

International Student Orientation: Academic & Classroom Culture



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Welcome new Anteaters!




Take a moment to introduce
yourself to two new people near
you.

This room is the site of a
freshman lecture class at UCI!

UCI vs. Other Classroom Cultures

- Class Size
- Timing
- Teaching Style
- Learning Expectations
- Homework & Exams
- Flexibility
- Academic Integrity


Timing

UCI	Other Institutions
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quarter system: 4 terms including Fall, Winter, Spring, and Summer• Each term 10 weeks long 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Semester system: 2 terms including Fall & Winter-Spring• Trimester system: 3 terms including Fall, Winter-Spring, and Summer• 15-16 week terms

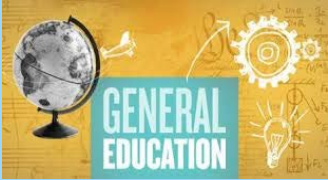
Teaching Style

UCI	Other Institutions
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Informal classroom structure: <i>Questions encouraged</i>• <i>Student participation expected</i>: Attend class, ask questions/comments, participate in group work• Instructors may be faculty (Lecture) or Graduate Students (Discussion or Lab)• Integration of research (knowledge produced by UCI faculty) into course content	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Many models<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Formal classroom structure<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Students expected to remain silent; speak only when asked○ Student participation may not be expected○ Most instructors are faculty○ Textbook oriented

Learning Expectations, Homework, Exams

UCI	Other Institutions
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Analysis & “critical thinking” often required• Learning in class & from homework<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily/weekly• Papers• Online• Midterms & Finals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Memorization often required• Infrequent homework• Final Exam only 

Flexibility

UCI	Other Institutions
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Flexibility for individual student: Can choose from variety of subjects; can change classes easily● Everyone takes General Education (GE) classes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Inflexibility for individual student: Must choose fixed plan of study; changes are difficult to make● May be much more focused by beginning of University

Academic Integrity

UCI students are responsible for :

- Completing all academic assignments according to the *expectations* of each individual instructor for that assignment.
 - Essential to find out expectations!
 - Read the Assignment/Syllabus carefully
 - Ask questions
 - Consequences can be huge...

What did last year's students tell us about the academic help they need?

1. Course Content (81%)
2. Writing (57%)
3. English (55%) – speaking second to writing
4. Other
 - Time Management
 - Study Skills

Course Content Help

- Department Tutoring Programs
 - Biology, Chemistry, Math, Physics, Computer Science, Economics
 - Ask your instructor if there is one for your class
 - Free, Drop-in, don't enroll
- LARC (*Learning & Academic Resource Center*) Tutorials
 - Biology, Chemistry, Criminology, Economics, Math, Physics, Statistics
 - Ask your instructor if there is one for your class
 - Inexpensive; must enroll & attend regularly (see <http://www.larc.uci.edu/>)
- Study Groups
- Instructor(s) – Office Hours!!!

Writing Assistance

- Writing Center consultants

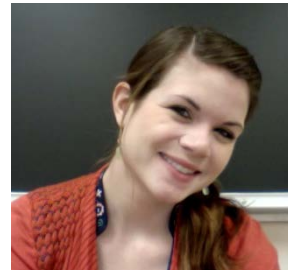
- Make 1-hr. appointments online
- Sign up at least 2-3 weeks ahead
- Don't wait until the night before!

