

Berkeley International Office Welcomes You!









Agenda

8:30 AM Welcome

8:40 AM Navigating Campus

9:10 AM Immigration Essentials

9:55 AM Break

10:00 AM Health & Safety

10:30 AM Working in the US

10:50 AM Student Q&A

11:15 AM Academics with Advisers (EAP Only)

Overview of Taxes & GLACIER (Grad only)







Welcome

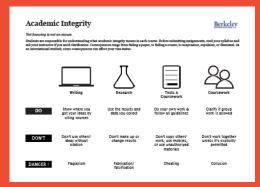
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Digital Folder Materials

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









- 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





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 <u>our website</u> 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





- 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!





This is a

B G university

40,000 students

7,000+
International Students

Create small communities



Upcoming BIO Programs and Events

- In-person Welcome Day August 21
 - Extended Orientation events:
 - Employment in the US early September
 - English language pronunciation workshop mid. September
 - International student emotional health and wellness late September
- Welcome Social Event with ISAB student org. mid. September
- 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: <u>https://slc.berkeley.edu/general-resources</u>





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!







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





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!





- BIO Finding Housing Web Page: <u>https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/living/housing</u>
- Cal Housing Office: On-campus housing <u>http://www.housing.berkeley.edu/housing/</u>
- 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





- BIO Money and Banking web page: <u>https://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/living/money</u>
- 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





- 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/



