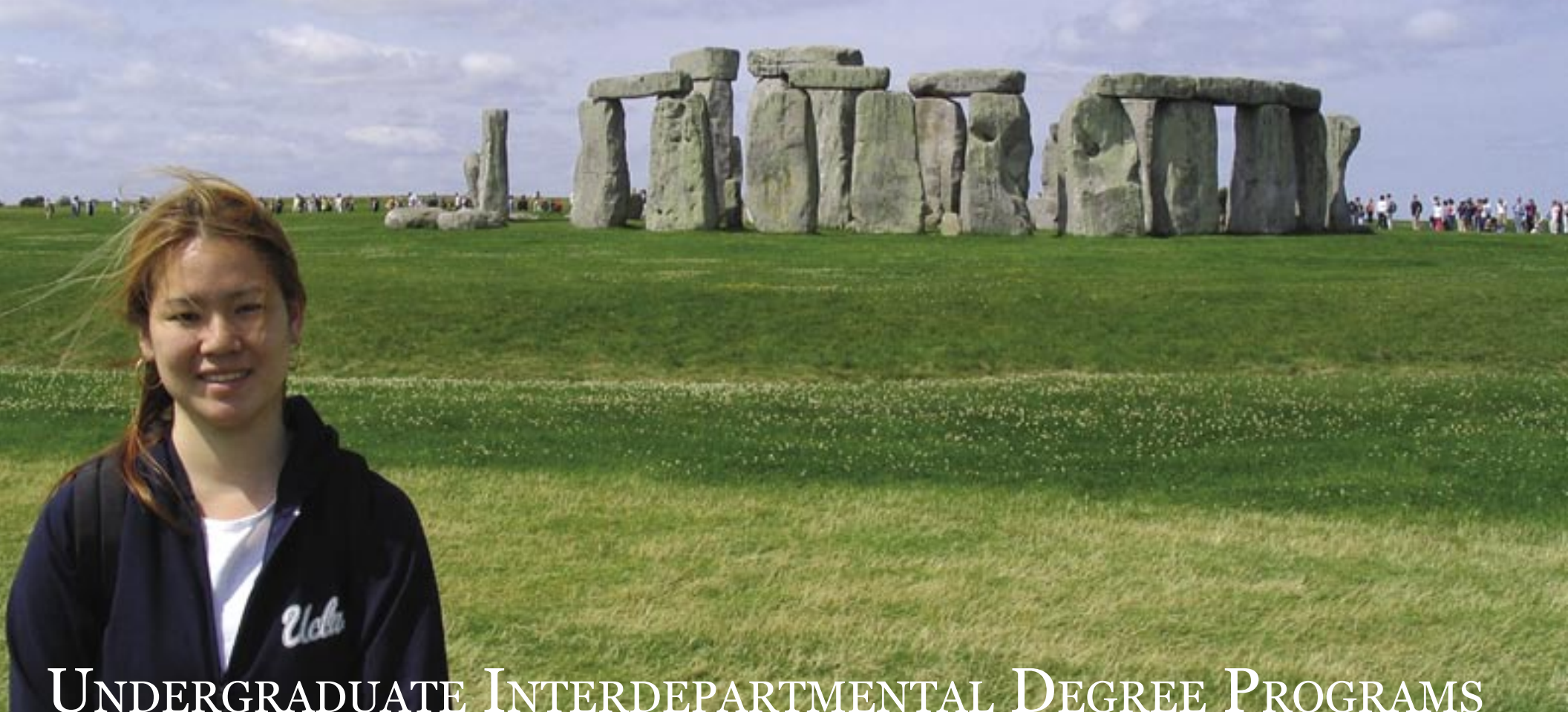




UCLA INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE
Interdepartmental Degree Programs

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES



UNDERGRADUATE INTERDEPARTMENTAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

REGIONAL IDPs

African Studies Minor

The African Studies minor allows students to augment their major with a concentrated study of Africa and its issues. It is primarily designed for students who plan to live and work in Africa or who are interested in government and public service careers involving African Affairs. Students who plan to pursue graduate work in the field of African Studies are also encouraged to add the minor to their major field of study.

