UCEAP Summer Physics Abroad

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The UC Education Abroad Program (UCEAP) offers two distinct programs in which two universities abroad offer their own physics curriculum that has been pre-approved to satisfy part of UCLA's introductory physics series.

Ireland, Dublin:
University College Dublin
Dublin Summer Physics

UK Scotland, Glasgow:
University of Glasgow
Glasgow Summer Physics
Programs: Based on tracks

**PHYSICS FOR LIFE SCIENCE**
- Ireland: Dublin Summer Physics
- UK Scotland: Glasgow Summer Physics

**PHYSICS FOR PHYSICAL SCIENCE**
- UK Scotland: Glasgow Summer Physics
What is Summer Physics Abroad?

- Study abroad for 8 weeks from mid-June to mid-August.
- Satisfy part of UCLA’s introductory physics series on the respective track:

**PHYSICS FOR LIFE SCIENCE**
Physics 5A and Physics 5B

**PHYSICS FOR PHYSICAL SCIENCE**
Physics 1A and Physics 1B
Dublin & Glasgow Summer Physics Course Breakdown

1. Physics 1
   - 4 weeks
   - 4 units

2. Physics 2
   - 4 weeks
   - 4 units
Programs
Programs: Dublin Summer Physics

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

Campus: UCD is a modern university campus on the southern edge of Dublin; a 25 minute bus ride into the bustling city center, UCD feels like the modern sections of UCLA (south campus, Sunset Village, YRL).

Dublin: is known for it’s welcoming residents and student-friendly atmosphere. Here you can visit the Stone of Destiny, the Dublin Castle, or take a day-trip to the Cliffs of Moher.

bit.ly/DublinPhysics
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

Meals: Meal plan included. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are provided Monday – Friday. Students are responsible for their weekend meals.

Housing: Single room in a 4-bedroom, 2-bath suite. Shared kitchen and dining area. Approximately 5 minute walk to class.

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Programs: Glasgow Summer Physics

UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW

Campus: You’ll encounter gothic-arched windows and will walk the halls where Einstein once lectured. Campus is located in Glasgow’s bohemian West End neighborhood.

Glasgow: Famed for its Victorian architecture, Glasgow is a cultural hub home to the inspiration of Hogwarts. Explore the many museums, take a free tour of the Glasgow Cathedral, or visit the Scottish Highlands.

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Meals: Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are provided Monday - Friday afternoon. Students are responsible for their meals Friday evening – Sunday.

Housing: Single room and shared bath in a 2-5 person residence. 15 minute walking distance to classes.

bit.ly/GlasgowPhysics
Academics
Which program is the easiest?

NONE OF THEM

• Physics abroad is not the easy way out. These programs are rigorous and fast-paced.

• UCEAP courses factor into your UCLA GPA
  o If you unsuccessfully complete one or more courses, you cannot “retake” them at UCLA to fix your GPA.

• Each program is different from one another
  o Each institution differs in teaching methods, grading, class/lab hours, homework, exams, housing, meals, etc.
“Students are expected to complete pre-session reading tests while the learning sessions focus on tutor led group discussions. This will allow specific issues and problems of the students to be addressed. The key to the success of such a learning design is to have active participation by each member of the class. By signing up to this class, you are entering into a learning partnership with the tutor and the rest of your peer group and your contributions are vital to the whole group.”
What about Medical School?

We can assure you that you can use this curriculum to satisfy your UCLA physics requirements, but no assurances are made on whether medical schools will accept this credit. Nonetheless, historically UCLA students have not had any issues with this curriculum for medical school acceptance, but ultimately **it is a student’s responsibility to check-in with those schools.**

Further, all coursework is converted into UC credit. When medical schools ask for a transcript of your time abroad, you will only be providing them your UCLA transcript. **There is no transcript available from the host university abroad.**
If I receive CAE accommodation at UCLA, would I receive the same accommodation abroad?

