Study Abroad for Political Science Majors

LOCATIONS
In addition to UCLA Summer Travel Study offered through the Political Science Department, students can find major-related courses in 40 locations around the world. Here are a sample few from our UCEAP programs:

- Yonsei University (Korea)
- Sciences Po Paris or Reims (France)
- Fudan University (China)
- European Studies (Germany)
- UC Center Rome (Italy)
- Human Rights and Cultural Memory (Argentina & Chile)

ACADEMIC PLANNING

1 REVIEW
Review your remaining UCLA degree requirements (GE, pre-major, major, minor, foreign language, & upper division units).

2 SEARCH
Search UCEAP courses and identify options you think are comparable to your UCLA degree requirements.

3 DISCUSS
Complete the Academic Planning Form (APF). Discuss it with your UCLA academic advisor(s). Seek feedback on likelihood of UCEAP courses fulfilling degree requirements.

4 PETITION
Petition with your academic advisors (if needed) to apply UCEAP course credit toward your degree requirements.

BEFORE GOING ABROAD

POLITICAL SCIENCE ABROAD

GUIDELINES FOR UCEAP COURSES
Generally, the UCLA Political Science Department can accept any UCEAP course designated as “Political Science” once transferred from abroad.

Petitioning and Pre-approvals
When choosing UCEAP courses, students are encouraged to submit a petition to the Political Science Department for pre-approval. This should be done as soon as possible when determining if a specific course can be applied towards major requirements.

UCEAP courses may be applied toward...
- Concentration Field, Distribution Field, or Electives
  Focusing on these areas is the simplest way to study abroad in your major. Courses must be at least 4 units, upper division, and taken for a letter grade.

  When petitioning for a field area (Theory, International Relations, American Politics, Comparative Politics, Methods and Models, or Race, Ethnicity and Politics), students must submit a syllabus and, where possible, topic, texts, and instructor background.

OTHER NOTES
- A maximum of 2 courses outside the UCLA Political Science Department may be applied to the upper-division major requirements.
- Students are not required to identify courses that match the content of those offered by the UCLA Political Science department.
- Students are not restricted to taking courses abroad only in their major. Consider coursework to satisfy GE, minor, foreign language, & upper division unit requirements.

TERMS ABROAD

Study abroad is possible as early as summer after your first year, as late as summer after your last year, and anywhere in between. Start planning now to determine which term is best for you!

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