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Dear USP Students,

It's a difficult time for all of us. We hope that you and your family are healthy and safe.

Some of you may have heard about ICE sweeps being conducted in the midst of the COVID-19 outbreak. We want to remind you that you have power and it's important for you and your loved ones to Know Your Rights!

https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/immigrants-rights/

You may also be wondering about resources for you and your family related to COVID-19. Please click on these links to find further information that can be helpful to you and your loved ones:
- https://ciyja.org/covid19/
- https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PxLuuH0-hwHXftUXuEi52Q1qWUDegN8_11L4ullIFwzk/edit

We want to let you know that USP is here for you, and to help meet your needs. In efforts to limit coronavirus risk on campus, the Undocumented Community Resource Center (UCRC) is temporarily closed. However, USP services remain open and accessible. Please see below on how to access our services:

Financial Aid
The Financial Aid & Scholarships Office is offering virtual satellite advising. Please follow the link for instructions to sign up for an appointment:
https://www.wejoinin.com/sheets/cyogi

Financial Support
The emergency grant and USP scholarship application is still open and can be accessed here. If you have any questions, please email:
uspemergencygrant@gmail.com

Academic Counseling
Miscellaneous Opportunities: Week of March 30, 2020

All appointments with Valeria have been moved to virtual (phone or video) appointments. We continue to be committed to providing access and support to you during this ever-evolving time. To schedule an appointment with Valeria:

Through March 30th: [https://www.wejoinin.com/sheets/npxkw](https://www.wejoinin.com/sheets/npxkw)
After March 30th: [https://valeria-7.youcanbook.me](https://valeria-7.youcanbook.me)

When you sign up, please input the following information into the name section:
- Full Name
- Student ID number
- If you'd prefer meeting via video or audio

For Example: Oski Bear / 3031234567 / Video
* This information will not be displayed publicly but will be for internal use only.

Valeria will reach out to you at the time of your appointment.

Note: Please email Valeria [vcayala77@berkeley.edu](mailto:vcayala77@berkeley.edu) if these slots do not work with your schedule and if you have any questions or concerns

**Mental Health Support**

**Scheduled appointments**
- During this reduction in services, ALL appointments will be held over the phone and will be shorter than usual, given reduced service hours. If you already have a scheduled appointment with Dr. Barrios or Dr. Peña, they will be reaching out for a phone session at the time of your appointment. We understand that it may be difficult to access a private space with short notice, so please let us know if you need to reschedule or cancel based on travel/transition needs.
  - Dr. Bianca Barrios (510) 664-5342
  - Dr. Diana Peña (510) 664-7483
- Those new to mental health counseling (and not in crisis) may also call to access phone support, case management, referral support, etc. As our hours will be limited, calling our voicemail is NOT the best resource if you are in crisis or need urgent support. See below for info on urgent emotional support***.

**Communication**
- Given the fluidity of this situation, please check emails from the eTang secure messaging system, as this is a primary way counselors will update you with last minute changes to services. They will also call your cell phone number for updates and scheduled phone
appointments, so please make sure your Cal Central Mobile number has a voicemail box that is set up and can accept new messages.

Additional Services

- As of Monday, March 16th, all counseling groups, including the UndocuWellness in Action Group have been suspended until further notice. If you’re an existing member of USP’s skills group, please check your eTang messages and/or phone messages for additional details.
- Drop in hours (aka Let's Talk) are cancelled until further notice. In lieu of drop-in, additional phone appointment slots will be opened.
- ***For ANY urgent concerns or crisis mental health needs, please call CAPS at the Tang center (510) 664-7483 to speak with a counselor. For after-hours crisis support, please call 855.817.5667. For up to date info on CAPS services, please go to https://uhs.berkeley.edu/caps. For info on all other UHS/Tang services during this alternative instruction period, please visit: https://uhs.berkeley.edu/coronavirus/accessing-uhs-services

