

Deciding on the right program abroad can be challenging given the number of options available. This Program Planning Worksheet is meant to raise questions that can help you reflect on your personal, academic and professional priorities and goals for your experience abroad. Optionally, you can bring this completed sheet to drop-in advising at 160 Stephens Hall.

The When and the Where

When and how long

You can participate in more than one study abroad experience during your career at Berkeley.

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| Sophomore | Summer |
| Junior | Fall |
| Senior | Academic Year |
| Fifth Year | Spring |
| I'm flexible! | Calendar Year (Spring + Fall) |
| | I'm flexible! |

Region, Country, or City

What region(s) are you most interested in?

Note particular countries or cities of interest (*if any*)

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| Africa | ----- |
| Asia | ----- |
| Australia & Oceania | ----- |
| Central & South America | ----- |
| Europe | ----- |
| Middle East | ----- |
| North America & The Caribbean | ----- |

Making Yourself Comfortable

What type of physical environment do you prefer?

Who do you want your peers to be?

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| Urban setting | UC Berkeley students |
| College town atmosphere | UC Berkeley and other UC students |
| Small town | Other international students |
| Tropical | Mainly local students in my host country |
| Not very important to me | Not very important to me |

What kind of housing do you prefer?

How much interaction do you seek with the host culture?

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| With a host family | I want to integrate myself as much as possible |
| University housing | Some interaction |
| Private apartment | Not very important to me |
| Program-organized housing with other study abroad students | |
| Not very important to me | |

Oh right, and the classes!

Academic Requirements:

While abroad, I need to (check all that apply)

Satisfy major requirements

Satisfy breadth or general education requirements

Take courses for my general interest, or areas not readily available to me at Berkeley

Academic Structure:

Number the list below in the order that is most appealing to you, with 1 being the most appealing. Do not rank options that are not of interest to you.

----- Enroll in a foreign university and take courses alongside host country students (direct enrollment in the host university):

In English, and the language of the host country is also English

In English, and the language of the host country is not English

In the language of the host country if not English.

Note your language training below (AP exams, high school coursework, college course work, other)

----- Take courses in English designed for UC or international students

----- Take a UC Berkeley course abroad taught by a UC Berkeley faculty member

----- Study a foreign language intensively

----- Explore a specific field of study: -----

----- Conduct research or field work abroad

----- Complete a program-arranged internship in addition to classes

The bottom line \$\$\$

Are you a financial aid recipient (includes grants, scholarships, and loans)?

Yes

No

Do you pay non-resident tuition at UC Berkeley?

Yes

No

Program costs can differ widely depending on the length of a program, the cost of living at a specific location, program fees, etc. Which statement best describes your opinion on the cost of a program?

I want to go on a program that is comparable or less expensive than a term at UC Berkeley

I am willing to consider a program that is more expensive than a term at UC Berkeley

I am willing to consider a program that is more expensive than a term at UC Berkeley, if I can secure additional funding through financial aid, additional scholarships, or my family and friends.

Hey, you forgot...

List factors below that are important to you and were not covered in other areas of the worksheet.

