

A photograph of the Berkeley Campanile tower at sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm orange glow. The tower is silhouetted against the bright sky. In the background, there are trees and distant hills. In the top right corner, there is a decorative geometric pattern of white lines forming a honeycomb-like structure.

Berkeley International Office Welcomes You!

Berkeley
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA


BMO



Official Bank of UC Berkeley

**HILLSIDE
VILLAGE**

Agenda



9:00 AM	Welcome
9:10 AM	Navigating Campus
9:40 AM	Immigration Essentials
10:40 AM	Break
10:50 AM	Health & Safety
11:20 AM	Working in the US
11:40 AM	Student & Staff Q&A
12:00 PM	Academics with Advisers (EAP Only)
12:00 PM	Overview of Taxes and GLACIER (Grads Only)

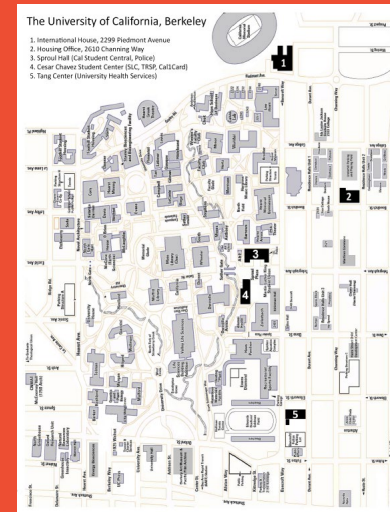
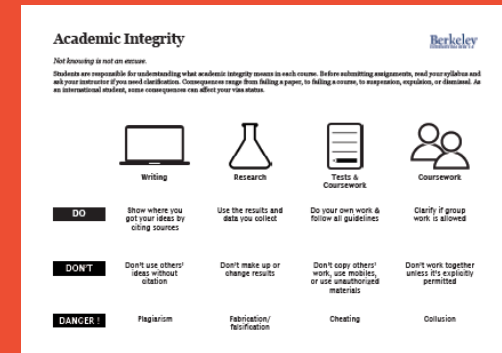
Welcome

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Digital Folder Materials

- Orientation program/agenda
- BIO flyer
- Events flyer
- Academic Integrity Handout
- Health Insurance Handout
- Campus Map/Neighborhoods



J-1 Student Materials

- [Wilberforce Pamphlet](#)
- The Department of State provides information on how to maintain your J-1 program and [contact the Office of Designation if necessary](#). As always, if you have questions, please come to BIO for advising.
- [Exchange Visitor Program Welcome Brochure](#)
- These slides will be emailed out after the presentation: please carefully review them as this is important information for J-1 visa holders.



Navigating Campus

Student Team

Internationaloffice.Berkeley.edu/about-us/studentadvisers



What can BIO do for you?



Answer questions about your visa status



Endorse campus forms as appropriate



Advise you on travel & provide travel signatures



Provide information about employment options



Provide social and leadership opportunities



Location

2150 Shattuck Ave
Suite 500
Berkeley, CA 94704

Conveniently located near
campus, Downtown
Berkeley BART, and several
bus lines!



Advising Services

- Document pick-up and drop-off at the front desk
- Drop-in **virtual** advising via Zoom to discuss your questions with an advisor in the morning 10 a.m.–12 p.m. every weekday except Wednesdays.
- Drop-in **in-person** advising to discuss your questions in the afternoon 1–4 p.m. every weekday except Wednesdays.
- Visit [our website](#) for instructions on how to access

Office Business Hours

Monday–Friday | 9 a.m.–12 p.m. and 1–4 p.m.

Email

For less time-sensitive questions, contact us by email to receive a detailed response from an adviser in 3 business days or less!

Email: internationaloffice@berkeley.edu

Weekly BIO Newsletter

- Important immigration reminders
- Upcoming events and programs
- Relevant news from around campus

Subscribe by updating your LOCAL address in Cal Central to the email you would like to have the newsletter sent to!



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This is a
BIG
university

40,000
students

7,000+
International Students

Create small communities

Upcoming BIO Programs and Events



- In-person Welcome Day – August 20
 - Extended Orientation events:
 - Employment in the US - early September
 - English language pronunciation workshop – date TBD
 - International student emotional health and wellness – date TBD
- Programs to help you find your community on campus:
 - Peer Mentor Program
 - Global Pen Pal Program
 - Bi-weekly coffee hour with BIO



Campus Resources

Offices and departments that can provide you support,
whether you are here in person or abroad!

Student Learning Center (SLC)

The Student Learning Center supports a global community of learners as they navigate the cultural expectations and academic rigor of UC Berkeley.

- A variety of programs for different disciplines and majors
 - Writing Program
 - Language Exchange
 - Peer-led advising
- International Student Program:
<https://slc.berkeley.edu/international-student-program>
- Resources for Academic Support:
<https://slc.berkeley.edu/general-resources>



Student Leadership & Engagement Center



- UC Berkeley's hub for student involvement, leadership development, and co-curricular advising
- Over 1,200 diverse student organizations, organized primarily for students and by students
- Find your student org using Cal Link: <https://callink.berkeley.edu/>
- Virtual Fall Calapalooza: <https://lead.berkeley.edu/calapalooza/>



Disabled Students' Program (DSP)

- Promotes an inclusive environment for students with disabilities and equips students with appropriate accommodations and services to achieve their individual academic goals.
- Apply for services: <https://dsp.berkeley.edu/students/new-students/application-process>
- Various support services:
 - Cal Trio DSP SSS
 - Autism Spectrum Services
 - Career Services
 - And more!





Basic Needs Center

Supports students with all the essential resources needed to not only survive, but thrive here at UC Berkeley.

Basic needs support includes areas such as:

- Nutritious food
- Stable housing
- Financial sustainability
- Mental wellness

...and much more! Visit their website to view a variety of resources, tools, and information: <https://basicneeds.berkeley.edu/home>

Cal Student Central

Need a transcript? Have questions about your financial aid or a hold on your registration? Cal Student Central is your destination for key university business related to financial aid, fees and billing, payments, disbursements, registration, and enrollment.

Cal Student Central is the starting place to find answers about:

- financial aid
- fees and tuition
- billing, payments, and disbursements
- registration and enrollment
- student records

The CSC office is located in 120 Sproul Hall.





Community Resources

Resources that will help you adjust to life in the US,
whenever you arrive!

Housing

- BIO Finding Housing Web Page:
<https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/living/housing>
- Cal Housing Office: On-campus housing
<http://www.housing.berkeley.edu/housing/>
- UC Berkeley Cal Rentals: Provides rental listings, roommate search tool, housing tips:
<http://calrentals.housing.berkeley.edu/>
- Housing scams & safety information:
<https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/living/scams-safety-old>

Money & Banking

- BIO Money and Banking web page:
<https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/living/money>
- BIO Financial Aid Web Page:
<https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/students/aid>
- Bears for Financial Success: a campus group focusing on financial literacy and helping students manage their expenses. <http://financialaid.berkeley.edu/bears-financial-success>

Transportation

- BIO Transportation Web Page: General transportation information for international students
<https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/living/transportation>
- BIO Driving in California Web Page: Information on driving and obtaining a driver's license for international students
<https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/living/driving>
- UC Berkeley Parking and Transportation office:
<http://pt.berkeley.edu/>



Go Bears!