- Peer Writing Tutors

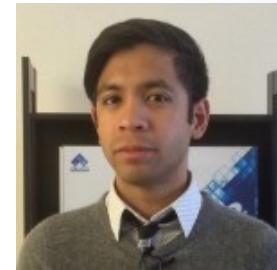
- Drop in, but shorter appointments
- Very helpful, but not specialists for students for whom English is not 1st language
- At Library, Writing Center and Residence Halls

- For more information

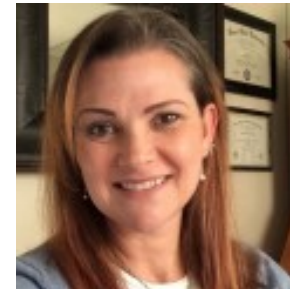
See: <http://www.writingcenter.uci.edu/>



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English Speaking Help

- Academic English Class – sign up this quarter & take every quarter
- Office Hours
- Class Participation
- Conversation Groups
 - Writing Center “Conversation Hour” – contact the Writing Center now for date and time of first get together
 - International Center “English Conversation Program”
 - 1.3 unit course (University Affairs 1A – Student Participation)
 - Offered every quarter
 - No exams; all levels of English welcome
 - Information is online at <http://www.ic.uci.edu/Programs/ecp.php>

Other Resources/Tips



- Time Management / Study Skills
 - LARC workshops – FREE!!!
 - Begin week 2
 - Sign up online to reserve a spot (drop in too!)
 - Other Topics too! Each offered several times per quarter..
 - surviving lecture
 - academic reading
 - preparing for exams
 - memory & concentration
 - University Studies 1 class – enroll now or in winter
 - LARC study skills course – University Studies 93 (W, Sp)
 - Your school workshops or courses (e.g. Bio 2A)
- Further TIPS....

Attend Class!!!



- Attendance:
 - Some instructors pay attention to attendance; others do not.
 - You may lose credit for not attending or for being late to class.
- What to do if you need to miss class.
 - Find someone in class with whom you can exchange names and email as contact in case you or they need to miss class.
 - Contact them for the notes for the class you missed
 - If an emergency causes you to miss an assignment or an exam, email the professor as soon as you can and be prepared to show documentation for the problem.

Faculty Office Hours

- All faculty have them
- Posted on the syllabus and maybe elsewhere in the course website
- Reasons to Go
 - Get to know your professor
 - Faculty need to know you are engaged in the course
 - Get your questions answered about the course



Go to Faculty Office Hours!!

- Preparation
 - Be on time!!!
 - First come, first served vs. appointment
 - Be prepared with specific questions about the course
- Etiquette (What to do)
 - Title: Professor or Dr.
 - Let them see you're there – wait for them to invite you in
 - Tell them who you are – name, year, major
 - Use the time wisely – get your questions answered

E-mail your professor

- Not this way:

yo, dude. it is me. in ur class. can't b there. lol

- This way:

Dear Professor [name],

This is Victoria Basolo. I am in your Social Ecology 10 class on M,W,F at 10 am. My TA's name is Janet Bennett. I am going to miss class/the exam next week because of a conflict with a mandatory performance of the UCI orchestra off campus. I will bring confirmation from my instructor. How can I arrange a make up?

Thank you, V. Basolo

Address the faculty professionally!

Use standard English

Identify yourself and the course you have with this instructor

Participate in Class

- Participation:
 - Ask questions in class.
 - Answer questions in class.
 - Work in small groups.
 - OK to take notes on laptop in class if instructor allows computers.
 - **TURN OFF CELL PHONES - NO USING CELL PHONES IN CLASS**



Read E-mail from your Advisor!!

SCHOOL	ADVISOR
Arts	Megan Enciso
Biological Sciences	Sherry Ong
Business	Jaycee Chu
Education	Denise Early
Engineering	Christy King
Humanities	Jessica Rice
ICS	Kris Bolcer, Neha Rawal
Nursing	Julie Aird
Pharmaceutical Sciences	Saeng Douangdara
Physical Sciences	Mike Tawney
Public Health	Stephanie Leonard, Cindy Wolff
Social Ecology	Melissa Martinez
Social Sciences	Helen Morgan
U/U	Bryan Munoz

Use Electronic Education Environment (EEE)

- My EEE (eee.uci.edu)
 - Course Websites
 - Dropbox
 - ClassMail
 - Online Quizzes
 - Grades
 - Classroom location
 - More!!

My EEE



Hi, Alice Study Logout Remove Proxy

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MyCalendar

< August >

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31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

No events on Aug 26th, 2016.

