

Study Abroad for IDS Majors



LOCATIONS

IDS students may fulfill major requirements abroad and are highly encouraged to take courses in developing countries in order to complement their major coursework with real-life experience. Here are a few sample UCEAP programs:

- University of Ghana, Legon (Ghana)
- Middle East Studies, Amman (Jordan)
- Pontifical Catholic Univ. of Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)
- Thammasat University (Thailand)

ACADEMIC PLANNING



REVIEW

your remaining UCLA degree requirements (GE, major, minor, foreign language, & upper division units).



SEARCH

UCEAP sample pre-approved programs on the [IDS website](#) and identify options.



DISCUSS

Email course descriptions to IDS office for pre-approval for selected courses.



PETITION

with your academic advisors to apply UCEAP course credit toward your degree requirements upon return.

BEFORE GOING ABROAD

AFTER RETURNING

IDS ABROAD

UCEAP COURSES MAY BE APPLIED TOWARD:

• Major and Minor Courses

Preparatory courses: must be lower division
Upper Division: must be ≥ 4 units, upper division
Petition and approval required & must be taken for letter grade

• Foreign Language Courses

UCEAP courses must follow guidelines set by the applicable UCLA language department. Discuss with applicable language department.

OTHER NOTES

- To be pre-approved, all courses must focus on international development theories and topics and can come from all departments (i.e., Sociology, Anthropology, etc.). Core courses must cover the same material as UCLA courses.
- Students are not restricted to taking courses only in their major abroad.
- At least 6 UD courses must be taken at UCLA toward the IDS major.
- UCLA Summer Travel Study programs provide direct UCLA credit. No need to petition these courses and they are approved for IDS Regional requirement. More info at ieo.ucla.edu/travelstudy.
- Some programs may have internship options. Here are a sample few:
 - Global Studies, Geneva (Switzerland)
 - Thammasat University (Thailand)

TERMS ABROAD

Study abroad is possible as early as summer after your first year, as late as summer after your last year.

Consider if any UCLA classes are only offered in specific terms at UCLA (INTL DV 110, M120, 130, 140 and 191).

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