

BISP Certificate Program: Global Economies and Entrepreneurship

BISP Certificate Overview

The BISP Certificate in Global Economies and Entrepreneurship is intended for students interested in international business, economics, entrepreneurship, innovation, international careers, and other related areas.

In an increasingly interconnected world, it's essential to be prepared to understand and participate in a global economy. Studying abroad is a great opportunity to gain firsthand experience, and the BISP Certificate in Global Economies and Entrepreneurship offers students a comprehensive selection of interdisciplinary courses on a variety of global economic issues. While some courses may require a background in microeconomics and macroeconomics, it is possible to complete this certificate without any prior knowledge of economics.



"I love the Innovation and Entrepreneurship course! A lot of it has to do with the lecturer, Szonja [Ivester], because of her enthusiasm and honesty in class, but it's also because I feel like I grow and learn a lot that I wouldn't have anywhere else since The Bay Area really is where a lot of innovation takes place."

Hege Hansen, Political Science, University in Oslo

Learning Goals

By pursuing this BISP certificate, you will gain:

- UC Berkeley academic credit in a focused set of courses tailored to your interests in global economies and entrepreneurship.
- Faculty guidance on a culminating certificate project in which you will synthesize learnings and insight gained in your coursework and research at UC Berkeley.
- Research and analytical skills through approaching global economies and entrepreneurship from multiple perspectives.
- Communication and presentation skills through your participation in the BISP Certificate program and coursework.

Sample Courses

For a more complete list of pre-approved courses, click [here](#).

- Economic Demography
- The Global Elite
- The History of Technology in Asia since 1500
- Innovation and Entrepreneurship
- International Economy of the 20th Century
- Political and Economic Development
- Topics in Economics Research

About BISP

BISP provides study opportunities at UC Berkeley for visiting international and domestic students for one or two semesters. BISP supports its students beginning to end, and provides a robust set of activities to get to know students from around the world. Due to the pandemic we are mostly a virtual program, which provides unique opportunities for students to participate in our program near and far away. BISP sponsors qualified students by way of invitation to apply with UC Berkeley Extension who provide the means for enrolling in Berkeley courses on a space availability basis (many courses have space!), processes tuition and fees, and provides the necessary visa documents when possible for international students.

Applying for the BISP Certificate is Easy!

- Please fill out a **simple inquiry form on our Contact page**. We recommend doing this right away to receive relevant and timely information about the program and deadlines, and to ask questions.
- For more information about BISP Certificates, visit bisp.berkeley.edu/certificates
- Spring 2021: BISP Goes Virtual! More information is available at bisp.berkeley.edu/virtual

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