Go to: [Calendar](#) | [MyPlanner](#)

Google Apps for UCI

★ Learn more & sign up

Start Page

Gmail

Docs

Sites

MyStudentClasses

Customize Help

Download: [Schedule as iCal](#)

UCI 101 INTRO TO IRVINE Lec A (99102) [Website](#) [Class Dashboard >](#)

MWF, 10:00 am -10:50 am, MSTB 212 ANTEATER, P.

Grades | Quiz | Dropbox | Chat | Evaluate | MessageBoard | Mail Archive | SignupSheet | Survey | Podcasts |

[Classmates](#)

UCI 101 INTRO TO IRVINE Lec C (99103) [Website](#) [Canvas Course Space](#)

TuTh, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm, SST 104 Zot Zot, M.

[Survey](#) | [Classmates](#)

[Go to EEE Canvas course space](#) — [Learn more about EEE Canvas](#) →

Registration: [WebSOC](#) | [WebReg](#) | [Waitlist Info](#) | [Central Cashier](#) | [Summer School](#) [Missing Classes?](#)

MyGrades

Customize Help

Class Dashboard - EEE

TEST 101 LEC A: LANGUAGE OF ANTS (99197)

Dashboard [Classmates](#) [Change class](#)



10:00 am – 10:50 am in [Multipurpose Science & Technology Bldg. \(MSTB 246\)](#)

[Class Website](#) [Mail Archives](#)

TOOLS

[Website](#)
<https://eee.uci.edu/14f/99197>

[Chat](#)
No chat rooms

[SignupSheet](#)
No signup sheets

[Evaluations](#)
2 evaluations

[Survey](#)
No surveys

[Grades](#)
No released assignments

[MessageBoard](#)
1 message board

[Calendar](#)
No class events

[Quiz](#)
1 quiz

[ClassMail](#)
1 message

[Podcasts](#)
No podcasts

[DropBox](#)
3 dropboxes

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STUDENTS

2 enrolled students

[View in Classmates >](#)

Class Dashboard – EEE Canvas



ANTHRO 2A LEC B (60010) > Modules

Summer I 2015

- Home
- Syllabus
- Announcements
- Grades 11
- People
- Chat

Anthropology 2A

- Welcome to Introduction to Sociocultural Anthropology!
- Syllabus.pdf
- TA Virtual Office Hours Forum
- Discussion Post Grading Rubric (updated).pdf
- Summer Add/Drop Deadlines [↗](#)
- Online Student Resources
- Pre-Class Survey for Online Students
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[View Course Stream](#)

Coming Up [View Calendar](#)

Nothing for the next week

Recent Feedback

Nothing for now

Use Class Dashboard

- Class [Websites](#)
 - Assignments, Readings
 - Timelines, Policies
 - Dynamic – don't print – Bookmark!
- [Syllabus](#)
 - probably linked on website
 - may also get in paper
 - like a contract
- How to find your class!

Finding Your Classes

- [Link from Dashboard](#)
- [Home page interactive campus map](#) (uci.edu)
 - Click on “Campus Maps” link in “*Visit UC Irvine*” bucket
 - Click on either “Main Campus Core” (*Maps* bucket) or “Click to launch” (*Interactive Campus Map* bucket)
- [UCI Map](#) - Android app (Play Store - free)
- [UCI Map](#) - iPhone app (App Store – \$0.99)
- IPG Mentor Mini Class Tours
 - Friday (9/18) from 10 am-12 noon (flagpoles near Aldrich Hall)
 - Mentor will e-mail you for your schedule to tailor it

Mini Quiz

- Where can you find a list of all of your classes?
- Where are two places you can you go if you need help with writing an essay?
- What are two reasons why you should go to office hours?
- Where are two places you can get tutoring for Math or Biology classes?
- What are two things that you can find on your Class Dashboard?
- What is one way to participate in class?
- What is one way to find your classroom?

Questions???