"It is all about perspective, and sometimes one learns more about one’s place by going away.”

- Professor Pablo Ortiz
Music Department, UC Davis

"The experience of living in another country is invaluable for anyone living in the multicultural 21st century. Particularly so for the theater artist, whose job is to explore the nature of human relationships. The lure of excellence in the British theater tradition (from Shakespeare to the present-day contemporary London stage) makes Great Britain an obvious choice for the theater major, but don’t stop there! Living in any other culture broadens your perspective and understanding of the world at large. Throwing yourself into a foreign culture; the language, food, customs, architecture and history of another people, is a thrilling, challenging and life-altering experience. Experienced with an open heart and mind, the differences between us are endlessly engaging, and at the same time they make our common humanity profound."

- Professor Annie Loui
Drama Department, UC Irvine
How to Study Abroad as a Performing Arts Student

Define Your Goals

Academic Options
- Language courses
- Internship/Research
- GE courses

Personal Considerations
- City size
- Housing options
- Program length
- Cultural comfort
- Travel options

Financial Planning
- Financial Aid
- Scholarships
- Program cost—some are less expensive than Davis

Find a Study Abroad Program

Performing Arts Focus
- Focus on performing arts
- May include an internship or research project
- Complete your coursework in performing arts
- Study for a Summer, a Quarter, a Semester, or a Year
- Programs: Summer or Quarter Abroad

Immersion
- Take courses with host country students
- Take coursework in English and/or host country language
- Could include an internship or research project
- Length: Quarter, Semester, or Year
- Program: EAP, ISA, USAC

Language & Culture
- Learn a Language!
- Complete GE courses
- Length: Summer, Quarter, Semester
- Programs: Quarter Abroad, Summer Abroad, or EAP

Language & General Education (GE) Opportunities

Coursework in English
- Programs in English (Summer Abroad, EAP)
- Programs can have language courses offered in English while learning the host country language (see full list of programs for details)

GE Credit
- EAP Petitions are filed through the EAC upon return from abroad
- Summer Abroad and Quarter Abroad Programs are UC Davis classes out of the catalog—many are GE’s

Learning a Language
- Some programs are not in English and language prerequisites are listed in the program requirements
- You may opt to take a Language and Culture program on Quarter Abroad or EAP
- Learn the host country language and take classes in English

Next Steps?

Attend a 30-minute ‘First Steps Workshop’ at the Education Abroad Center (Tue, Wed, Thurs @ 1:00pm) to learn more about our programs.

Visit the Education Abroad Center website to find a program that suits your needs: studyabroad.ucdavis.edu

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Special Considerations for Performing Arts Students

When to Go Abroad

Depending on what is important to you determines when you should study abroad. If you are interested in GEs and language acquisition alone, you could go anytime. If you want to take upper division classes and/or perform undergraduate research abroad, you should plan to go abroad your junior or senior years.

PLAN AHEAD The most common piece of advice from returning students is that it is never too early to begin planning for studying abroad. We recommend you begin your freshman year, but at any point you can come to the EAC for advising on program selection based on your status.

Talk With Your Major Advisor

1. Write out quarter-by-quarter plan of classes to graduate from UC Davis.
2. Highlight study abroad program time (summer, quarter, semester, year).
3. Figure out which classes you can take abroad to graduate on time.
4. EAC Course Database—information on courses abroad that have already been approved by departments on campus.

Earning Credit for Graduation

1. Courses taken on an EAP program are offered for UC credit. Summer Abroad and Quarter Abroad classes offer UC Davis credit. Courses taken on a program outside the UC system (referred to as “independent” programs) are “transfer credit if the student applies for NUCSA Leave.
2. Discuss your study abroad goals with your major advisor EARLY!
3. Your department and the College should review your planned coursework before you leave. The college can assist you with GEs and a degree check.
4. Grades, units and course names are recorded on your transcript for UC study abroad programs. Transfer units are recorded on your transcript for other programs offered outside the UC system.

"I think the most valuable lesson I learned from my experience abroad is how much strength I have inside of me that I did not recognize before. I saw this not only within myself, but in others as well. With the routines we’ve set for ourselves in our everyday lives, we are not given the opportunity to practice talents we did not know we had."

-Music and Drama major In Siena, Italy

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Special Programs for Performing Arts Students

These programs are designed for students in the following majors at UC Davis:

*Theatre & Dance, Music*

- **UC Davis Summer Abroad, UK, Shakespeare Live!** — Enroll in 8 English units to experience the works of Shakespeare in the setting in which they were written. Readings and performances for 2014 may include Macbeth, Henry VIII, As You Like It, The Tempest, and Henry IV, parts 1 and 2.
- **UC Davis Quarter Abroad, UK, Culture and Internship Program** — This 14-unit program includes six units of an internship in your field of study. Internship opportunities include work in the field of music and theatre production, management, and promotion with music halls, theatres, and production companies.

- **UCEAP, Barbados**, Errol Barrow Centre for Creative Imagination, University of West Indies — A wide variety of courses are offered at this leading international university.
- **UCEAP, Chile**—You may take dramatic arts coursework at either of the two university options in Santiago or get involved in the local community’s theater productions!
- **UCEAP, Czech Republic**, Central European Studies: Prague Film and Television School at the Academy of the Performing Arts (FAMU) — Study drama and film at this top school in the Czech Republic!
- **UCEAP, India**, University of Hyderabad — The city’s rich traditions in art, literature, architecture and cuisine are the backdrop for a program offering numerous options in India studies, performing arts, and a broad range of other disciplines.
- **UCEAP, South Africa**, Institute of Performing and Creative Arts — Come to Cape Town for a unique opportunity to continue your UC studies with new perspectives, while immersing yourself in the changing political, social and economic landscape of this city, country and region of global significance.

Other Options for Finding Performing Arts Courses

Search by keyword such as “music” in the program search tools at the following web sites:

- Goabroad.com, studyabroad.com, and iiепassport.org are all good independent search options.