**Overview**

When you apply for admission to study abroad at UCL, you will normally apply to one subject area where you will be expected to take at least 50% of your courses. Thereafter, you can select the remainder of your courses from other disciplines.

Options include Anthropology, Architecture, Archaeology, History of Art, Chemistry, Dutch, Earth Sciences, Economics, English Language and Literature, European Cultural Studies, European Social and Political Studies, Fine Art, French, Geography, German, Greek and Latin (Classics), Hebrew and Jewish Studies, History, Italian, Law, Linguistics, Mathematics, Philosophy, Physics and Astronomy, Political Science, Psychology, Scandinavian Studies, Science and Technology Studies, Slavonic and East European Studies, and Spanish and Latin American Studies.

**University College London**

UCL, the third university to be founded in England (after Oxford and Cambridge) was the first to admit students regardless of class, religion, race, or gender. It is one of the largest and most diverse of all British universities. It is regularly listed among the top universities in the world.

UCL has a distinguished history and a strong academic tradition. UCL houses 55 departments that are organized into eight faculties.

**The Setting**

University College London is located in the Bloomsbury district of central London. It is surrounded by other Schools and Institutes belonging to the University of London. It is near the British Museum and British Library and within easy walking distance of the major art galleries, museums, theaters, cinemas, concert halls, opera houses, rock and jazz venues, as well as the main shopping district in the West End.

**Academic Program**

For specific course offerings, please consult the Study Abroad Guide, published by UCL, in the Office of International Programs and available online at http://www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/international-students/study-abroad/overseas-students-at-ucl/sag.

Each course has one or more “convenors.” The course convenor is responsible for designing and managing the course. Almost all courses consist of lectures and seminars, though the proportion between these, and their distribution over the period of the courses, is at the convenor’s discretion.

**IN BRIEF**

**WEBSITE:** http://www.ucl.ac.uk

**SEMESTER AVAILABLE:** Fall, spring, or full year

**PROGRAM DATES:** mid-September to mid-December; mid-January to mid-June

**ELIGIBILITY:** B average in the fall and spring preceding the semester abroad. UCL prefers an overall B+ average. Applicants must be citizens/permanent residents outside EEA/EU countries.

**COURSES:** wide range of courses in economics, the humanities, mathematics, psychology, and science and engineering subjects. Special strengths in anthropology, economics, English, science and technology studies, and Slavonic and East European Studies

**HOUSING:** Single or shared bedrooms are available in UCL-owned student houses and residence halls.

**FINANCIAL AID:** Students approved to study at UCL for Princeton credit may use financial aid to meet expenses. Students must complete a budget form, available from the Undergraduate Financial Aid Office. The budget should include tuition, room, board, travel, books, and personal expenses.

**APPLICATION DEADLINES:** March 14 for fall or full year; September 23 for spring
It should be noted that all lectures at UCL are open to all UCL students, unless specifically designated otherwise. Seminars, however, are restricted to those taking the particular course to which the seminar belongs. Credit for the course is given only to those who have attended the complete program of lectures and seminars.

Courses usually consist of weekly lectures that cover key texts. Lectures do not necessarily follow one consecutive theme. Instead, each lecture is a complete entity, covering one topic of the course. Each lecture is usually given by a different lecturer, who is a specialist in his/her topic. There is no set reading list, and so students should be prepared to read relevant texts. Each lecture course is intended to give a series of critical perspectives, rather than complete coverage.

Lecture courses normally include a seminar, which meets every two weeks for two hours. Topics for discussion do not depend on the lecture topic, but are chosen to provide for more detailed textual work on areas within the course. For these seminars, a bibliography or handouts of required reading are provided in advance.

Each student is assigned a personal tutor in the course, whom s/he sees for one hour usually twice a month. At these tutorials, a topic for an essay is chosen by joint consultation between tutor and student. It is then marked by the tutor and discussed at the ensuing tutorial, at which time the next topic is selected. Two papers are normally required for each English literature course per term.

**Student Life**
Princeton students will have the same access to libraries, computing facilities, and health services as do regularly enrolled UCL students. In addition to the UCL library, all students have access to the University of London Library, which is a few minute walk from campus.

The Student Union forms the focus of student’s social and cultural life at UCL. It is also the center of political and sporting activities. There are many student societies to join: special interest groups, cultural and religious groups, general interest groups such as the Debating Society, departmental societies, and sports clubs. There is a flourishing drama group at the College, and student productions of plays and operas are regularly put on at the College’s own semi-professional theater, the Bloomsbury Theater.

**Housing**
UCL owns a number of student houses and halls of residence, the majority of which are within a 15 minute walk of UCL, with the furthest being about two miles away. Single or shared study-bedrooms are available. Some accommodations provide meals. UCL-owned accommodation is generally considerably cheaper than private accommodation.

**Application Process**
The application is available at http://www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/international-students/study-abroad/overseas-students-at-ucl/undergraduate-affiliate-jya/ucl_affiliate_application_form.pdf. Applications must be submitted by **March 14** for the fall and **September 23** for the spring to the Office of International Programs. A complete application consists of the UCL application form for affiliate students, two letters of reference in sealed envelopes with the recommender’s signature on the flap, and an official Princeton transcript.

The Princeton Study Abroad Approval Form, available on the Office of International Programs website at http://www.princeton.edu/oip/sap/process/academicyear/forms/approval, is due by **November 1** for students applying to be abroad in the spring and by **May 1** for students applying to study abroad in the fall or for the full year. The Princeton approval form is reviewed by the Committee on Examination and Standing, which grants final approval to participate in the program. Students who have secured the approval of the Office of International Programs and their department are normally approved by the Committee.