

Program Introduction



Introductions



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California & UCs

- Popular destination
- Sunny and mild weather
- Multicultural
- Home to Silicon Valley,
Hollywood, lots natural scenery



At a Glance: UC Berkeley

#1

#1 Public University

- top scholars
- Social activism
- Innovation
- Diversity



Birth of UCB

- Founded 1868

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Nobel Prizes

- Total Nobel Prizes held by the Berkeley alumni

What is BISP?

- Semester or year-long study abroad program
- Open to visiting bachelor's and master's students
- Departments: Social sciences, Arts & Humanities, Physical Sciences, & Biological Sciences
- Immersive academic experience with support



BISP Mission

To connect the brilliance of Berkeley
to students around the world.

We provide an immersive study
abroad opportunity that enriches the
academic and intercultural experience
for all.

You Are Welcome Here.



Coursework

- 75+ departments; 1000+ classes
- Space-availability basis
- Full time: 12+ units of enrollment
- Immersive academic experience



Participating Departments: Social Sciences

- African American Studies
- American Studies
- Anthropology
- Asian American Studies
- Chicano/Latino Studies
- Demography
- Development Practice
- Economics
- Environmental Economics and Policy
- Ethnic Studies
- Gender and Women's Studies
- Geography
- Global Studies
 - Asian Studies
 - Latin American Studies
 - Middle Eastern Studies
- History
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- International and Area Studies
- Legal Studies
- LGBT Studies
- Linguistics
- Native American Studies
- Political Economy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology

Participating Departments: Arts & Humanities

- Ancient Greek and Roman Studies
- Art Practice
- Buddhist Studies
- Celtic Studies
- Chinese
- College Writing Program
- Comparative Literature
- Dutch Studies
- East Asian Languages & Cultures
- English
- Film and Media
- French
- German
- Greek
- History of Art
- Italian Studies
- Japanese
- Jewish Studies
- Korean
- Latin
- Letters & Science
- Mongolian
- Music
- Near Eastern Studies (Arabic, Cuneiform, Egyptian, Hebrew, Persian, Semitics, Turkish)
- Philosophy
- Portuguese
- Rhetoric
- Scandinavian (Danish, Finnish, Icelandic, Norwegian, Norse, Swedish)
- Slavic Languages and Literatures (Armenian, Bosnian, Croatian, Czech, Hungarian, Polish, Russian, Serbian)
- South and Southeast Asian Studies (Bengali, Burmese, Filipino, Hindi-Urdu, Khmer, Malay/Indonesian, Punjabi, Sanskrit, Tamil, Thai, Vietnamese)
- South Asian Studies
- Spanish
- Theater, Dance, & Performance Studies
- Tibetan
- Yiddish Studies

Participating Departments: Physical & Biological Sciences

- Astronomy
- Chemistry/Chemical Engineering
- Earth and Planetary Science
- Energy and Resources
- Environmental Science, Policy & Management
- Industrial Engineering
- Integrative Biology
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Molecular and Cell Biology
- Nutritional Science and Toxicology
- Physics
- Plant and Microbial Biology
- Statistics

BISP Special Focus Program

- Climate Change and the Environment
- Current and Historical Politics
- Education, Society, and the Student
- Global Economies and Entrepreneurship
- Health and Society
- Inequalities and Social Justice
- Language and Culture
- Media, Communication, and Storytelling



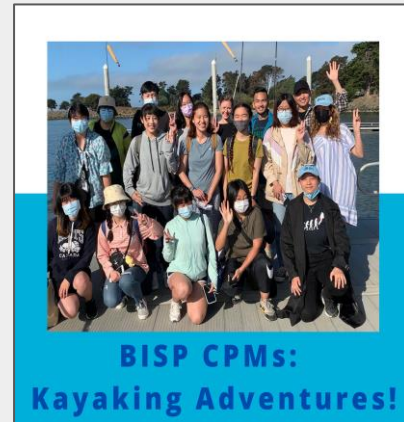
Berkeley Classes



- Most have 100-400 students
- Mix of lecture, discussion, and/or lab
- GSI (Graduate Student Instructors)
- Assignments and grading vary

Building Community

- Advising support
- Welcome & Orientation activities
- Cultural Peer Mentors (CPMs)
- Gym (Recreational Sports Facility)
- 1000+ Student Clubs & Organizations



Housing

- Off-campus, nearby
- Private apartments
- Dorm-style rentals
- Homestay



Student Experiences

**Hemanshi,
Ashoka University**



“Join clubs, and attend the free events, really let yourself be immersed in the Berkeley experience.”

**Dag-Olai,
Oslo Metropolitan University**



“Go to game days and taco Tuesdays.”

**Yasmin,
Pontifícia Universidade
Católica do Paraná**



“The first weeks can be overwhelming but... get involved... Talk with different groups in Sproul Plaza!”

Meet Hemanshi: Ashoka/BISP Student



1. Quirky Berkeley and Superstitions
2. Cultural Peer Mentors
3. Berkeley Favorites

Application Process

- Submit an application
 - Spring: September-October
 - Fall: February-May
- Invitation to interview
- Complete next steps to prepare for arrival



Costs (fall 2024)

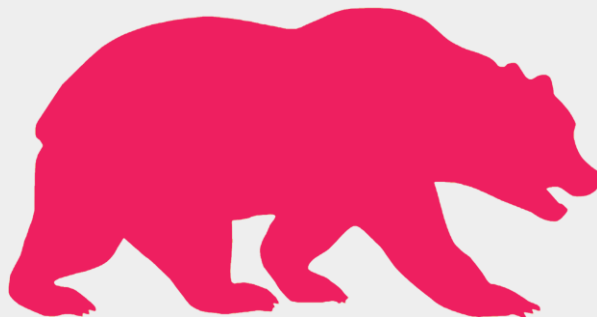
Program Application Fee	\$100
International Service Fee	\$125
Health Insurance Fee	\$900
Tuition	\$750/unit
Registration Fee	\$250
Lab Fee (if applicable)	\$100 per lab course
Living Expenses (housing + food)*	\$11,250
TOTAL:	\$21,625 per semester



Program Calendar

Fall 2024

- Week+ of Welcome | August 21-27
- Classes begin | August 28
- Final exams | Dec 16-20



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