STUDY ABROAD INFO SESSION

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Welcome to the UCL Study Abroad Programme!
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**UCL Study Abroad Programme**

* Spend a term/year abroad studying at one of UCL’s partner institutions as part of your UCL degree

- 600+ undergraduate students per year
- Erasmus+ (European) and Worldwide placements
- 36 different countries
Who can study abroad?

- All Modern language degree students
- You must be enrolled on a programme that includes a period of study abroad
- If you intend to ‘switch’ onto the version of your programme that includes study abroad, is this possible?

If in doubt, check with your department
Where could I go?

Destinations vary between degree programmes - not all exchanges are open to all departments.

You are only able to apply for exchanges that are open to your department.

Consult the ‘Options Guide’ on the UCL Study Abroad website for confirmation of available exchanges for your department.

Options within each department can change each year - new exchanges may be added or existing options closed down.
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**When do I go?**

- **Determined by your degree programme**
  
  You are only able to study abroad in the academic year stipulated by your programme.

- **Typically year 3 of a 4-year programme**
  
  There are some exceptions! Check with your department if you are unsure.

- **Typically a full academic year**
  
  With Christmas and vacation times to travel, or come home to see family and friends!

- **Very few one-term only options available**
  
  Some programmes only include the option to study abroad for one semester, but these are rare.
What do I study when abroad?

*Study abroad is not a holiday!*

- Consider adjustment to different teaching methods
- You will complete a full course load of modules and courses whilst abroad
- You will complete all assessment for those modules at your host institution
- Speak to your Study Abroad Tutor for confirmation of how your year abroad is weighted
Financial matters – tuition fees

UK-EU Fee Payers

• You will pay 15% of annual tuition fee rate paid to UCL during your year abroad
• No tuition fees are paid to Host Institution
• If you go abroad for just one semester, you will pay the same UCL fees as in previous years

Overseas Fee Payers

• You will pay 50% of annual tuition fee rate paid to UCL during the year abroad
• No tuition fees are paid to Host Institution
• If you go abroad for just one semester, you will pay the same UCL fees as in previous years
Financial matters – financial support

• You remain eligible for all state financial support (tuition and maintenance) for your year abroad

• The amount awarded to you will be different to previous years in London

• You remain eligible for UCL financial support from the Student Funding Office- UCL Bursaries, Access to Learning Fund, Financial Assistance Fund
Making Your Decision
Where Can I Go?

UCI has exchange agreements with over 350 institutions in 40 countries across five continents, including all of the world’s top 100 universities. Where you can study abroad will depend on your programme of study at UCI.

While the International Office, IASoP, the SEAS, and students studying certain degree programmes in AISC, it is not possible to study abroad at a university with which UCI has no formal exchange.

Eligibility

To participate in the Study Abroad programmes, your department must have a study abroad component.

Options guide

Use the options guide to find out what exchanges are available for your department for 2019/20.

Making a decision

Before applying, we suggest you do thorough, independent research into the options available to you.

Short-term opportunities

If your programme does not have the option to study abroad, you may wish to consider other short-term study options during your exchange.

Information for graduates

Information for students at graduate level who are considering studying abroad.

Types of exchanges

There are broadly three different types of exchange programme at UCI, though not all of these will be available to everyone.

Erasmus Programme

Find out more about the Erasmus programme at UCI. We currently have links with over 415 Erasmus partner institutions.
Study Abroad costs

• Realistic budgeting for your year abroad

• Part-time work may be an option, but there will be limits on work if you require a Visa whilst abroad

• Consider registration, enrolment fees, Orientation fees - not all universities will charge these but do your research

• Some countries require evidence of funds at the point of application for Visa
Academic Considerations

• How is the university viewed in your field of study?

• A well-known university may not be the best choice for you—prestige isn’t everything!

• Do the modules that would be available interest you?

• Consider class size, assessment and teaching methods, which may be very different to UCL

• Language of instruction
Accommodation

*Accommodation is not guaranteed for all exchanges*

- University Halls or house share?
- Would you be happy to share a room?
- How far away do you want to live from your university or the town/city centre?
- What is your budget for accommodation?
What support will I get from UCL?

- **Study Abroad Preparation programme**
  - Essentials Session
  - Speak to Study Abroad Returners
  - Preparation Moodle Course
  - Study Abroad Handbook
  - Study Abroad Facebook page and Instagram

- **Support from Study Abroad Team**

- **Academic Guidance from departmental Study Abroad Tutor**

- **All UCL Student Support and Wellbeing services**
Making your Application
Application Process - Overview

Confirm your choices, liaise with your Study Abroad Tutor

Internal Selection Process and Allocation of your placement

Formal Application to your host institution

Depart!
Eligibility Criteria

- You must be enrolled on correct programme
- You must have the full support of your academic department
- Good academic standing - maintaining a 2:1 average
- Committed to the programme
- Good Ambassador for UCL!
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## How do I apply?

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If you are a ‘Group 1’ student...

Apply through your department

- SSEES
- SELCS
- Pharmacy
- Economics
- Bartlett- Planning
- ESPS
- Slade School
- History
- IOE
- Law
- Greek and Latin
- Hebrew and Jewish Studies
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Group 1 application process

1) Liaise with UCL Department
Follow your Study Abroad Tutor’s guidance and internal application process

Your departmental Study Abroad tutor will make allocations

2) Formal Application to host university
Allow adequate time to complete this to the best of your ability. The host institution and your department will assist you through this process
If you are a ‘Group 2’ student...

Apply through the Study Abroad Team

All other departments
Group 2 application process

1) Part 1: Approval to Study Abroad
Meet with your Study Abroad Tutor to confirm your 3 choices. Submit these via Portico. Your tutor will log onto Portico and approve these choices

2) Part 2: Application to Study Abroad
Once choices have been approved, the online application will become available for you to complete

   Study Abroad Team/your department assess applications and make allocations

3) Formal Application to host university
Allow adequate time to complete this to the best of your ability. The host institution and the Study Abroad Team will assist you through this process
How is my application assessed?

• Academic performance using the grade average from your first year

• CV

• Application questions, asking about all 3 institution choices

• Assessing Panel assign an overall score to your application
## Application Timeframe

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| **15 October 2018**   | • Study Abroad Fair  
                       | • Options Guide published on Study Abroad website                      |
| **22 October 2018**   | • Portico Application Portal Launch  
                       | • Submit your three choices online                                     |
| **12 November 2018, 4pm (UK time)** | • Part 1 (Approval) stage must be complete                      |
| **19 November 2018, 4pm (UK time)** | • Part 2 (Approval) stage must be complete                      |
| **January 2019**      | • Study Abroad Team will inform you of your allocation                |
| **February 2019**     | • Complete your formal application to your host institution            |
| **March 2019 onwards** | • Study Abroad Preparation Programme  
                       | • Your department’s Pre-Departure requirements and events              |
| **July 2019 onwards** | • Depart for your placement abroad!                                  |
Next steps...

- Study Abroad Fair- Monday 15 October 2018
- Options Guide published on 15 October 2018
- Research each university choice extensively
  - Consider university life
  - Consider modules available
  - Consider the location
- Arrange to meet with your Study Abroad Tutor to discuss your choices (if applicable)
- Complete your application!
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In addition to Study Abroad, check out our..

Short-Term Global Opportunities

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