With over 30 faculty members working in this area from various disciplines – such as Anthropology, Geography, History, Political Science, and World Arts and Cultures – students have many opportunities to customize their program of study.

East Asian Studies Major

With its ancient cultures, growing economies, technological progress, and increasingly prominent role in global affairs, East Asia is one of the most important and dynamic regions of the world today.

The East Asian Studies major, an interdisciplinary area studies program, is designed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of East Asia from historical and contemporary vantage points. Courses on China, Japan, and Korea allow majors to study regional phenomena from various national perspectives, while comparative or pan-East Asian coursework provides an in-depth knowledge of the region as a whole.

European Studies Major

The European Studies major equips students to appreciate the richness of European cultures, societies, and languages that are fundamental to the understanding of modern Europe. The program provides the opportunity to study this region from the vantage points of several disciplines in the humanities and social sciences.

The major aims at breaking down the traditional distinctions between the eastern and western blocs in light of important internal and global transformations pertaining to cultural, economic, political, and social structures that are happening in Europe today.

Latin American Studies Major and Minor

The Latin American Studies undergraduate BA program offers students at UCLA a unique opportunity to focus their education on a vast and important region of the world known as Latin America. The major and minor degree program enables students to develop interdisciplinary courses of study suited to their particular interests and to prepare for a wide variety of careers involving Latin America. UCLA's distinguished faculty, extensive resources, and ideal location in Los Angeles make it a national and international center for the study of Latin America.



Middle Eastern & North African Studies Major and Minor

The major and minor in Middle Eastern and North African Studies offer in-depth knowledge and specialized study of this geographic region, its peoples, and its cultures from the end of antiquity to the present. The program also explores the role and influence of this rich cultural heritage in the U.S. A strong foundation in History is complemented by a wide selection of courses ranging from Political Science, Sociology, and Public Health to Geography, Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, and Art History.

The degree serves as an ideal preparation for those who intend to pursue graduate study, who wish to live in the region, or who plan to work with people of Middle Eastern and North African heritage.

South Asian Studies Minor

The minor in South Asian Studies seeks, through multidisciplinary approaches, to address historical and contemporary issues of South Asia, which is comprised of Sri Lanka, India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh, and the Maldives, and accounts for nearly 1.5 billion people. Studying South Asia as a region exposes students to the rich historical, cultural, and religious diversity of a major center of civilization.

South Asia is the birthplace of half of the world's religions, including Buddhism, Hinduism, Sikhism, and Jainism. India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh together have more Muslims than the Middle East, and South Asian Islam, interacting with the other faiths of the subcontinent, has seen an efflorescence of philosophy, theology, poetry, and art. South Asia also has a growing importance as a regional power, a contributor to world literature and film, and a seedbed for philosophy and social activism.

Southeast Asian Studies Major and Minor

The Southeast Asian Studies major and minor approach Southeast Asia as a region with deep local particularities and trans-regional engagements. This includes the study of Burma, Thailand, Cambodia, Laos, Singapore, Vietnam, Malaysia, Indonesia, the Philippines, Brunei, and East Timor. Historically, the people of Southeast Asia have been engaged with each other as well as with India and China, the Middle East, Europe, and the Americas and within global contexts of economics, politics, migration, and communications.

The study of the region speaks powerfully to critical issues across many disciplines, addressing major concerns in the humanities, social sciences, arts, business, the professions, government policy, and international affairs.



THEMATIC IDPs

Global Studies Major and Minor

Global Studies provides UCLA undergraduates with a rigorous interdisciplinary education in the principal issues confronting today's globalized world. Students are not only given the tools to understand global relations, they are also empowered to shape their world as the next generation of global leaders in business, education, government, and the non-profit sector.

The curriculum focuses on three thematic pillars: *Culture and Society*; *Governance and Conflict*; and *Markets*.