Self-care tips from CAPS counselors
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_13Au6I4s40&authuser=0
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=duJUwQxeQzw&feature=youtu.be

Immigration Legal Support
COVID-19 UPDATE (as of 3/12/20 but subject to change):
The East Bay Community Law Center (EBCLC) is the legal service provider for USP. As one of the largest providers of free legal services in the East Bay and home to eight of Berkeley Law’s community-based clinics, EBCLC places tremendous importance on the health of our staff, students, clients and the public. In an effort to support community well-being, we have closed our offices and have cancelled our drop-in appointments and in-person clinics through April 7th, 2020. We are committed to providing responsive legal services in the areas of housing, health, immigration, education, and economic security, and we will continue to do so with the utmost respect for our clients. Please schedule remote appointments through our online booking system, email us at usplegal@ebclc.org, or contact your caseworker for assistance with a legal matter. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

General Consultations

- All general consultations scheduled through our online booking system will take place by phone or Zoom. Until further notice, we will not have in-person general consultations at our Adeline office or at 180 Cesar Chavez. If you already have a scheduled appointment, EBCLC staff will contact you directly to arrange for a remote appointment. If you would
like to schedule, reschedule or cancel an appointment, please visit the USP website. Please contact usplegal@ebclc.org with any questions or concerns.

DACA Renewal Clinic on 3/19/20

- The upcoming in-person DACA Renewal Clinic on Thursday, March 19, 2020, is cancelled. However, we will continue to complete DACA renewals using remote options, including by phone and Zoom appointments. If you are scheduled for the DACA Renewal Clinic, EBCLC will reach out to you directly with remote options to complete your DACA renewal with us. Please contact usplegal@ebclc.org with any questions or concerns.

Current Clients of EBCLC

- For current clients of EBCLC, please reach out to your caseworker directly regarding any questions or concerns.

UCRC Online Community Gathering

Join USP staff to go over USP virtual services and answer your questions. We are here for you!

Weekly on Wednesday, 12pm-1pm.
Starting March 25, 2020
2019 - 2020 Eisner Prize for Filmmaking, 3/30/20
2019 - 2020 Eisner Prize for Photo-Imaging, 3/30/20
Cash Prizes for Winning Essays, 3/30/20

CASH PRIZES FOR WINNING ESSAYS

Political Science competitions are open to students of any major. Submit original works

Philo Sherman Bennett Prize in Political Science:
This contest is open to all students. A total of $4500 is available for the best essay encompassing some aspect of politics other than international relations.

Owen D. Young Prize in International Relations:
A total of $1,500 is available for the best essay dealing with some aspect of international relations. Open to undergraduates only. There is a 5,000 word limit.

Florence Mason Palmer Memorial Prizes:
Prizes are awarded for the best essay dealing with some aspect of international relations. There is a 5000 word limit. A total of $8,000 is available at the discretion of the judge. This competition is open to women undergraduates only.

For more information visit the Prizes’ website:
http://financialaid.berkeley.edu/prizes-and-honors

Deadline: March 30, 2020
210 Sproul Hall
By 4:00pm
Call for Undergrad & Grad Student AAPISC Nominations & Applications, 3/30/20

As part of UC Berkeley’s commitment to thriving Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) communities on campus, the Asian American and Pacific Islander Standing Committee (AAPISC) was formed in 2019 under the executive sponsorship of the Vice Chancellor for Equity and Inclusion, Oscar Dubón, to identify recommendations and strategies to the Chancellor and her cabinet about how to improve campus climate for AAPI undergraduate and graduate students, staff, and faculty.

We are writing to invite UC Berkeley undergraduate and graduate students to serve as members of AAPISC for the 2020-2021 academic year. You may apply to be on the committee (no nomination required), or you may nominate someone. Nominations are due by 5:00 pm on Monday, March 16th, and completed applications are due by 5:00 pm on Monday, March 30th. For additional information about the nomination and/or application processes, or the work of AAPISC, please do not hesitate to contact us directly.

