Need to Know:

Multisite: Australia & Solomon Islands

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 Program Self-Assessment. The best source of detailed program information is always the UCEAP Program Guide from the prior academic cycle. 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.

Advisor Contact Information
For BSA Adviser name, email and drop-in advising hours, visit http://studyabroad.berkeley.edu/contact/advising

NEW! Pacific Island Environmental & Community Health
A new 11-week multisite program in Pacific Island Environmental & Community Health will be offered in Brisbane, Australia and Honiara, Solomon Islands starting spring 2017.

The program will focus on areas of marine science, environmental studies, sustainability, community health and cultural studies.

Students the program at University of Queensland in Brisbane, Australia for 6 weeks of coursework and move to the Solomon Islands for an additional 5 weeks of study in at SINU (Solomon Islands National University) in Honiara, Solomon Islands. During the five weeks’ time in the Solomon Islands, students will be conducting field studies in additional locations outside of the capital.

Students on the program will be traveling to remote communities where there may not be many modern facilities students are used to. It is important that applicants are “physically fit, able to swim, and should not have serious medical conditions that require on-going medical supervision.”

Space Limitations
This program is an impacted option. For the spring 2017 program, Berkeley has been granted 4 spaces. It is possible that more students can be accommodated if other UC campuses do not fill all their allotted spots.

Students interested in this option are highly encouraged to speak with the adviser prior to applying. You may be able to obtain permission to apply to a back-up choice.

Because this program is impacted, applicants need to think very carefully whether this program is the right fit.

The selection criteria we will use for this program include:
- Student’s coursework background and training in relevant areas
- Whether the student intend to take courses for major related requirements abroad
- GPA
- Class Standing
- Statement of Purpose: priority will be given to students who successfully convey why the Environmental & Community Health program in particular is a good fit for them and how the program will benefit them academically, professionally, and/or personally.

Please check UCEAP’s Program Page for the most up-to-date information.