These pillars capture the multifaceted interconnections that increasingly define the world we live in — among nation-states,

international institutions, non-governmental organizations, and ethnic, cultural and religious groups. Global Studies examines the ways in which people across the globe are affected by an unprecedented array of linkages that defy geographic and political boundaries. Global Studies draws on insights from disciplines across the humanities and social sciences to give students the theoretical and methodological skills and the knowledge base necessary to understand this complex and rapidly changing world.

Global Studies students can participate in a summer Global Learning Institute at one of several strategic locations around the world. These study abroad programs help students see first hand

— through international living, internships, and field trips, as well as classroom learning — how the issues addressed in the Global Studies core curriculum play out around the world in places with distinctive histories and cultures.

Highly motivated, research-oriented students are especially encouraged to pursue the Global Studies major, which requires the completion of a substantial piece of original research (35-50 pages of text) under the guidance of a faculty mentor during their senior year. Global Studies majors should expect to work extensively on the program in both their junior and senior years, as well as in the summer between these two years.

Central topics of interest to Global Studies students include:

- » International Migration, Mixed Cultures and Multiple Identities;
- » The Changing Organization and Institutions of Global Politics;
- » The Globalization of Production and International Flows of Goods, Services and Capital;
- » The Distribution of Wealth in the Global Economy;
- » Civil War, Terrorism and International Security Beyond Traditional Warfare;
- » Global Media, Entertainment and Communication



International Development Studies Major

The International Development Studies major offers an interdisciplinary study of the critical issues of the developing world – issues such as poverty, human rights, global health, civil war, economic growth, and global inequality.

The major is designed for students who want to gain a deeper understanding of these problems, and to think critically about solutions to them.

We focus on the developing countries of Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Latin America, and Eastern Europe.

Students who are interested in careers requiring an understanding of the diverse experiences of the developing world may be especially interested in the IDS major. Our program draws from a wide range of disciplines, including Anthropology, Economics, Geography, History, Political Science, Public Health, Sociology, and Women's Studies.

We strongly encourage (but do not require) field experience: most of our students spend a quarter or more traveling, studying, and working in the developing world. Others choose to intern in a local, national, or international development organization.

Common topics of concern to students in International Development Studies major include:

- » Global Poverty and Inequality
- » Civil War and Political Violence
- » Human Rights Issues
- » Foreign Aid and International Institutions
- » Health and Health Services
- » Food Security and Agricultural Development
- » Natural Resources and Sustainable Development
- » Political Stability and Democratization
- » The Survival of Indigenous Societies
- » Theories of Economic Development



GRADUATE INTERDEPARTMENTAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

African Studies M.A.

The intellectual objective of the African Studies M.A. Program (M.A.A.S) is to provide graduate students an opportunity to engage in intensive study and research on Africa on an interdisciplinary basis. The program offers African Area courses in a wide range of disciplines, including the fine arts, humanities, social sciences, and some professional fields. While the M.A.A.S. is not a professional degree, students may enroll in courses in several professional schools on campus. An articulated degree program is also offered whereby a student can work sequentially for the M.A. in African Studies and the Master in Public Health.

Academic flexibility draws many students to the program. Because there are more than 50 faculty members with an African interest and experience in approximately 30 disciplines, students have multiple options to design individual programs suited to their specific interests. According to a recent survey, 50% of the program graduates continue studying at the post-graduate level, about 20% are employed in higher education, and a significant percentage work in international or foreign organizations in numerous countries.

East Asian Studies M.A.

For its students, the M.A. degree in East Asian Studies has been a springboard to careers of all sorts. A flexible, interdisciplinary program, East Asian Studies permits students to choose from a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate courses in the social sciences and humanities, tailoring their coursework to their interests and needs.

While students are normally expected to choose one country (China, Japan, or Korea) as a focus of their work, the strength of the program is the access it provides to an understanding of regional and global ties that characterize East Asia today. Besides taking content courses and advanced language courses in their own area of concentration, students are encouraged to explore offerings on other areas of Asia, on theory and methodology in the study of East Asia, and on East Asia's place in the present world order.

