physics
Summer 2019



Q&A Panel



Mary

Neuroscience

University of Padua, Fall



Calvin

Neuroscience

University of Glasgow, Summer



UCEAP: Psych & Cognitive Science, Padua (Italy)

- **Timeframe:** Spring Sem (FEB-JUL), Year
- **Credit:** Major/minor, foreign language progress
- **Highlights:**
 - Coursework in English alongside local and international students
 - Italian language study available
- **Sample Courses:**
 - Affective Neuroscience and Psychopathology
 - Neuropsychology of Aging
 - Neurology
 - Statistics for Brain and Cognitive Sciences



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