With best regards,
Marcia Gee Riley, AAPISC Co-Chair
mgriley@berkeley.edu
Lisa Hirai Tsuchitani, AAPISC Co-Chair
lhtsuchitani@berkeley.edu
We are pleased to announce that all of our service formats are available virtually starting Monday, 3/30! Virtual Writing Tutoring Appointments and Drop-in service are here to support you at every stage of the writing process. Join us in the Virtual VèVè Writing Lounge to partner one-to-one with a friendly tutor for the same great conversations and focused feedback as our in-person tutoring.
In addition, our Research and Undergraduate Thesis workshops begin this week!

**Chicana/Latina Foundation Scholarships, 3/31/20**

The Chicana/Latina Foundation Scholarship awards $1,500 to students who have demonstrated leadership skills and have worked towards social justice in their communities. **Students must have a 2.0 GPA and be a full-time student to qualify** for this scholarship.

[Click here for more information.](#)
[Click here to apply.](#)

**Cognitive Science Conference, 3/31/20**

The UC Berkeley Cognitive Science Student Association asks you to save the date for the twelfth annual California Cognitive Science Conference on Saturday, April 25, 2020, held on the beautiful UC Berkeley campus in the Hearst Memorial Mining Building. This year, we are excited to explore Aging & Development: The Growing Mind, from the perspectives of Computer Science, Psychology, Neuroscience, Linguistics, Anthropology, and Philosophy.

You can look forward to a full day of thought-provoking talks, research poster presentations, intriguing exhibits, and professional catering. The California Cognitive Science Conference sells out every year and Early Bird tickets are only available until mid-March, so get yours now – [register today](#)!

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**Call for Abstracts**

**Application Deadline: March 31, 2020 at 11:59 PM**

The California Cognitive Science Conference is an opportunity for researchers (especially undergraduates) to exhibit their original work in the Cognitive Sciences. Poster presenters at the conference will be able to mingle with and receive feedback from professional scientists and our broader conference audience. Submitted abstracts will be evaluated based on interest and appeal to a wide audience; scientific and professional merit; clarity; and contribution to knowledge, practices, and policies. Submitted work does not have to fit the theme, but it can! As in previous years, we will be awarding a prize to the top poster, as selected by a popular vote by our attendees.
Submit your 300 word or less abstract here by March 31 to be considered.
You will be notified about the status of your submission no later than April 10th, 2020. If your submission is accepted, you will be able to purchase a discounted poster presenter ticket to the conference.

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You can find more information and register for the conference at https://cssa.berkeley.edu/ccsc20

BASE Summer Business Program at HAAS, 3/31/2020

If you are free this July and August we have a unique summer business program at Haas. Only 50 students are admitted each summer. If you are interested we encourage you to apply soon given the popularity of our program over the last 22 years.

The Haas School of Business invites you to consider the BASE Summer Program (Business for Arts, Sciences and Engineering). BASE is a six-week business boot camp that enables non-business majors and recent graduates to take business courses while earning full academic credit. Some former BASE students have gone on to earn MBA degrees, while others have accepted jobs in marketing, product development, consulting, financial services, and technology. BASE students receive many benefits, including custom workshops, company visits, lunches, small class size with top professors and Haas Alumni Network benefits.

The ideal participant of the BASE Program is an undergraduate student majoring in liberal arts, sciences or engineering. BASE is the only premier business summer program or institute where students can earn units.

You can visit our Facebook page to connect with our alumni on-line.

Partial Financial Aid for Berkeley Students
Some UC Berkeley students are eligible for partial summer financial aid which can partially cover the cost of the program. More information is here (BASE courses are 9 semester units in Summer Session D): http://financialaid.berkeley.edu/summer-aid

Application Process
We encourage you to apply as soon as possible given the popularity of the Program in the past 22 years. There is no application fee.