In many cases, the M.A. degree in East Asian Studies is suitable for those who seek to develop a general range of knowledge of the area in preparation for careers in journalism, business, law, government service, public health, or secondary school education, or as a first step toward more advanced graduate work.



Islamic Studies M.A. and Ph.D.

The Islamic Studies IDP encompasses the broadest cultural concerns in the study of Islamic civilizations. It provides opportunities for study of the major languages, literatures, history, culture, and religious traditions of the populations of regions where Islamic-influenced civilizations have the greatest impact. The program's interdisciplinary approach allows students to design a unique course of study integrating different disciplines and methodologies to achieve historical depth and geographical breadth.

The M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in Islamic Studies are designed primarily for students desiring to prepare for an academic career. It may also be useful for students desiring a special emphasis in this particular area, or for those who plan to work in predominantly Muslim regions and whose career will be aided by a knowledge of the people, languages, and institutions in these areas.

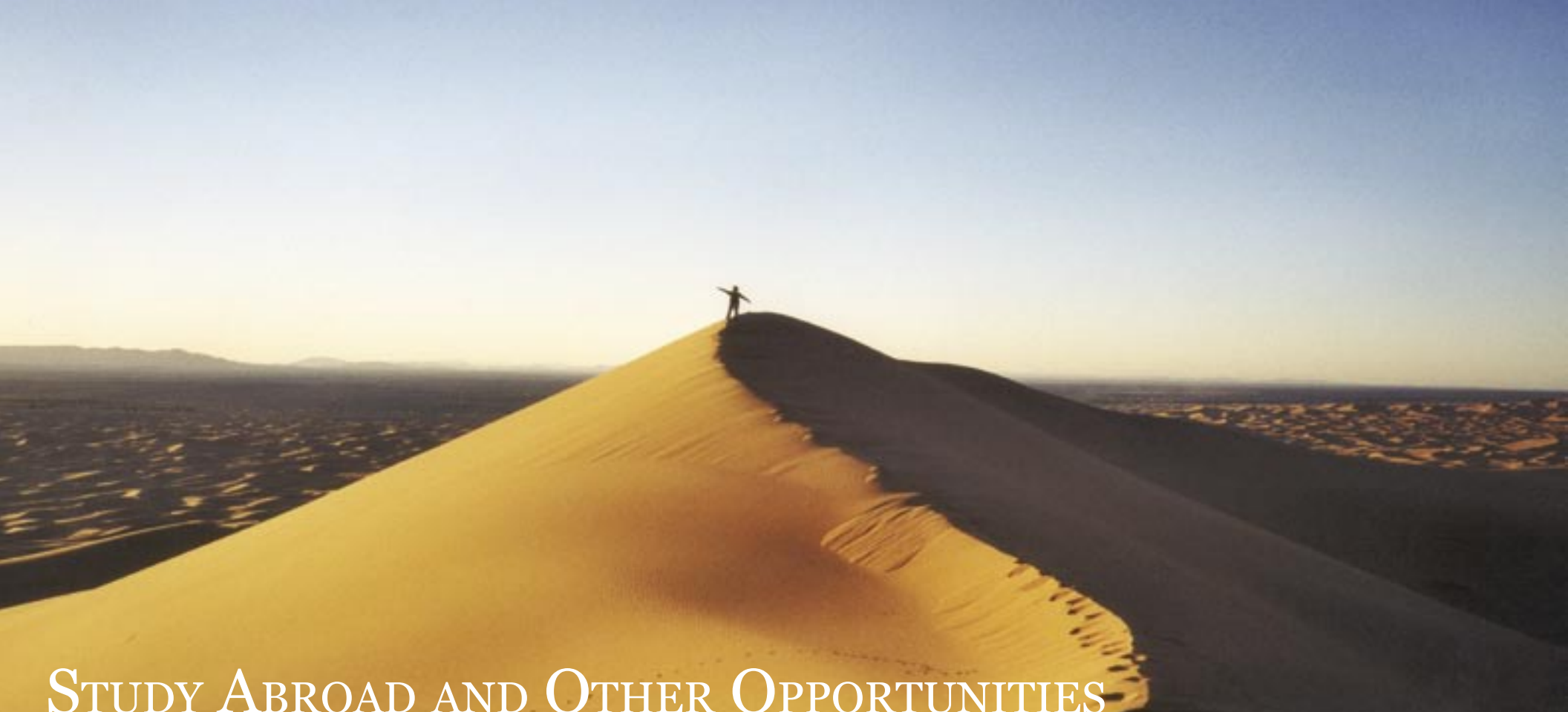
A concurrent degree program, Islamic Studies M.A./Public Health M.P.H., is also offered.

