

## Financial Aid for UC Education Abroad (UCEAP) Students Frequently Asked Questions

**Q: What type of financial aid is available for UCEAP during the academic year?**

**A:** All types of financial aid are available, including institutional, state, and federal grants, scholarships, and federal and private loans.

**Q: Is financial aid available for summer only UCEAP programs?**

**A:** Summer financial aid is limited to summer Pell Grant, residual Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans from the academic year, and Parent PLUS Loans or private loans. Students may be eligible for a UCSD Summer Grant of approximately \$2000. Students with a low Expected Family Contribution (EFC) may be eligible for an EAP Grant of \$500.

**Q: How do I pay my UCEAP Program Fees?**

**A:** Financial Aid students are deferred from making payments until the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office notifies UCEAP of your financial aid award. UCEAP will apply financial aid toward your MyEAP bill and issue a refund if aid exceeds charges. If your financial aid is less than the EAP fees, you are responsible for the difference.

**Q: What fees do I pay if I have California College Fee Waiver Program (Cal Vet) benefits?**

**A:** The Cal Vet waiver is applied toward your UC Tuition Fee, Student Services Fee, pre-Intensive Language Program (ILP), and ILP instructional charges. All other fees remain your responsibility. Submit a copy of the confirmation of benefits award letter to the Student Finance team at UCEAP.

**Q: When will I receive my financial aid refunds?**

**A:** If your aid exceeds your EAP charges, refunds will be released from UCEAP as follows:

- Quarter/Semester Programs: 1 disbursement (approximately 2 weeks prior to the start date)
- Academic Year Programs: 3 disbursements (approximately 2 weeks prior to the start date; December 15, and March 15)
- Off-Cycle Year Programs: 4 disbursements (Winter/Spring: approximately 2 weeks prior to the EAP start date and March 15<sup>th</sup>; Fall: July 15 and September 15)

**Q: How can I receive my financial aid refund?**

**A:** Direct deposit: Sign up for eRefund on your MyEAP portal

Mail: Refunds will be sent to your U.S. address on MyEAP and take about 10 business days to process

*\*Please note: E-mail UCEAP if you change your address after the program pre-departure withdrawal date. The EAP office does not receive address updates from UCSD.*

**Q: What do I need to do to ensure the receipt of my Federal Direct Loans?**

**A:** First time Federal Direct Loan borrowers are required to complete a Federal Direct Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN). Additionally, complete the Entrance Loan Counseling on UCSD TritonLink.

**Q: What do I need to do to ensure the receipt of my University Loan?**

**A:** University Loan Promissory Notes must be submitted to the Student Financial Services office before funds can be disbursed.

**Q: What do I need to do to ensure the receipt of my Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan?**

**A:** First time Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan borrowers are required to complete a Direct Parent PLUS Master Promissory Note (MPN) before funds can be disbursed. Additionally, submit the Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan Request Form to the Financial Aid Office. Direct PLUS Loans can be paid to your parent/guardian, or applied directly to your EAP account.

**Q: What happens if there's a change to my financial aid package?**

**A:** Financial aid awards to EAP students are based on financial aid eligibility and are subject to change. Changes may affect your EAP account balance. You are responsible for payment of any fees and financial aid disbursements already received that are not covered by a reduced financial aid package.

**Q: If I withdraw from EAP, what financial implications will I face?**

**A:** If you withdraw, your program fees may be prorated, and others will be fully charged. Your financial aid will be repackaged, and you need to pay any outstanding balance immediately. If you enroll in a year-long EAP program and then withdraw after the completion of Fall semester which usually ends in December, your EAP financial aid will be repackaged to Fall only which is equivalent to one quarter instead of one semester of financial aid. Please be aware that the amount that you owe to UCEAP will be significant if a December refund has been paid to you when you withdraw.

**Q: What happens if I decide to extend my EAP Program?**

**A:** You must get approval by the UCEAP office to extend your program and your aid will be revised accordingly. A revised award notification will not be available in advance to help you decide to extend your stay. In general, if your EAP budget is higher than the UCSD budget, you will be offered additional loans to cover the increase. If your EAP budget is lower, you will receive less financial aid.

**Q: Who should I contact for finance-related issues?**

UCSD Financial Aid Office:

- Your financial aid award letter
- Changes to your financial aid
- Confirmation or acceptance of aid

UCEAP Student Finance:

- EAP refunds
- EAP program fees
- Account statements

Appointments and walk-in's available at the  
Study Abroad Office.

[studentfinance@eap.ucop.edu](mailto:studentfinance@eap.ucop.edu)