Check out the BASE website if you have any questions. We look forward to reading your application!

**Explore the Researcher in You! RSVP Today!, 4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29**

We are excited to announce the launch of our research virtual workshop series, Explore the Researcher in You! In the coming weeks, we’ll demystify the research process and look at different ways to maintain momentum and stay inspired. Each interactive workshop is designed to support you as you delve into your intellectual curiosities.

Our first installment, “Kick Start Your Research: Making Plans to Stay Ahead,” will be **Wednesday, April 1 at 5:00pm.** For additional information and to RSVP to one or all of the workshops, visit our website.
Greater Good Science Center Fellowship Application Open, 4/3/2020

We welcome researchers from a broad spectrum of academic disciplines at UC Berkeley, with an emphasis on the social-behavioral sciences. The Greater Good Science Center (GGSC) at UC Berkeley announces new one-year fellowship opportunities for UC Berkeley undergraduate and graduate students whose work relates to our mission: championing research into how social connection, kindness, belonging, and community support the happy, meaningful lives of individuals and society.

Based at UC Berkeley and led by social psychology professor Dacher Keltner, the GGSC is unique in its commitment to both science and practice: Not only do we sponsor groundbreaking
scientific research into social and emotional well-being, we help people apply insights from research to their personal and professional lives.

Previous GGSC fellows have secured top positions at universities nationwide, providing a significant boost to the science of a meaningful life, including topics like awe, compassion, resilience, reconciliation, altruism, and happiness. Check out this recent article from GGSC fellow Jia Wei Zhang, which describes his studies showing that self-compassion promotes personal improvement.

Timeline:
- Application Window: February 10–April 3, 2020
- Winners Announced: May 15, 2020
- Funding Window: September 1, 2020–August 31, 2021

Funding:
- Two fellowships will be awarded to undergraduates: one GGSC Fellowship (up to $2,500), one Goldberg Fellowship (up to $5,000)
- Four fellowships will be awarded to graduate students: three GGSC Fellowships (up to $10,000), one Hornaday Fellowship (up to $15,000)

Former fellows have come from the departments of psychology, integrative biology, sociology, neuroscience, urban studies, and other departments; the schools of public health, education, social welfare, and Haas business; and the UC Berkeley-UCSF Joint Medical Program. Students can apply using our online application starting Feb 10, 2020. The application deadline is Friday, April 3, 2020. Applicants may contact GGSC science director Emiliana Simon-Thomas for more information at ggscfellowships@berkeley.edu. More information about the GGSC can be found at http://greatergood.berkeley.edu/about

University of Nebraska-Lincoln Diversifying Psychology Weekend, 4/3/20

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln will be holding its second annual Diversifying Psychology Weekend. This weekend event is intended to help workshop doctoral program application materials for applicants from underrepresented backgrounds. We define underrepresented and diversity broadly.
The weekend will take place July 31 through August 2. Travel, lodging, and most meals will be covered during the event. All attendees will also be eligible to receive payment for graduate application fees at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Applications are due April 3 and we anticipate notifying all attendees by May 1.

You may access the application link here: https://ssp.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3fl6kgd54fqJDPn

**Undergraduate Poster Session- Black Doctoral Western Regional Conference, 4/4/20**

The Black Doctoral Network welcomes undergraduate, graduate and doctoral students to participate in our Western Regional Conference, themed “Breakthrough to Excellence.” If you have a research project, thesis, or dissertation you would like to present as a poster at a professional conference, the poster session is a good opportunity for you to showcase your academic work and receive constructive feedback from scholars in a friendly and engaging environment.

The poster session is part of the Black Doctoral Network Western Regional Conference taking place on Saturday, April 4, 2020 in Los Angeles, California at Loyola Marymount University. **Abstracts may be submitted by current undergraduates from all racial backgrounds on any topic.**

The abstract must be no more than 300 words in length. Include the title of the poster, issues you address in your work, your methods and theories, and results/conclusions of your research (if available). All undergraduate poster presenters will take part in a poster competition. We will send decision notifications on a weekly basis starting February 3.