Latin American Studies M.A.

Students in the Latin American Studies IDP design courses of study that are tailored to meet their specific research interests and career goals. Students may work with Latin Americanist faculty in the arts, humanities, sciences, social sciences, and professional schools in order to acquire the advanced language training, methodologies, and area expertise required for public and private sector careers in business, government, education, the professions, and the arts. Students also have access to major library, art, film, music, and museum collections focused on the region.

UCLA's distinguished faculty, extensive research resources, and ideal location in the city of Los Angeles make it a national and international center for the study of Latin America.

Opportunities exist to combine the M.A. in Latin American Studies with other degree programs including an M.B.A. in Management, an M.A. in Urban Planning, an M.L.I.S. in Information Studies, and an M.P.H. in Public Health.



STUDY ABROAD AND OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

All students pursuing a degree within the International Institute are highly encouraged to study and work abroad in order to immerse themselves in a language and culture, and gain practical skills and work experience. There are a number of different programs to choose from in order to satisfy a wide-range of student profiles and desires for study abroad experiences.

UCLA Global Learning Institutes: Summer Travel Study

In partnership with the International Institute, Summer Sessions offers Global Learning Institutes in several strategic locations around the world. Students take two courses, Global Studies 110A and 110B, while abroad.

These study abroad programs act as a lens allowing students to see first hand—through internships, field trips and international living, as well as classroom learning—how the issues related to globalization are playing out around the world in places with distinctive histories and cultures.

www.summer.ucla.edu/travel

UCLA Education Abroad Program

The Education Abroad Program is the official study abroad program of the University of California. EAP offers over 140 programs in over 30 countries. There are long-term, short-term, and summer options for sophomores to graduate students. EAP also offers several options in the field which allow students to do internships, independent research projects, and field studies.

EAP offers a number of advantages:

- » Students automatically receive full, graded UC credit for all course work completed abroad.
- » The cost for most programs is equivalent to or lower than a year at UCLA.
- » All financial aid that students currently receive applies to time abroad.

www.international.ucla.edu/eap

UCLA Internship & Study Abroad Services

Students can choose to go through other study abroad programs besides the previously mentioned UC sponsored programs.

The Internship & Study Abroad Services Office of the UCLA Career Center keeps information and offers individual counseling regarding hundreds of non-UC study abroad opportunities.

www.career.ucla.edu/explore/intl



Student Support

The UCLA International Institute and its units provide over \$2 million in support annually to UCLA students through fellowships and scholarships, teaching assistantships, internships, and work-study and other types of employment.

Students who want to broaden their cultural and educational horizons might find their task made easier by exploring a bounty of resources ranging from funding to study abroad through the UCLA International Institute. Almost thirty different fellowships toward the study of global or area studies are currently available from the Institute's affiliated international and area studies centers. www.international.ucla.edu/fellowships.asp

Student Organizations

Once you've joined our very own International Institute Student Association (IISA), consider joining others that are related to your particular area of study and interests such as the Latin American Student Association, Undergraduate International Relations Society, the UCLA Model United Nations, and many others.

www.international.ucla.edu/iisa

www.studentgroups.ucla.edu

International Journalism Internships

Working on one of the Institute's various print and web publications, students can gain hands-on publishing experience. In addition to writing articles, students can produce streaming audio/video interviews, photo essays, and interactive features.

