IAS News & Notes

Friday, April 24, 2020

KEY DATES

- **Wednesday, May 6, 2020, 11:59pm**: Late Drop Deadline
- **Friday, May 8, 2020, 11:59pm**: Deadline to change grading option from P/NP to letter grade
- **Friday, May 8, 2020**: Deadline to request an Expected Graduation Term for spring 2020
- **Friday, May 15, 2020**: Deadline to complete an Incomplete required for graduation

IAS HONORS PROGRAM FALL 2020-2021

Professor Ballenger will schedule an information session - to be held via Zoom - during RRR week. The exact date is yet to be determined, but two or three of this year's honors cohort will likely be present to answer questions about their experience.

Interested students should email Professor Ballenger directly at sballenger@berkeley.edu. Include the following information in your email message: Your full name; your UC Berkeley email address; Your major (Global Studies or Political Economy). If Global Studies, provide focus: Development, Peace and Conflict, Societies and Culture. If Political Economy, provide concentration topic.

Students will receive an email from Professor Ballenger with the date, time and information required to join the Zoom meeting.

Students should make sure that they meet the minimum requirements: Cumulative UCB GPA = 3.5; major GPA = 3.6. Admission to the program is contingent on a) the Professor’s approval of an initial proposal which is due on the first day of class in the fall (August 26, 2020) and b) securing a commitment from an adviser to serve as a "second reader." The deadline for this will be sometime during fall semester but students are encouraged to start thinking about this as early as possible. **General guidelines for how to prepare an initial proposal will be provided AFTER the information session.**
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P/NP GRADES FOR GLOBAL STUDIES & POLITICAL ECONOMY MAJORS

As you are aware, the UC Berkeley campus has made the default grading option for every course this term P/NP. You also have the option to select a letter grade option by May 8, 2020. The Interdisciplinary Social Science Programs (ISSP) which houses the Global Studies and Political Economy majors will accept P/NP grades for all lower-division and upper-division courses that count towards the major for the spring 2020 semester ONLY. This includes courses taken at UC Berkeley as well as other universities and community colleges. Again, we want to assure you that classes* taken this semester towards the Global Studies or the Political Economy major will satisfy major requirements even though you received P grades.

*See below for grading information related to GLOBAL 45 and GLOBAL 10A courses

GLOBAL 45 & GLOBAL 10A GRADING INFORMATION

Students are required to earn a B- or better in GLOBAL 45 in order to declare either the Political Economy or Global Studies major. In addition, students who want to declare Global Studies must also earn a C or better in GLOBAL 10A.

Even though grades are P/NP this term, instructors in these courses will be calculating grades as if they are not. That means that your instructors, Professors Gottreich and Zook will be keeping track of your grades using the standard letter grading plan. They will report the grades to the program’s advisors who can then determine whether or not you are eligible to declare one of these majors.

If you earn a B- or better in GLOBAL 45, whether or not you choose to have the letter grade on your transcript, you will be admitted to the major.

If you earn a C+ or a C in GLOBAL 45, you ordinarily will not be admitted to the major. For this semester only, we will allow you to be admitted to your selected major if you complete an upper-division course from the list below, in the academic year 2020-21, and earn a B- or better. If you do not earn at least a B- in one of those courses, you will need to find another major.

If you earn a C-, D+, D, or D-, you will receive a P grade. Please note that normally only grades of C- and above would be eligible for a P grade. We are therefore expanding the number of students who will Pass, but to be clear, students who receive any of these grades (C-, D+, D, or D-) will not be eligible for the majors.

