Timeline for Visiting Students in the
Berkeley International Study Program in Letters and Science (BISP-LS)

February – April – Follow instructions at your university for applying to be nominated to study at UC Berkeley. The appropriate office at your university determines how many students to nominate, which students are qualified, and who to select. There may be an earlier deadline for applying to be nominated, please contact your coordinator for more information. It is recommended that students review the list of participating departments in order to start identifying potential areas of interest. The Fall 2019 course schedule will not be posted until early April.

If you are nominated, please obtain the following documents:
- ☐ A copy of your valid passport. (Use a scanner. Do not take a photo of it).
  - o If you do not have a passport, you should apply for it as soon as possible.
- ☐ A financial statement or a Certification of Deposit that shows you have the equivalent of at least $20,575 USD in your/your parent's bank. If you decide to get a Certification of Deposit, you will only need to freeze your money until August 1st.
- ☐ You will need a valid credit card (VISA or Master Card) by the time you fill out the UC Berkeley Extension application.
  - o Your credit card needs to have at least $200.00 - You may use your parent's or a family member's credit card.

Date varies – BISP-LS deadline to complete and send the UC Berkeley Extension International Concurrent Enrollment Application online is two weeks after receiving the invitation letter. If additional time is needed, please contact us to let us know.

IMPORTANT: Once UC Berkeley Extension receives your application, they will send you updates by email. You should enter an email address that you checked frequently onto your application. Once your application is processed, an acceptance packet will be sent to you or your international coordinator, at the address you listed on your application, by FedEx within 3-4 weeks after receipt of your application.

June/July/August - Check for emails from Jenny Cornet-Carrillo or Rachel Marquez or BISPinSoc with important information. Please save our program email addresses BISPinSoc@berkeley.edu or bisp@berkeley.edu in your email contact list, so that our emails do not go into a spam folder.

Late July/Early August - UC Berkeley Extension enrollment system is available online for you to set up your account and apply for courses. An email with step-by-step instructions on how to set up your account will be sent to you. We recommend setting up your account and applying for at least 4 of your courses, and at least 2 alternate courses, when you receive the instruction email.

ALL BISP STUDENTS MUST BE IN BERKELEY BY AUGUST 21, 2019. If you are unable to be in Berkeley by this date, you may wish to defer your participation to a later semester.

August TBA – Mandatory orientation for UC Extension. Exact date and time to be announced at a later date.

August TBA – Mandatory orientation for BISP. Exact date and time to be announced at a later date.

August 28 – Classes begin. All Monday-Wednesday-Friday classes meet for the first time on Wednesday August 28, and all Tuesday-Thursday classes meet for the first time on Thursday August 29. Classes that meet only one day a week, meet for the first time on that day once classes begin.

September 20 – Deadline for BISP-LS students to alter their course schedule. Students usually know what courses they want to take by the end of the second or the third week of the semester, and we recommend completing your enrollment then.

December 16-20, 2019 – Final exams are during this week. You should not plan to leave Berkeley until your exams are complete.