**Need to Know: Arts, Politics, Society & Space - UC Center London**

**Objective of the “Need to Know” Document**
The Need to Know 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 an EAP 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 EAP Self-Assessment. The best source of detailed program information is always the [UCEAP Program Guide](#) from the prior academic cycle. Because the program is administered jointly by UC and ACCENT, you are also encouraged to check out the [ACCENT website](#) for more info. If any concerns you have are not addressed on the UCEAP website, in the Program Guide or Need to Know document, please contact the BSA Adviser for this program.

**Adviser Contact Information**
For BSA Adviser name, email and drop-in advising hours, visit [http://studyabroad.berkeley.edu/contact/advising](http://studyabroad.berkeley.edu/contact/advising)

**An Important Note about the Program**
The London Fall Program is not an immersion program because you are living and studying with other UC students. If, you are interested in diverse coursework, studying at a British university, meeting Brits, or having more of an “immersion” study abroad experience, check out the [UCEAP English Universities](#) program and speak with the BSA UK Immersion Adviser

**Internships**
The internships are all entry-level positions and do not require previous experience or specific skills. These are not decision-making positions of responsibility but are an opportunity for students to learn more about the UK, work in the UK, and gain experience in their field of interest.

You will be emailed a Course Choice Form in mid-February from ACCENT. Follow the instructions and return it to the indicated email address by the stated deadline. An "Internship plus Workforce Course" will be one of the course choices. There is a limited number of internships available. The number of allowable internships is set by the UK government and changes annually. Due to the internships being potentially limited, students who choose the Internship elective will also need to select an alternative course in case they are not placed in an Internship.

The Internship application is due in April. Students will be informed of their internship placement in June; there may be a Skype interview prior to placement as well. There will be an additional program cost around £ 400 (~$600 USD). Also, all Internship students MUST obtain the Tier 4 Student Visa before departure from the US. The visa application fee is approximately £400 (~$600 USD) + postage. **All Internship students must be financially prepared to pay the Tier 4 visa application fee well before receiving their financial aid refund (if applicable) and final internship placement.**

If you are a financial aid student, these expenses will be factored into your semester EAP budget and financial aid package. We offer financial aid advising in 160 Stephens Hall. If you haven't already, we recommend that you come in to speak with one of our financial aid counselors to discuss your financial aid eligibility for your Fall 2016 study abroad program.

Non-US citizens requesting an Internship are required to submit an English Language Certificate that is no more than 2 years old, showing a level of B2 or above, to ACCENT in San Francisco ASAP. ETS tests (TOEFL) are not accepted. If you are unable to obtain the English Language Certificate, then you will not be able participate in the London Internship - this is a Visa regulation. [Click here for more information.](#)

**Travel Advisory**
You may not travel to or through the Republic of Ireland on your way to the United Kingdom. Do not book your flight on Aer Lingus, as it will make a stop in Dublin on its way to the U.K.

Due to lengthy Tier 4 visa processing times, travel after the UC term ends and before this EAP program begins is strongly discouraged for Internship students. Internship students should discuss any potential pre-program travel plans with the BSA Adviser. Additional instructions on travel and entry clearance will be provided in your UCEAP Pre-Departure Checklist, which will be available to you after you have been selected for the program.