Join UCEAP Alumni on a Tour of Hong Kong and China
Help us celebrate our 50th Anniversary!

UCEAP is excited to announce our next alumni reunion tour in celebration of our 50th anniversary of UC study abroad programs in Hong Kong. For this once in a lifetime event, we have partnered with China Advocates (travel partner for UCLA and UC Berkeley) to plan an unforgettable 10 day trip to Hong Kong, Shanghai and Hangzhou. Join other UCEAP alumni as we explore the exhilarating metropolis of Shanghai, connect with current UC students in Hong Kong, and visit the classical elegance and cultural center of Hangzhou. Additional tour extensions to Beijing, Xian, Huang Mountains, Guilin, and Longsheng are also available.

This tour is open to all UCEAP alumni and guests from any country of study. Alumni from our Hong Kong programs are encouraged to participate and will be honored at our 50th Anniversary Gala celebration in Hong Kong. Tour Itinerary and information is available here. For more information about upcoming alumni events, visit us online at www.eap.ucop.edu/alumni or
Finding Home: UCEAP Thailand Study Abroad
Professor and alumnus Robert McCann

Professor Robert McCann, Associate Dean of Global Initiatives and faculty member in the Management and Organizations’ area at the UCLA Anderson School of Management, is no stranger to studying abroad. He ran with the bulls in Pamplona, Spain as a part of a high school summer program, spent his entire junior year studying (and eating lots of tapas) in Madrid, and experienced an intellectually stimulating summer at Oxford University in England, also as an undergrad. However, Dr. McCann's most life-changing adventures were two successive UCEAP study abroad program trips that he took to Chiang Mai, Thailand when studying for his Master’s degree at UCLA. Continue reading here.

US-Japan Bridging Scholar Dines with US Ambassador
Terrific opportunities during year at Waseda University

UC Berkeley senior Lorenzo Chavez, Jr, a Sociology major studying at Waseda University for the year, was recently invited to attend a luncheon held by the US-Japan Bridging Foundation at the US Ambassador to Japan’s home. In fact, Lorenzo was seated at Ambassador Kennedy’s table and was asked to speak to the group about his experience in Japan.

Lorenzo writes: “The luncheon was absolutely amazing. The people we met included CEO's and Presidents of companies, including the President of the American
Chamber of Commerce Japan, high level people from companies like Toyota, Exxon Mobil, AIG, etc. Then there was the Ambassador! During the entire event, I was in disbelief that I had been invited to something like this. It was one of the greatest experiences of my life. It's definitely something I'm never going to forget.

UC Students are Cooking in Rome!
 Culinary evening supports local farmers and cuisine

Included in the extracurricular activities of the Rome through the Ages program is a cooking class with Breaking Bread Rome, a small business dedicated to spreading local food knowledge and supporting sustainable farming by hosting culinary evenings.

UCEAP students learn not only traditional preparation methods for classic Roman dishes but also discover the cultural and historical significance of the food. Classes are hands-on and students are walked through every step. The 7-course menu in a recent class included such delicious dishes as bruschette con salsa verde, spaghetti cacao e pepe, insalata di finicchio and, of course, tiramisu.

La Libération de Lyon - 70th anniversary
UCEAP students participate in commemorative parade

On Sept. 3rd, thousands of Lyonnais flooded the streets to watch the 70th anniversary parade of the liberation of Lyon from Nazi Germany in 1944.

Among the celebrants were four UC Berkeley students who had just arrived in Lyon to study with UCEAP. They were invited to ride in the parade, and featured in the city's newspaper. Test your language skills by
UCLA Alumni Welcome to Scotland Event
Local alumni tackle quiz with current students

On October 2nd, UCLA UCEAP students studying in Edinburgh and Glasgow were joined by distinguished Bruin alumni based in Scotland for the first ever “UCLA Welcome to Scotland” event. The Bruins gathered at the Edinburgh Study Centre for a wonderful night of food, fun and an exciting pub quiz! Among some of the Bruin alums that joined the 6 UCEAP students were former Scottish MP Calum MacDonald, University of Edinburgh Professor of Islamic and Arabic Studies Dr. Andrew Newman, his wife and fellow Bruin alum Margaret Newman, PhD candidate at Edinburgh Business School Duncan Chapple, and University of Edinburgh Administrator Aiko Harman.

The evening began with a presentation on UCEAP by UK Study Centre Programme Manager, Hilary Noyce, who discussed the variety of international exchange opportunities offered to students through UCEAP. Then, UCLA Alumna and Chancellor's Fellow at Edinburgh University, Dr. Bonnie Auyeung, acted as “Quiz Master” for the main event of the evening: a very exciting and energetic pub quiz that tested teams on a variety of Scottish, American and UCLA trivia. The event concluded with a wine and canapés reception where the Bruin alumni and UCEAP students were able to share advice, questions and contacts. To cap-off the night, in true UCLA fashion, the group gathered to perform the infamous UCLA “8-Clap” ritual together. Overall, the evening was a great success and provided UCEAP Scotland participants a wonderful opportunity to network with their fellow Bruin community in Scotland!

King's College London student writes about UC Davis
Discovering Davis's arts scene
King's College London student Zoe Sharples attended UC Davis during winter/spring 2014 and served as an arts reporter for the campus newspaper, The California Aggie.

She writes, “UC Davis is an inclusive and welcoming community with lots of opportunities. Studying abroad enhanced my academics as well as allowed me to make friends from all over the world. Traveling to San Francisco, San Diego, Lake Tahoe and Mount Shasta among other places was a highlight. In March, I became a writer for the arts desk at The California Aggie. I worked with an inspiring team to produce weekly articles which were relevant to the Davis community. Interviewing up and coming bands and established artists, dance groups and dramatists was particularly interesting. My time at The Aggie has provided me with skills which will be extremely useful as I pursue journalism as a career. “Go Aggies!