

Berklee College of Music

Summer Internship Program in London

Frequently Asked Questions

Which majors can apply?

This program is open to all majors, but will not fulfill degree and licensing requirements for Music Therapy and Music Education students.

How many Berklee credits is this program worth?

Interns will be required to intern at the internship site for approximately 20 hours week and attend a British Life and Culture class two-days per week. Participants will earn 6-credits upon successful completion of the program.

What semester do I need to be to participate in this program?

You must have a minimum of 5th semester-standing and/or completion of 50 Berklee credits.

Can Berklee alumni participate in this program?

Yes, but if there are more applications than space available in the program, priority will be given to currently enrolled students.

Am I eligible for financial aid if I participate in this program?

Yes, in order to be eligible for financial aid you must be enrolled at least as a “half-time” student. With this program, you will be enrolled “half-time”, therefore eligible for a partial aid package. Check with your financial aid advisor for details.

Will I need to obtain a work visa to intern in London?

Yes, you will need to obtain Entry Clearance to participate. The cost to the student is approximately \$200. Upon acceptance into the program, you will be given information on how to apply for and obtain Entry Clearance. The only exception to this requirement is if you are a citizen of the European Union (have an EU passport).

Are any of the internships in London paid positions?

No, all internships through the London Internship Program are unpaid.

Will my current scholarship apply to the cost of this program?

It depends on the scholarship. Check with the Office of Scholarships and Student Employment to find out for sure.

What types of internships are available in London?

London is one of Europe’s largest cities, as well as one of the world’s leading cultural and artistic centers. Internship placements will be based on your area of interest, as it relates to your major. Some possible areas are musical theatre, record labels, radio, music venues, advertising/public relations, recording studios, etc. If you are accepted into the London Internship Program you will be guaranteed an internship placement.

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What are the dates of the Summer 2009 Program?

Students will be expected to move into the housing on May 25, 2009 and will be expected to move out of the housing on August 1, 2009.

If I am a Music Business major, will an internship through the London Internship Program fulfill my internship requirement?

Yes, an internship taken for credit through the London Internship Program that closely relates to your major may fulfill the Music Business internship requirement by means of Credit By Exam (CBX). For more details, ask the OEL and your Department Chair.

Can I do this internship in addition to IN-497, XX-495 and IN-295?

Yes, you may only participate in the London Internship Program once, but may complete it in addition to the Los Angeles Internship Program (IN-497), Major Specific Internship (XX-495) and the Introductory Internship (IN-295).

My parents live in London, can I waive the assigned Berklee housing?

The London Internship Program integrates academics and experiential learning through internship participation and the Berklee community through living in student housing in order to promote career development and personal growth. Living together as a cohort of students provides a safe and comfortable living/learning community that supports educational, emotional, and social development/growth. We require all students that participate in this program to live in the apartment assigned by Berklee College of Music in London.

The housing is centrally located and all apartments are within a short walk to tube stations. The apartments are furnished and come equipped with a full Housewares Package.

Are meals included in the housing cost?

No, you are responsible for your own meals. All apartments have full kitchens.

Will I need a car while in London?

No, London has an exceptional public transportation system, which includes both subway and bus routes. You are responsible for the cost of all transportation while living in London, as well as the cost of airfare to and from London.

Will any student employment (work study) positions be available in London?

No, there will be no student employment positions available.

Do programs like this exist in other cities?

Berklee's Los Angeles Internship Program is also a residential internship program. Additionally, you may participate in the major specific internship (XX-495) in any city of your choice. See the Office of Experiential Learning for more details.

Applications are available in the Office of Experiential Learning.

If you have more questions, please contact the Office of Experiential Learning.

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