

AGREEMENT
FOR THE EXCHANGE OF PHD STUDENTS

between

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY INSTITUTE OF EUROPEAN STUDIES
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Director, Institute of European Studies

and

UNIVERSITY OF UPPSALA
Represented by Vice-Chancellor Eva Åkesson

INTRODUCTION

The UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY and the UNIVERSITY OF UPPSALA share a common interest in establishing relations regarding educational, cultural and scientific exchanges as agreed in a Memorandum of Understanding established in 2017. In furtherance of their mutual interests in teaching and research, desire to strengthen mutual contact, and as a contribution to increased international cooperation the UC BERKELEY INSTITUTE OF EUROPEAN STUDIES, USA, hereinafter referred to as IES, and the UNIVERSITY OF UPPSALA, SWEDEN, hereinafter referred to as UU, have entered into the following AGREEMENT. The purpose of this AGREEMENT is to establish the terms and conditions under which the exchange of PhD students between both institutions shall take place.

EXCHANGE REGULATIONS

1. UU agrees to invite up to two (2) PhD students from IES for duration between one (1) to three (3) months per academic year to Uppsala.

IES agrees to invite up to two (2) PhD students from UU for duration of one (1) to three (3) months to Berkeley.

2. While balanced numbers in every year may not be possible, efforts will be made to have balanced numbers exchanged over a three (3) year period.

Each institution will apply its own procedure in nominating PhD students for the exchange program. Each sending institution will follow the exchange application and nomination deadlines set by the receiving institution. The host institution has the right of refusal of any candidate who may appear unacceptable or unsuitable for the exchange.

Application materials, including a cv, of the selected candidates will be sent to the coordinator of the partner institution.

Both institutions will promote the program through a website and inform interested parties about the application and nomination procedure.

Applicants need to be selected at least 6 months before the beginning of the planned stay abroad. Desired arrival and program start dates may require adjustment if the required visa applications process or scheduling by the host institution dictates.

3. PhD students from UU and IES will receive visiting student researcher status within the exchange.

COSTS & VISA

4. The participants in the exchange will not pay tuition fees to the host institution.

PhD students from UU will cover all costs associated with their stay at IES, including the regular DS-2019 processing fee, VSPA University Services fee, Department of Homeland Security SEVIS processing fee and U.S. Embassy/Consulate J-1 visa application fee. IES waives USD 2,000 administrative fee for UU-participants accepted to IES.

PhD students from IES cover all costs associated with their stay at UU, including visa fees and health insurance. Uppsala will grant a scholarship of EUR 1,500 per month to accepted PhD students from IES, not exceeding 3 months of scholarship (or EUR 4,500) for one participant. The scholarships will be paid directly to the selected students upon arrival in Uppsala. No money will be sent to IES.

ORIENTATION & SERVICES

5. Participants will need to make their own travel and housing arrangements.
6. At IES, the coordinator of the exchange will, within his/her competence, provide UU students with necessary information for the visa application. Each student will receive a Visiting Student Researcher appointment that will include library privileges, e-mail, and other campus facilities. Students from UU will be involved in all IES activities and will be able to take advantage of the IES affiliated faculty network and student working groups. IES staff will assist students from UU to obtain a graduate student study carrel at the UC Berkeley Main Library, where wifi is available and books from the library may be kept during their three-month stay on the Berkeley campus. Printers and scanners are also available.
7. At UU, the coordinator of the exchange will, within his/her competence, provide IES-PhD students necessary information and documents for the visa application. Each IES-PhD student will be provided his/her workspace and will have access to wifi at UU. Participants in the exchange will have the same access to University facilities as full PhD student members of the host University.
8. In the spirit of the exchange the host institution will within its competence support the academic progress, physical relocation and cultural orientation of exchange participants from the home institution.

COORDINATION

9. Both parties will appoint an individual to act as the coordinator for the exchange. The exchange is coordinated through Jeroen Dewulf at IES, and through Torsten Svensson at UU. If the person of the coordinator changes, this shall informally be reported to the partner institution and shall not in any way affect this AGREEMENT.

RULES & REGULATIONS

10. Exchange PhD students are subject to the applicable rules and regulations of the host institution. Each party's rights, title and interest in its intellectual property and confidential information remain unaffected by this AGREEMENT.
11. Both parties shall abide by the principle of equal opportunity and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, age, ethnicity, religion or national origin in the administration of the AGREEMENT.
12. Participants in the exchange are not degree candidates and cannot become degree candidates without applying for admission. Participation in the exchange will not attract preferential status.
13. Participants cannot be employed or receive a salary from the host institution.
14. Participants in the exchange must ensure that they have adequate health and accident insurance coverage.

15. PhD students in the exchange are subject to the rules and regulations of the host institution. Except as explicitly set forth herein, neither Party shall have any obligations, financial or otherwise, to the other for any exchange activities unless agreed to by the parties in a writing executed by each party's duly authorized representatives. Furthermore, the host institution may, within thirty (30) days of the scheduled arrival of any visitor, cancel the visit, if conditions of the AGREEMENT are not met by the home institution or the student/faculty, without liability. The host institution reserves the right to dismiss any participating student at any time for considerable academic or personal misconduct. The dismissal of a participant shall not abrogate the AGREEMENT for the arrangements regarding other participants.
16. No amendment to any provision of this AGREEMENT shall be effective unless in writing and signed by each party.
17. Neither party shall assign any of its rights or obligations under this AGREEMENT without the prior written consent of the other party.


DURATION, AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION

18. The parties will review the terms of the AGREEMENT on a regular basis to assess the success of the exchange, and will determine whether to continue, modify or discontinue the AGREEMENT. Each party has the right to terminate this AGREEMENT by giving three (3) months prior written notice to the other. Such termination will not affect any exchange of academics or administrative staff taking place at the time of termination; exchange participants already staying at the host institution will be allowed to complete the exchange.
19. This AGREEMENT may only be amended in writing either by the exchange of letters between the two institutions or by signing an amending AGREEMENT. Such amendments, once approved by both parties, will form part of the AGREEMENT.
20. Unless validly terminated earlier, this AGREEMENT will remain in effect for a period of three (3) years from the date of the last signature. It may be renewed afterwards.

This AGREEMENT is written in English and both parties retain one copy each of the authentic texts.

In agreement with the above terms of participation, the authorized representatives of the UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BERKELEY, Institute of European Studies and UNIVERSITY OF UPPSALA hereby affix signatures.


For
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