

Estimated Program Fees Per Student for 2026-2027

	Per Semester	Per Academic Year
Concurrent Enrollment & International Student Fee	\$600	\$ 1,200
Health Insurance	\$1,000	\$2,000
Program Fee	\$ 7,000	\$ 9,500
Course Fees (\$885/unit, 12 units per semester) **	\$ 10,620	\$ 21,240
Housing **	\$ 12,596	\$ 22,932
<i>Pre-payment amount paid directly to International House</i>	\$ 1,750	\$ 1,750
TOTAL (estimate)**	\$ 31,816	\$ 59,132

** Pending final housing fees and course unit fees



Program Fee Due Dates

- Concurrent Enrollment Fee, International Student Fee, Health Insurance Fee:
 - These fees are invoiced directly by UC Berkeley Extension
 - All students are assessed these fees EVERY TERM that they apply and register for.
 - For more information, see <https://extension.berkeley.edu/static/studentservices/concurrent/>
- Program Fee:
 - These fees are invoiced by UC Berkeley Extension
- Courses Fee:
 - These fees are invoiced directly by UC Berkeley Extension
 - By the 3rd business day after the add/drop deadline, students will be invoiced for class fees and will be required to pay the invoice(s) in full by the term payment deadline.
 - Payment is generally due the Friday of the 7th week of instruction
 - FALL 2026 approximately due by: October 1st, 2026
 - SPRING 2027 approximately due by: March 1st, 2027
 - For more information, see <https://extension.berkeley.edu/static/studentservices/concurrent/>
- Housing Fees:
 - These fees will be paid directly to the International House
 - For more information, see <http://ihouse.berkeley.edu/payment/>
 - Room and board for the 2026-2027 Academic Year Contract must be paid in three installments for each semester. A detailed payment schedule will be provided upon your arrival. The first payment is not due until after our scheduled check-in.
 - If you have specific questions about payment options (i.e., setting up direct deposit or wire transfer), please contact our Resident Account Manager, Queenie Santos, at qcs@berkeley.edu or (510) 643-8316.

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Program Overview

The American and International Study Program provides the opportunity for students from selected universities to study American Politics and International Affairs at UC Berkeley. Students enroll in the program for either the fall or spring semester or the full academic year (late August–May). AISP oversees student enrollment at the University, arranges housing, provides advising and other support services, and issues a certificate of completion at the end of the students' stay. By providing orientations, luncheons, and meetings, the AISP program seeks to create a community of international students with similar interests who can make the most of their time abroad.

Admission

To apply, students must be nominated by their home university. Admission to AISP is determined by faculty with the Political Science Department and by the Berkeley Concurrent Enrollment Program. Only students in excellent academic standing at their home institutions and who have superior English language skills are selected for participation in the program.

In 2026-2027, we can accommodate up to 5 students per semester from your university. The Fall semester begins on August 26, 2026 and ends December 11, 2026; the Spring term begins January 20, 2027 and ends May 28, 2027.

The English language proficiency requirements are as follows:

- TOEFL: 90 Internet-based (iBT)
- IELTS: 7.0
- Cambridge Proficiency Exam: Pass
- Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English: Pass

Exceptions may be made on an individual basis for applicants who have completed a degree at a university in an English-speaking country and for applicants who are citizens of English-speaking nations.

Please note that these are the minimum language requirements. UC Berkeley courses are very rigorous and have heavy reading loads so students should feel that they are ready to take on that level of work in English.

Accommodations

Students participating in the AISP program are encouraged to stay in the world famous residence hall International House. Each semester International House is home to over 600 students from over 70 countries. International House is a beautiful building located right off the center of campus. In addition to providing housing and meals, it hosts many events throughout the year and is the former home to many Nobel Laureates, United Nations staff, Ambassadors and members of Royal families from across the globe. Students will stay in regular double accommodations. For more information, see <http://ihouse.berkeley.edu>

Note that housing at International House is on a space available basis. It is imperative to apply immediately upon program acceptance to increase the chances of room availability.



Curriculum

Students will take three courses per semester (12 units/semester) in Political Science. **While course offerings vary each semester and are subject to change**, the requirements for Fall 2026 and Spring 2027 are as follows:

Fall 2026:

- Political Science 1, Introduction to American Politics- 4 units
- Political Science 5, Introduction to International Relations-4 units
- Students will choose from a set of 4 unit Political Science courses for their 3rd course.

Spring 2027:

- Political Science 1, Introduction to American Politics- 4 units (New Students Only)
- Political Science 2, Introduction to Comparative Politics-4 units (New and Full Year Students)
- Political Science 149E, The Politics of Southeast Asia: Crisis, Conflict and Reform-4 units (New and Full Year Students)
- Students will choose from a set of 4 unit Political Science courses for their 3rd course. (Full Year Students Only)

Students must complete a minimum of 8 units per semester chosen from the required courses to receive the completion certificate. Students must complete 12 units in total to maintain a student visa.

Students wishing to take more than 12 units will be charged for the additional units.

Students will receive a grade report after the completion of coursework at the end of each term and a certificate of program completion at the end of their stay.