Current student run publications include AsiaMedia, Asia Pacific Arts, Ufahamu, Jusūr, and ViewPoint Journal.

www.international.ucla.edu/students.asp

Career Opportunities

The interdisciplinary nature of the International Institute IDPs gives students a diverse range of possible career opportunities. With their language training and specialized knowledge of a region's culture, history, politics, and economy, our students are well equipped to work in international organizations, the Foreign Service, non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations, business, international law, and a host of other academic, private sector, and public sector institutions. Please visit the UCLA Career Center at for more information about career development.

www.career.ucla.edu



INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE CENTERS

The International Institute houses world-class multidisciplinary centers focusing on major world regions and on global issues that cut across regional boundaries.

Our educational mission encompasses activities dedicated to teaching, research, publication, community service, and international exchange programs.

Students are encouraged to take advantage of the many resources, such as lecture series and other events, offered by affiliated centers.

African Studies Center

www.international.ucla.edu/africa

Asia Institute

www.international.ucla.edu/asia

Burkle Center for International Relations

www.international.ucla.edu/bcir

Center for Buddhist Studies

www.international.ucla.edu/buddhist

Center for Chinese Studies

www.international.ucla.edu/ccs

Center for European and Eurasian Studies

www.international.ucla.edu/euro

Center for India and South Asia

www.international.ucla.edu/southasia

Center for Japanese Studies

www.international.ucla.edu/japan

Center for Korean Studies

www.international.ucla.edu/korea

Center for Near Eastern Studies

www.international.ucla.edu/cnes

Center for Southeast Asian Studies

www.international.ucla.edu/cseas

Center for World Languages

www.international.ucla.edu/languages

Globalization Research Center - Africa

www.globalization-africa.org

Latin American Center

www.international.ucla.edu/lac



Donating to Support Students

University education, which opens doors for a lifetime, is becoming ever more expensive. Recent California state budget cuts have forced the UC system to raise student fees 30%.

Donations are needed more than ever to ensure that deserving students will have their chance at a first-rate education. A gift of \$5,000 will help support one student's tuition for the year.

Endowment income for undergraduate student support ensures a superior education for talented, deserving students who might otherwise be unable to attain their dream of a UCLA education.

Scholarships may be awarded on the basis of financial need, academic merit or both. A pledge of \$50,000 will establish a named fund in undergraduate scholarship.

Attracting promising scholars as graduate students to UCLA indirectly bears on the University's ability to recruit and retain top faculty.

Scholarships that offset graduate students' educational expenses can be awarded in an academic area of the donor's choosing, or wherever such funds are urgently needed, and bear the donor's name.

Gifts of \$10,000 help offset the increasing costs of graduate education. A gift of \$350,000 will establish a named graduate fellowship.

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Interdepartmental Degree Programs

Interdepartmental degree programs (IDPs) offered through the International Institute allow students to select undergraduate majors or minors or complete an M.A. or Ph.D. that focus on a particular area of study — either a specific geographic region, or a global comparative and issue-oriented thematic approach — through a variety of disciplines. The flexibility and individualized nature of these interdisciplinary programs enables our students to design a course of study that meets a wide range of interests.

www.international.ucla.edu/idps

About the International Institute

The UCLA International Institute, a division of the College of Letters & Science, is one of the world's preeminent centers of international education. The Institute is responsible for a wide array of international activities at UCLA: fourteen research centers and programs on almost all regions of the globe; ten graduate and undergraduate interdisciplinary degree programs; active community and educational outreach programs; flagship language studies programs, and the Education Abroad Program for UCLA students.

The Institute's primary objective is to educate global citizens who not only understand the complexities of the contemporary world but who also are equipped to shape our collective futures.

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