

Morocco

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Exotic yet contemporary Rabat is the seat of government and port gateway to North Africa's fabled locales including Casablanca, Tangier and the Saharan desert. The multilingual, academic setting lends itself to studies of modern Moroccan politics, culture and religion in relation to the Arab world and the West. You may also volunteer with NGOs, women's groups, schools, and government agencies.

Program	Arabic Language & Culture, Rabat
Requirements	• 2.5 cumulative GPA at the time of application and maintained through departure
	• Sophomore, Junior, Senior
	No language requirement
When	• Fall: early September to late December
Coursework	24 UC quarter units; 5 classes
	Attend classes with American students at the CIEE Study Center in Rabat. During the frist two weeks of the program study Intensive Moroccan Colloquial Arabic. During the regular semester, all students enroll in Modern Standard Arabic and three other courses.
	Courses taught in English are available in the subject areas of African Studies, Communication, Gender Studies, International Studies, Political Science, Religious Studies, and Sociology. A History/Political Science class taught in French is available, as is the option to continue studying Moroccan Colloquial Arabic. Additionally, students may substitute 1 course with guided research , or an internship with a government agency or a local or intl. development organization.
	The program includes trips to Marrakesh, Essaouira, Fez, and Chefchaouen (including community development activities), as well as a series of required and optional cultural activities and field trips around Rabat, including the Kasbah, Medina, Chellah ruins, Andalucian Gardents, Atlas Mountains, an Amazigh village, local elementary schools, government agencies, souks, markets, concerts, and theater performances. Volunteering opportunities are available and very popular.
Housing	Live with an Arabic-speaking or French-speaking host family. Homestays provide clues to understanding Moroccan culture and a glimpse into the generosity, tolerance, and diversity of the Moroccan family. Families are carefully selected by local CIEE staff members and matched carefully according to student preferences. Most homes combine Western and traditional Moroccan elements, and families are typically multilingual. You will have your own room. Host families provide breakfast and dinner on weekdays and additional meals on the weekend. All students commute to class via public transportation or taxi.
Application Window	Fall Semester 2024: Nov. 1, 2023 - Feb. 1, 2024

Scholarships

- Studying Arabic in Morocco is highly desireable for all scholarships, especially the Gilman. See eap.ucsb.edu/finances/scholarships for a full list scholarships!
- After you submit your UCEAP application you will be asked to complete a CIEE application, which contains these CIEE scholarship applications:
 - CIEE Global Access Initiative (GAIN) Grants- up to \$1,500. Guaranteed for all Pell-eligible applicants on a first-come, first-served basis.
 - CIEE Gilman Go Global Grants- \$2,500. **Guaranteed** for all qualified Gilman International Scholarship applicants regardless of whether they are awarded a Gilman. Plus, Go Global Grant recipients are guaranteed a GAIN Grant, too!
 - CIEE Merit and other scholarships!

COST COMPARISON



Fees listed are estimates, rounded to the nearest \$50, and subject to change.

[†]UCSB Financial Aid Office 2023-24 cost of attendance for undergraduate California residents living off-campus who entered UC fall '22 (other students must determine their costs based on the <u>cohort-based tuition</u> for the year they entered UC).

^{*}Estimate based on UCEAP 2023-24 costs include: UC tuition for students who entered UC fall '22, program fees, predeparture expenses, round trip airfare, room & board, books, travel insurance, and other incidental expenses. Not included in fall/spring/year costs: Non-Resident Fees (if applicable), \$363/quarter UC Student Health Insurance (UC SHIP).