For more information on the conference visit: blackphdnetwork.org/regional
TO SUBMIT A POSTER ABSTRACT: https://blackphdnetwork.submittable.com/submit
**Suicide Prevention Virtual Walk, 4/4/20**

The UC Berkeley Campus Walk is still happening virtually, so you can continue to raise awareness & funds while asking others to join you as a Virtual Walker.

The safety and well-being of our participants is our top priority. We know that these are uncertain times, and if you are feeling extra anxious please see the blog post from AFSP’s Doreen Marshall, Ph.D., on how to take care of your mental health in the face of uncertainty as well as 8 ways to manage our anxiety surrounding coronavirus.

There are still so many ways to continue to raise awareness and funds for the cause, and to “virtually” walk with us. To register, go to [https://afsp.org/berkeley](https://afsp.org/berkeley)  To find more information, you can find our facebook event at [https://tinyurl.com/UCBWalk2020](https://tinyurl.com/UCBWalk2020)

**Anne H. Scott Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship in Chinese Studies, 4/6/20**

The Anne H. Scott Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship in Chinese Studies is funded through the Anne H. Scott Endowment in Chinese Studies at IEAS, a gift of Hugh A. Scott in memory of his late wife, Anne H. Scott (née Anne Hanrahan), and her dedication to Chinese historical studies. The Scholarship supports an undergraduate student emphasizing Chinese studies at UC Berkeley. It is intended to assist students who have studied the Chinese language and who wish to use their language training to study Chinese history or culture, or to translate historical texts.

This year one award of $2,500 is available. Deadline: **Wednesday, April 6, 2020, 5:00 p.m.**  Follow this link for the full announcement and application procedures. Questions? Contact Dylan Davis, Associate Director, Institute of East Asian Studies (IEAS) davisds@berkeley.edu.
Summer 2020 Research Associate Program for Junior Transfers
Students can visit our website for complete program details and access the application form here. They are also encouraged to reach out to serena.le@berkeley.edu directly with any questions.

The extended deadline to apply is **Tuesday, April 7.**

**Casa Joaquin Now Accepting Applications, 4/20/2020**

Casa Joaquin Murrieta (Casa) is a multi-ethnic residential community that supports leadership development and academic success while providing a nurturing living environment for first-generation, low-income, UC Berkeley students. Please read details about the program below. The application for the 2020 - 2021 Academic year is now open!

[https://greenlining.org/leadership-academy/programs/casa-residency/](https://greenlining.org/leadership-academy/programs/casa-residency/)

A COMPLETE APPLICATION REQUIRES:

- Submission of the application form
- Completion of the 4 short answer questions
- A copy of your Financial Aid Offer Letter
- A copy of your or your parents previous year's taxes
- A copy of the Official UC Berkeley Offer Letter or other proof of enrollment
- Professional resume and list of references

APPLICATION SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

- Current Students (all students enrolled at Cal): April 20, 2020, 5:00 p.m. PST
- Incoming Students (freshmen and transfers): May 11, 2020, 5:00 p.m. PST

Ready to apply? Submit your application here: [http://greenlining.formstack.com/forms/2020casajoquinapplication](http://greenlining.formstack.com/forms/2020casajoquinapplication)

If you have any questions or would like to schedule a tour, feel free to email chagans@greenlining.org

**UCI Master of Advanced Study (MAS) degree in Criminology, Law and Society, 6/1/20**

Application Deadline for Fall 2020 is June 1, 2020
**The GRE is not required. Application fee fellowship offered to new students who enroll this Fall.**

The School of Social Ecology at the University of California, Irvine offers an online Master of Advanced Study (MAS) degree in Criminology, Law and Society. Courses are taught by expert faculty members with a curriculum designed to help working professionals advance in their careers and help graduates further their education. The program has raised the standard for online learning with innovative learning platforms that make it easy to interact with instructors. It is currently ranked No.1 by [U.S. News & World Report](https://www.usnews.com).  

