

India

UCEAP Advising Notes

Objective of the Advising Notes Document

This 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 the Advising Notes 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/advising>

International Summer School, Jamia Millia Islamia University (Summer)

The summer program at Jamia Millia Islamia University in Delhi brings Indian and international students together to attend courses and discussions that explore Indian politics, economics, history, and sociology. The first four weeks are spent in Delhi, the nation's largest city and national capital with majestic monuments, diverse places of worship, and many museums. For the final two-weeks of the program, students participate in community field service with the relief organization [Ritinjali](#) in a rural setting in Rajasthan; undertake a case study on a topic of your choice, exploring gender studies, local traditions and social practices, or activities that empower and give voice to women and children. This program is 6 weeks long, from late-June to mid-August. Students earn 8 units. To learn more about the program, please visit the website for the [International Summer School at Jamia Millia Islamia University](#).

Semester in Mumbai with Internship (Fall)

Students first take an intensive class taught by a UC faculty member that introduces you to the India and the role that Mumbai plays today. The introductory course is followed by a two-month internship in which you contribute to an organization or business in a full-time position organized by the [Academic Internship Council](#) (AIC). Internship assignments correspond to your academic and career interests, whether in education, poverty reduction, energy, local business or the environment. Students attend classes with UC students only. This is one of two fall semester UCEAP options in India.

Curriculum

Universities in India are based on British higher education in structure and method. For some courses, this may be more lecture-based instruction requiring effective note taking of lectures and the ability to demonstrate understanding of material based solely on lectures. Students must be prepared to assume more responsibility and independence in completing readings, be assessed for a course through a single paper or exam, and be able to seek out assistance from instructors and Indian students.

Internships, Research and Independent Study

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This program includes a required community service course. Internships or independent study for academic credit are not possible in this program.

Semester in Mumbai with Internship

Internship is a major component of the program. Additional internships, research, or independent study are not possible. All internships are secured pre-departure in collaboration with [AIC](#).

Visa and Entry Clearance

Due to the late issuance of entry clearance documents and the time required for visa application processing, travel after the UC term ends and before the official program start date is not recommended.

Anti-Malarial Medications

Anti-malarial medications are covered by your EAP insurance. Any drug categorized and prescribed as an anti-malarial is covered, provided they are ordered and purchased within the plan terms (14 days before the official start of the program). Vaccinations and/or any other medication linked to travel advice are not covered. UCEAP will send you more information before the start date of the program.

Special Demands of the Program

Health and safety remain primary issues of concern for study in India, particularly security and motor traffic. Students should review the Program Guide to familiarize themselves with risks associated with participation on the program.

Students should familiarize themselves with the role of race, gender, sexuality, and religion while studying in India, and develop appropriate expectations according to personal backgrounds and self-identification. Students should be prepared for the local environment and immediate impact of different gender relationships, especially on female students.

Given the special demands of the program, it is highly recommended that applicants meet with the BSA adviser prior to submitting an application.