

## **Q&A: Education Abroad**

### **Are there specific majors that can't study abroad?**

All majors can study abroad.

### **What does UCEAP mean ?**

University of California Education Abroad Program.

### **Who can I talk to/email if I want to plan my courses and 4yr plan? I really want to include study abroad, but I want to know how I incorporate it into my schedule**

Start with your academic advisor. Study abroad advisors can help you identify how to find courses.

### **How do major classes work in study abroad? Is an entire series like physics completed abroad??**

In the summer we offer a 1 year Physics track.

### **When studying abroad, do you travel with a group or by yourself? Are all the classes online based?**

You travel on your own but may be with other UC students or on your own for a program.

### **Does UCR offer summer internships abroad?**

Yes there are some.

### **Is my UCR academic advisor specific to my major?**

Yes. You will meet with your academic advisor during Highlander Orientation this summer.

### **If we study abroad, do we have to know the language? like if I go to Italy, should I know Italian?**

It will depend on the program. Many programs are taught in English and will not have a language requirement. But it depends on the program.

### **When is it an appropriate time to go study abroad?**

It will depend on your study plan. You want to work this out with your academic advisor.

### **Because the study abroad program is so small in percentage is it likely that you will be the only UCR student in your international country of choice?**

It is possible depending on the location.

### **How many different countries are offered in the FLEAP program?**

It changes every year.

Depends on what the faculty offer. It will vary every summer.

### **Does everyone who applies for study abroad get to do it?**

No. However we do our best to stir students to programs that they are eligible for so we can accept all students.

**When abroad are there opportunities to connect with other UCEAP students from different UC campuses?**

Yes definitely!

**Where do students stay? (ie. host families, hostels, etc.)**

Host families, dorms, hotels, apartments. It depends on the program.

**Are specific majors only offered at certain study abroad locations?**

It depends on the program Some are major-specific and others are more broad.

**Do units earned in UCEAP and FLEAP affect GPA?**

Yes because it is UC coursework

**Can undocumented students without a visa apply ?**

Currently undocumented student cannot go abroad. However we do have domestic program options.

**Where can you find scholarships for the different programs?**

ea.ucr.edu

**What are the additional costs to studying abroad than studying at the UCR campus? (ie. flights)**

It depends on the program, but housing, airfare, and other pre-departure costs and program/admin costs.

**How exactly does financial aid work?**

Financial aid applies as it normally would here at UCR. Depending on the program, your program costs might be more or less than your fin aid pkg.

**What domestic locations are available?**

I have about 15 states you can go to.

**How long do you go abroad?**

From one week to a year. Up to you!

**Can anyone do the domestic program?**

Yes.

**So FLEAP is only during the summer?**

Yes.

**Do you need to apply for the scholarships? and are they directed towards a specific program?**

No you do not need to apply for scholarships; however, they are HIGHLY recommended. We encourage you to always start saving and applying for scholarships. Some may be program-specific. Please check out our webpage [ea.ucr.edu](http://ea.ucr.edu)

**About how many professors lead FLEAP programs each summer?**

It changes every year based on faculty interest & availability

**When can we begin studying abroad?**

The summer after your freshman year

**Can you study abroad during the school year?**

Yes. Summer through spring

**Is there a limit on how many times students can go study abroad?**

No

**Are the classes online or in a classroom for studying abroad?**

It depends but it may be a mix. Just like at UCR.

**Will we still be on track for credits if we study abroad?**

Yes you can remain on track. You meet with your academic advisor as part of the application process to see how the course fit into your degree.

**If I have relatives I can stay with in the country where I study abroad, would that be ok?**

It depends on the program, but we have had students able to stay with friends/relatives.

**Can you get a part time job while studying abroad?**

It might be possible, but students would have to seek out these opportunities on their own.

**Is the course load the same for a student if they were to study abroad rather than at the UCR campus?**

it will depend on the program.

**If I have veteran dependent tuition waiver does that apply to study abroad?**

It would only be applied to the UCR tuition/costs, not the abroad-related fees.

**Is it mandatory to live in the housing the program provides? Or students can find the housing themselves?**

It depends on the program, the housing options.

**Does studying abroad mean we would be absent from UCR for a whole year, or can I go for a couple of months?**

Students can go as little as one week to a year. It's up to you and your academic plan.

**Do people have to be in the same kind of major to go study abroad at the same place?**

no. Some programs may have a variety of majors participating.

**How do I know who my financial aid advisor is?**

You should be able to see who this is in your R'Web. or just contact directly the fin aid office

**Do you choose your classes before you go where you study abroad?**

Yes, but like at UCR, always have a backup plan in case your first choices are not available.

yes and no. you plan on what you want to take and may sign up for course once on site.

**Can you apply as a freshman to study abroad during your junior year?**

No you would apply during your sophomore year

**Where can I find information about the different study abroad programs?**

<https://ucr-horizons.symplicity.com>

**When you apply to study abroad, do you only apply to one program or is it open to all?**

You can only apply to one program per term.

**Is it easy to back out of a program you've been accepted to if you change your mind?**

Yes.

**Can we stay in the same dorm/hotel as someone else who is also studying abroad?**

It might be possible. It depends.

**Are there classes offered for theater students?**

There are classes for any major.

**Do you have to go abroad as your major or can you go to learn something new? For example a business major going to learn about art**

Yes you can do both or something major specific

**Where are study abroad classes held?**

It depends on the program.

**We could even go study abroad as a sophomore ?**

Yes

**How will I know if the FLEAP or UCEAP program I am looking at will fulfill the credits I need to graduate?**

You must consult with your UCR academic advisor after researching the courses abroad.

**I saw a Teaching English study abroad program available last year— but if I'm a bio major, will I still be able to go ?**

Yes, it depends on your academic plan. Work with your academic advisor to see when would be the best term for you to go abroad.

**Can you study abroad more than once?**

Yes.