- **POLECON COURSES:** POLECON 100; POLECON 101
- **GLOBAL STUDIES COURSES:** GLOBAL 100 (D, P, S); GLOBAL 110 (E, L, K, M, Q); GLOBAL 102
- **Questions?** Contact a major Advisor
UC BERKELEY LATIN AMERICA LEADERSHIP SOCIETY's FORUM

Querida America, The Stories and Testimonies of Migration: Friday, April 24, 2020 at 3pm

ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER CAPITOL ASSOCIATION (APICA) SUMMER 2020 INTERNSHIP

APICA is a non-partisan, non-profit organization comprised of legislative staffers, lobbyists, and advocates, as well as other API professionals in the Capital Community in Sacramento. As part of their community and staff development efforts, they are hosting a 10-week summer internship at the State Capitol in Sacramento from June 16-August 21, 2020. The internship is for current students, 21 years of age or older at the time of internship, who are interested in public policy and public service.

- Program provides participants with a $5,040 stipend, an orientation, and introduction to state government, and a substantive and meaningful work experience in legislative office in either the State Assembly or State Senate
- If interested in this internship, visit: APICA Internship
- Application Deadline: Friday, April 24, 2020
- Questions? Email: APICA.Internship@gmail.com

VIRTUAL EVENTS TO SUPPORT YOUR JOB/INTERNSHIP SEARCH

Are you looking for helpful strategies related to career exploration, job/internships, resume and cover letters, interviews, networking and graduate school? Here are some virtual events that might be of interest.

- L&S Career Chat Thursdays; Thursday, April 30, and May 7, 2020, drop-in anytime between 1pm and 5pm on Zoom and stay as long as you like
EAST ASIAN LANGUAGES & CULTURES (EALC) PROFICIENCY EXAMS

UC Berkeley's East Asian Languages and Cultures (EALC) department administers the proficiency exam once every semester. This is not a placement test. These tests are for those who are seeking to have their foreign language requirement waived.

FALL 2020

- **JAPANESE**: Monday, August 24, 2020; 2-4pm; B-21 Dwinelle
- **KOREAN**: Friday, August 28, 2020, 2-4pm; 3401 Dwinelle
- **CHINESE**: Friday, August 28, 2020, 3-5pm; B-21 Dwinelle
  - Email Lihua Zhang (zhanglihua@berkeley.edu) at least one day prior to exam. Include your student ID, email address, major, and background of learning. Friday, August 28, 2020
- For more information visit the [EALC webpage](https://ealc.berkeley.edu)

FULL-TIME/PART-TIME OPPORTUNITIES AT AXIOM LEARNING

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- Visit [Axiomlearning](http://www.axiomlearning.com) website to learn more about this organization as well as career opportunities
- To apply, send your resume and cover letter to [recruiting@axiomlearning.com](mailto:recruiting@axiomlearning.com) or submit your application via the Careers tab
SUMMER 2020: FEATURED COURSES

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, summer 2020 face-to-face courses are being offered via remote instruction. See below for a list of featured courses.

SESSION A, First 6-week Session: 5/26/2020 - 7/2/2020

- GLOBAL 108 001, #12836 (3 Units) Critical Issues in Global Studies, “Media and Cinema in Global Cultures”; Instructor: Paul, Abhijeet; M, Tu, W 01:00PM - 03:29PM
- GLOBAL 154M 001, #12837 (4 Units); Special Topics: Global Middle East, “The Middle East Post-Petroleum”; Instructor: Monshipouri, Mahmoud; M, Tu, W 05:00PM - 07:29PM
- IAS 120 001, 12740 (3 Units); Selected Topics – IAS,“Human Rights and Film”; Instructor: Schimmel, Noam; M, Tu, W 12:00PM - 02:29PM. This class will be taught via ASYNCHRONOUS REMOTE INSTRUCTION. Time conflicts ARE allowed for this class.
- IAS 120 002, 15069 (3 Units); Selected Topics – IAS,“Indigenous Peoples Cultures and Film”; Instructor: Schimmel, Noam; M, Tu, W 05:00PM - 07:29PM. This class will be taught via ASYNCHRONOUS REMOTE INSTRUCTION. Time conflicts ARE allowed for this class.
- POLECON N101 001, 12578 (4 Units); Contemporary Theories of Political Economy; Kadir, Khalid; Tu, W, Th 11:00AM - 01:29PM. This class will be taught via SYNCHRONOUS REMOTE INSTRUCTION.