The curriculum emphasizes theoretical and practical applications, central to crime and its control, social policy and the law. You will be taking courses in Public Policy, Crime and Criminal Justice; Cybercrime, Cybersecurity and Society; Miscarriage of Justice; Immigration in the U.S. and others.

Click here for [Program Overview](#).
Click here to [Learn More](#).

Upcoming events:

**Live Virtual Information Session**
Saturday, April 11, 2020
11:00am
[Register](#)

**Live Virtual Information Session**
Friday, April 24, 2020
Noon
[Register](#)

**Idaho State University Masters in Counseling, 7/1/20**

We are looking at recruiting students from your undergraduate program that may be interested in a Master of Counseling degree. We have five specialty tracks including our new Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling track in fall 2020. Also, we are part of the Western Regional Graduate Program (WRGP) where students tuition would be at the in-state rate.

We are accepting applications through July 1, 2020.
Miscellaneous Opportunities: Week of March 30, 2020
Black Graduation 2020 Registration Now Open

Registration for Black Graduation 2020, to be held on May 18th at 7 pm in Zellerbach Hall, is now open. Please share the link with your networks:
https://berkeleyblackgrad.wufoo.com/forms/black-graduation-registration/

Campaign: #KeepValFree

As some of you may know, the next couple of weeks DHS will be reviewing and building their case against Valeria, our fellow peer and beloved community member, and we need your support in making sure DHS uses all its tools at its disposal and exercise prosecutorial discretion to terminate Valeria’s proceedings!

In anticipation of Valeria’s next hearing we need your continued support! Lend your help and take action by doing the following:

Share Valeria’s story! Make sure to use #KeepValFree & #PD4QUTI’s Support by donating to take care of Valeria and any needs while she leads her fight! Sign up to be a #KeepValFree Supporter!
Help us tweet at leaders who have the power to influence DHS: @SpeakerPelosi @BLeeForCongress @RepZoeLofgren @SenFeinstein @GavinNewsom

Here are some sample tweets: @DHSgov has used Prosecutorial Discretion (PD) for over 100yrs to conserve resources & stop deportations for humanitarian reasons. Will you stand with Queer Undocumented Trans Immigrants and stop their deportations with PD? #KeepValFree
#pd4qutis @SpeakerPelosi @SenFeinstein @BLeeForCongress @RepZoeLofgren @GavinNewsom

@DHSgov spends ~10k to deport ONE individual! Queer, Undocumented, Trans immigrants seek refuge from violent persecutions in their birth countries, stop wasting resources and use Prosecutorial Discretion to end QUTI deportations! #KeepValFree #PD4QUTIs

Tweet at your elected officials! Demand they center Prosecutorial Discretion (PD) and stop wasting resources on deporting Queer, Undocumented, Trans Immigrants (QUTI) #PD4QUTIs

@SpeakerPelosi @SenFeinstein @GavinNewsom have the power to pressure @DHSGov to stop the unjust deportations of Queer, Undocumented, Trans Immigrants. Will you stand with LGBTQ+ Migrant youth? #KeepValFree

#DontInterfereWithMyKids Campaign in Peru showcases the homophobia Queer/Trans Peruvians face in and out of schools! We ask to @SpeakerPelosi @SenFeinstein @GavinNewsom stand with LGBT immigrants & demand @DHSgov use Prosecutorial Discretion (PD) #KeepValFree #PD4QUTIs

@SpeakerPelosi you have the power to save Queer/Trans immigrants from deportation and persecution! Pressure @DHSGov to use their power of prosecutorial discretion to stop unjust deportations! #KeepValFree

Tweet at your elected officials and demand they uplift the power of Prosecutorial Discretion! @DHSGov must stop wasting over 10k to persecute Queer/Trans Immigrants! #KeepValFree @SpeakerPelosi @GavinNewsom @SenFeinstein

The United States Public Interest Research Group Fellowship

Our mission is to advocate for the public interest—to speak out for a healthier, safer world in which we're freer to pursue our own individual well-being and the common good.

