**Program Updates**

Students who enrolled in UCSB’s Education Abroad Program (EAP) for the 2021-22 academic year should continue to receive email updates and event invitations. However, due to the ongoing pandemic, we are making changes to how we communicate.

- **Three Updates:**
  1. **New EAP Staff:** Jeneen Mustafa (left) and Sam Lipiec (right) joined the UCSB EAP staff this 2021-22 year.
  2. **New Programs:** New UCSB EAP Staff are recruiting for 2022-23 programs and are meeting with many students who are eager to study abroad next year.
  3. **Post-Pandemic Programs:** While there have been some program cancellations due to the ongoing pandemic, winter/spring 2022 programs are proceeding as scheduled. We are working to keep the dream alive.

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