SESSION C, 8-week Session: 6/22/2020 - 8/14/2020

- POLECON N100 001, 12570 (4 Units); Classical Theories of Political Economy; Instructor: Ashcroft, Richard; Tu, W, Th 02:30PM - 04:59PM
- IAS C118 001, 12805 (4 Units); Introductory Applied Econometrics; Instructor: TBD; M, Tu, W 10:00AM - 11:59AM; Also offered as: ENVECON C118; Discussion Section: IAS C118 101, 12806; Th 10:00AM - 11:59AM
- IAS C176 001, 12932 (4 Units); Climate Change Economics; Instructor: TBD; M, W, F 12:00PM - 01:59PM; Also offered as: ENER ES C176, ENVECON C176, Discussion Section: IAS C176 101, 12933 (4 Units); Tu, Th 12:00PM - 01:59PM

SESSION D, Second 6-week Session: 7/6/2020 - 8/14/2020

- GLOBAL 108 002, 12838 (3 Units); Critical Issues in Global Studies, “Imagining the Future from the Global South: Fiction, Film, Music”; Instructor: Jones, Donna V; M, Tu, W 10:00AM - 12:29PM. This class will be taught via ASYNCHRONOUS REMOTE INSTRUCTION. Time conflicts ARE allowed for this class.
- IAS N45 001, 12577 (4 Units); Survey of World History; Instructor: Denton, Chad; M, Tu, W, Th 10:00AM - 11:59AM. This class will be taught via SYNCHRONOUS REMOTE INSTRUCTION. Time conflicts ARE NOT allowed for this class.
- IAS N45 002, 12675; Survey of World History; Instructor: Denton, Chad; M, Tu, W, Th 02:00PM - 03:59PM. This class will be taught via SYNCHRONOUS REMOTE INSTRUCTION. Time conflicts ARE NOT allowed for this class.
- POLECON 111 001, 15177 (3 Units); Poverty and Social Policy; Instructor: Nathan, Laura; Tu, Th 10:00AM - 01:59PM. This class will be taught via ASYNCHRONOUS REMOTE INSTRUCTION. Time conflicts ARE allowed for this class.

SESSION E, 3-week Session: 7/27/2020 - 8/14/2020

- IAS 120 003, 15070 (3 Units); Selected Topics – IAS,“Human Rights and Film”; Instructor: Schimmel, Noam; M, Tu, W, Th 04:00PM - 07:29PM
- IAS 120 004, 15071 (3 Units); Selected Topics – IAS, “Commodities and Film”; Instructor: Bohling, Joe; M, Tu, W, Th 12:00PM - 03:29PM
COVID-19 STUDENT RESOURCES LINKS

- UC Berkeley Basic Needs Center: COVID 19 Living Guide
  (Very detailed and updated regularly)
- Tips for Student Self-Care during COVID-19
- Managing Fears and Anxiety Around Coronavirus (from University Health Services)
- Berkeley Student Learning Center Tutoring Services (Now available virtually)
- Technology Needs Assessment (For students with unmet technology needs)
- Student Tech Support Helpdesk (Monday through Friday by phone or email)
- Undocument Student Program Services
- COVID-19 Resources for Undocumented Californians (a wealth of info and resources for families including by region; from the CA Immigrant Youth Justice Alliance)
- UC Berkeley COVID 19 News, Resources & Updates
- CAL Messages Sent RE: COVID 19 [Cal Messages Archive; Calnet Sign-in Required]
- UC Berkeley Library Hours and Updates
- COVID-19 Q&A for Students (includes info on technology/housing/dining)
- Student Housing FAQs
- HOUSING: Spring Move-Out