Whether it’s working to stop the overuse of antibiotics in agriculture, addressing our country’s plastic waste crisis, or alerting people to threats in the marketplace, the problems we work on
aren’t progressive or conservative. They’re just problems that our country shouldn’t tolerate any longer.

If you are ready to roll up your sleeves and win more results for the public, we’d love to hear from you.

You won’t just sit behind a desk. You’ll be out in the real world, working to protect consumers and enable citizens to lead healthier, safer, more secure lives. You’ll be recruiting new groups to join a coalition, speaking in a church basement or town hall to win a new endorsement, organizing a news event or rally, meeting with an editorial board, or doing whatever else it takes to get results. You’ll run a grassroots campaign office each summer during your fellowship where you’ll hire and manage a staff of 20 canvassers to raise money, build our organization and membership, and help win one of our key campaigns.

This is a one-year program, expressly designed to prepare future leaders with U.S. PIRG. We look for smarts, leadership experience, top-notch written and verbal skills, and an eagerness to learn. We value organizing experience, including building campus groups.

The target annual compensation for this position is $28,000 in the first year. U.S. PIRG offers a competitive benefits package. We also offer an excellent training program and opportunities for advancement.

We’re currently hiring for positions in multiple locations across the country, including Boston, Chicago, Washington DC, Los Angeles, Philadelphia and Portland, ME. If you’re flexible, you can apply for multiple locations. We accept applications on a rolling basis.

Positions start in August 2020. Immediate positions also available.

https://jobs.uspirg.org/fellowship.html

Summer Discounts & Opportunities for students

We are aware that world events may cause some students to choose not to return to their home this coming summer. As you advise students we wanted to pass along some information that may be of help to these students. To assist students who may not have summer housing in place, Cal Housing is offering a $200 discount to the first 200 students to register for housing for the 12-week summer session (Session AD). Please visit the Cal Housing website for details. For those students that choose to remain in Berkeley for the summer, Berkeley Summer Sessions offers options that can help keep their academics on track or gain a new credential.
Miscellaneous Opportunities: Week of March 30, 2020

There are a number of minors/certificates that can be completed in 12-weeks, such as the minors in Global Public Health, Digital Journalism, Race and the Law, Digital Humanities or a certificate in film production. For more information on minors/certificates go to summerminors.berkeley.edu

Beyond these options, Summer Sessions offers:

- More than 600 different courses in 99 different academic disciplines
- Over two dozen fully online courses: summer.berkeley.edu/online
- Internship programs in Boston, Los Angeles, and the Bay Area
- Scholarships and financial aid available to eligible students

Summer Sessions offers Berkeley classes compressed into 3, 6, 8, or twelve-week sessions, giving students the flexibility to make the most of their summer. Enrollment is now open. Learn more at summer.berkeley.edu

SLC Writing Program Virtual Tutoring Appointments

We wish you a safe, restful, and rejuvenating Spring Break! Our Virtual Writing Tutoring services will re-Zoom Monday, March 30.

As you take time to pause and recharge, we encourage you to visit the SLC’s Stay Well Together Initiative. As members of the Berkeley community, we know this semester has presented many unexpected changes. Stay Well Together offers strategies for maintaining wellness, words of encouragement, and resources designed to support you.