- Partners abroad may be able to offer equivalent or partial accommodations
- For accommodations consideration
  - Submit a letter from CAE to UCEAP
  - UCEAP and our partners will assess the requests
- No action required pre-nomination
Eligibility
Eligibility – GPA & Academic Standing

1. Minimum UC GPA requirement
   1. University College Dublin: 2.5
   2. University of Glasgow: 2.9

2. Maintain good academic standing
   o As defined by your school or college.
Eligibility - Prerequisites

3. Students must complete the respective math courses with a minimum passing grade of C- by the end of Winter 2023.

**Physics for Life Science**
Math 3AB, Math 31AB, or LS 30AB

**Physics for Physical Science**
Math 31A, Math 31B, and 32A (32B is strongly recommended)

- Exceptions to this policy can be considered on a case-by-case basis for students with a 3.0 GPA in core STEM Courses.
- Equivalence per DARS (ex. AP credit, Community College course, etc.) is accepted
Eligibility Continued

• We continue to monitor eligibility until departure. Students can be withdrawn for not meeting any of the 3 requirements.

• If you have repeated coursework, we recommend you reconsider these programs. At minimum, test your math skills self-assessment via the Math Diagnostic Quizzes to gauge your preparedness.

bit.ly/QuizUCEAP
Eligibility: 1st year applicants

- Most will not have established a UC GPA, but you need one to confirm eligibility

- When you apply:
  - Submit an unofficial transcript from MyUCLA. It will only have your Fall enrollments, but it will serve as a placeholder.

- You must re-upload an unofficial transcript with your Fall GPA to your UCEAP Application by Tuesday, January 10th 11:59pm.
  - Mark this in your calendar now. Failure to do so will result in forfeiting your application.
Eligibility: If this summer term is your last term

CAN I PARTICIPATE SUMMER OF MY SENIOR YEAR?

• You must be a currently enrolled UCLA student to participate on UCEAP. If you plan on doing this your last term at UCLA, you must contact your academic advising unit about the possibility of pushing your expected graduation to summer.

• Eligible students may be able to carry their financial aid, but must fill out FAFSA once more. Contact the UCLA FAO for more information.

• Grades can take up to 90 days from the program end date to be received by UCLA. Important for those needing to prove degree completion by sometime in the fall. Degree is not conferred until coursework is applied.
Application Process
Step 1 – View Deadlines

- Open: Tuesday, October 4th, 2022 at 9:00am
- Close: Tuesday, January 10th, 2023 at 11:59pm.
- No capacity limit – we expect to accommodate all interested students
Step 2 - Apply

- Create a UCEAP account and submit:
  - UCEAP Application
  - UCLA IEO Questionnaire
    - Accessible on the UCEAP Application Instructions and Requirements

https://uceap.universityofcalifornia.edu/
Step 3 – Receive your Nomination

• Nomination = Acceptance into the program

• By mid-January, the IEO will have reviewed applications. Applicants will receive either:
  • A nomination
  • Explanation why there is no nomination

• 1st years: Students will receive a nomination conditional upon re-submitting your unofficial transcript by January 10th.
AND YOU’RE DONE!
Application Process

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

• Provided you submitted the **UCEAP Application** and the **UCLA IEO Questionnaire**, within 48 hours of submitting, your application status on the UCEAP portal will change from “Submitted” to “Campus Review”

• No news is *generally* good news -
  • You will receive an automated email after submitting the UCLA IEO Questionnaire
  • If you received the automated email, this means we received your application and your application is being reviewed
  • You may not receive another email from our office for some time

• It is important that on your application you enter an email you frequently check and to check it often.
WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

• I will review applications for eligibility

• You should receive an email from me by mid-January
  • Likely 4 weeks after submitting your application

• While there may be a wait from the time you submit your application until you hear back, provided you meet and maintain the eligibility requirements, you should receive a nomination (and participate on the program!)
Finances
COST

Experience the high-quality education of the University of California anywhere in the world! With UCEAP, study abroad is built into UC and financial aid is specially packaged to cover expenses abroad. Defray costs with the help of UCEAP scholarships—every UC student can apply for a Global Scholarship of up to $2,000.

The following estimates reflect the current costs of study abroad based on average spending habits. Use the estimates to get a general sense of costs and compare your options.