Please take care and stay safe! We look forward to seeing you after the break.
The SLC Writing Program is excited to announce our Virtual Writing Tutoring Appointment service is now available via Zoom! This new virtual format offers students the same opportunity to engage one-to-one with a peer tutor for feedback at any stage of the writing process, from brainstorming to revision. During these interactive appointments, students reflect on their own writing process and engage fundamental strategies for developing as young scholars.
University of Colorado Survey Responses Requested

I am a student at the University of Colorado Denver and I am conducting research in air pollution. Many studies have addressed its detrimental effects on cancer, low birth weights, and other physical health concerns, but there is little literature focused on mental health concerns. I suspect there is a relationship between high levels of air pollution and anxiety rates. I have data on the air pollution (compiled EPA data bases). I need data on anxiety rates.

If I can get perhaps 30 responses, this will give me a good representation of anxiety rates among students in the Berkeley area. It would also contribute greatly to reducing global pollution as we plan on developing this research into a plan of action. If you are not able to help us out, I completely understand.

Here is a link to the survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/G2SJQVJ

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or my research adviser Larry Erbert at Larry.Erbert@ucdenver.edu

Thank you for your time, I will appreciate any help at all!

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Processing Transfer Credit at this Time

At this time, students should be advised to request that transcripts be sent electronically (if the transfer institution needs an email address, they should use busops@berkeley.edu). We are continuing to post transfer credit via this method.

A reminder that we cannot receive transcripts from students via email, they must come directly from the transfer institution. Alternatively, if an advisor receives an official transcript, they could send a pdf to busops@berkeley.edu.

If an electronic option is not available, we suggest that students postpone the request to send until after Shelter in Place (right now, April 7th). At this time, there is no one available to scan hard copy transcripts in Sproul due to Shelter in Place. And it might not be advisable for
documents to linger with mail services. My hope is that as we know more about the extent of our
time away from campus, and how in person services will be handled, we'll have better guidance
on when to send so that action can be taken closer to receipt of the documents.

**L&S Virtual Front Desk**

_Virtual Front Desk_ is a resource for students, staffed by the L&S Peer Advisers.

Students will now be able to access the L&S Advising Office's front desk services virtually by
logging on to _Virtual Front Desk Google Hangouts_. The peers will be able to assist students with
quick questions, help identify petitions and forms (and how to submit), support navigating which
campus office to contact with questions, and explain how to make an L&S college advising
appointment if students have difficulty.

Topics you can get help with through L&S Advising's Virtual Front Desk:

- Clarification on L&S College policies and procedures
- Help choosing petitions and forms (and guidance in submission)
- Support navigating which campus office to contact with questions
- Guidance in whether to make an L&S College Advising appointment or to use a different
  resource

Please note that this service is an _open format_, which allows students to join in and leave at their
convenience. Students, therefore, will be able to hear questions posed by other students.

On the _Virtual Front Desk_ webpage, you will find a calendar that indicates the hours. The
calendar will be updated daily, depending on changes in peer availability.
This Virtual Front Desk service is in addition to the Google Hangout services that the peers are already providing in the evenings. For more information about those services, please review [Virtual Office Hours w/ Peer Advisers](#).
Student to Student Peer Counseling is a group of student counselors providing free, one-on-one, confidential, walk-in services to UC Berkeley students. As peer counselors, we provide a supportive atmosphere where students can openly talk about their feelings. All of us are extensively trained to cover a broad spectrum of topics, ranging anywhere from stress to suicidal thoughts, and are here to offer nonjudgmental, empathetic ears for whatever you’re going through. We know that COVID-19 related events are stressful and anxiety-inducing, and want to be there for the UC Berkeley community should anyone need a space to talk openly about how they’re doing and to develop their own solutions to problems and uncertainties. Please note that all our services are completely free and confidential.

Recently we have shifted to taking appointments via Zoom. You can make an appointment at https://sspc.berkeley.edu/appointments/, and we’ll send you an email with the meeting link once you’re scheduled. For more information, visit our website at sspc.berkeley.edu or send us an email at sspcemail@gmail.com. Hope everyone’s taking reasonable precautions and staying safe during these challenging times.