**ESTIMATED EXPENSES**

--- $13,548 ---
PHYSICS FOR ENGINEERS

--- $13,548 ---
PHYSICS FOR LIFE SCIENCES

Not reflective of true estimated cost. Website modifications pending.
WHAT’S INCLUDED

UCEAP estimates include UC tuition, round-trip airfare, housing, meals, program excursions and activities, passport and visa fees, books, supplies, and other living expenses like laundry or metro tickets. Estimates for online programs include only UC tuition and UCEAP fees.

UCEAP estimates do not include UC campus fees, graduate student fees, or tuition for non-California residents. Estimates for online programs do not include living expenses and books.

Use the cost calculator below to include these variables and get a more accurate estimate customized to you.

CUSTOMIZE YOUR ESTIMATE

Select each status in the cost calculator to get your customized estimate. You can use this estimate for financial aid advising and to plan a budget for study abroad programs.

Tip: If any terms are not listed under Choose Your Package—for instance spring or winter—it means current estimates are not yet available. See the info tip for details.

YOUR CAMPUS

- UC Los Angeles

ARE YOU A CALIFORNIA RESIDENT?

- No

ARE YOU A GRADUATE STUDENT?

- No

CHOOSE YOUR PACKAGE

- Physics for Engineers
YOUR ESTIMATE

UC Tuition: $3,348
UCEAP Fees: $4,500
Predeparture Expenses: $500
Incidentals, Books, and Transportation: $800
Housing and Meals: $3,400
Airfare (round-trip, changeable): $1,000

TOTAL COST: $13,548

This estimate is based on current data available and reflects the closest approximate cost of attendance. Actual costs vary by student and can change depending on spending habits, housing, and other factors. After application, participants receive a comprehensive budget listing all fees associated with their study abroad experience.

PRINT YOUR RESULTS

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# Cost Comparison Chart

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Eligible students can carry over their financial aid

Need-based grant aid:
  - Aid will vary from student to student.

Loans:
  - As summer is considered a non-essential term, **financial aid packages tend to be loan-heavy**. They are an inevitable part of a summer program abroad.

- Complete FAFSA 2023 – 2024 no other action required
- CalVet Waiver – Applicable!
Finances: Sample Financial Aid Package*

**PROGRAM INFO:**

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**SAMPLE FINANCIAL AID PACKAGE**

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*2022 – 2023 Academic School Year funding. Subject to change.
Non-Financial Aid Students

- First payment of $950 is generally due April 1st
- Final payment of remaining balance is due June 1st

Financial Aid students

- You can ignore the payment deadlines in UCEAP
- The only payment you have to make in UCEAP portal is if you accept less aid than the balance in UCEAP
Finances: Early Expenses*

There may be expenses that students must pay up front independent of financial aid.

- Glasgow Housing Payment
  - Due before departure

- Airfare
  - $1,000 - $1,400 budgeted, but can be less

- Late withdrawals
  - At minimum $500 fee after April 1st

* All figures are subject to change.
Finances: Scholarships

Need-based and merit-based awards available

- Gilman Scholarships: $1,500*
- UCEAP Global Scholarship: $2,000*
- Cyril Taylor Memorial (UK Only): $3,750*
- UK Undergraduate Study Abroad: $1,700*

More information and others: ieo.ucla.edu/scholarships

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Poll
Would you be interested in satisfying a UCLA G.E.?  

PROGRAM INFO:
1. Physics 1 (4 units)  
2. Physics 2 (4 units)  
3. Elective (4 units)  

Differences:  
• Additional course for 4 units  
• Elective course has been pre-approved by UCLA College & School of Engineering  
• Estimated $2000 more

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SAMPLE FINANCIAL AID PACKAGE*  

| Grants     | $6,298 |
| Loans      | $6,618 |
| Total Financial Aid: | $12,916 |

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Would you be interested in satisfying a UCLA G.E.?

STAY IN THE LOOP!
JOIN OUR INTEREST FORM

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Any Questions?
For Further Information

Please address all further questions via email to the advisor below.

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