INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

The Celtic Studies major is designed to give students both a broad understanding of the place of Celtic languages and cultures, and a firm grounding in one or more Celtic language. We offer language instruction in Modern Irish and Modern Welsh. The Celtic Studies major has an innovative linkage of language and literature-in-translation courses intended to allow students maximum flexibility in pursuing their studies.

ADDITIONAL OPTIONS

- Celtic Studies accepts freshmen and transfer students.
- Already have an intended major but interested in Celtic Studies? Consider a Celtic minor or double major. Our students have also studied Computer Science, Linguistics, History, Anthropology.
- Immerse yourself in Celtic language and literature through study abroad.
- Apply for a FLAS award to support your language study.
- Attend the California Celtic Conference.
- Apply for the Scotty Ross Memorial Scholarship for Celtic Studies students.

HOW TO USE THIS MAP

Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UC Berkeley, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone’s Berkeley experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

CONNECT WITH US

Cal Day
Come to UC Berkeley’s annual Open House in April for information sessions, campus tours, special talks, and more.

Golden Bear Orientation
Join your peers in the campus-wide UC Berkeley orientation program for all new students.

Events
Attend department events with students, faculty, and staff. Visit celtic.berkeley.edu for news and updates.

ADVISING

Students can drop in to 6303A Dwinelle Hall to speak with an advisor or email questions to issaug@berkeley.edu.

Advising Drop-In Hours:
Monday - Friday 8:30am-5pm

Visit celtic.berkeley.edu for more information, including all major and minor requirements.

UC Berkeley’s is the first degree-granting Celtic Studies program in North America, starting in 1911.

AMPLIFY YOUR MAJOR

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CELTIC STUDIES
Bachelor of Arts

Explore your major

- Meet with your major and college advisor to discuss your academic plans.
- Review major and college requirements.
- Enroll in L&S and HUM 10 (Compass Courses) and learn about study options in L&S and the Arts & Humanities.

Connect and build community

- Get hands-on mentoring with Berkeley Connect and L&S Mentors Program.
- Find study groups, tutoring, and academic support at the Student Learning Center.
- Explore the Berkeley Language Center.

Discover your passions

- Discover new interests in a Freshman Seminar or student-run DeCal course.
- Visit the Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarships.
- Continue exploring with a Sophomore Seminar, Big Ideas Course or Discovery Course.
- Assist faculty and graduate students in their research through URAP and SMART.
- Build your research skills in HUM 101: Research Bootcamp.

Engage locally and globally

- Attend the Calapalooza student activities fair and get involved with a student organization.
- Find service opportunities through the Public Service Center.
- Explore study, internship, and research abroad options in Ireland with Berkeley Study Abroad.
- Attend an event of the Irish Literary and Historical Society.
- Contribute to a community organization with an American Cultures Engaged Scholarship course.
- Go on a service-learning trip with the Alternative Breaks Program.

Reflect and plan your future

- Visit the Career Center and Career Counseling Library.
- Check out the Career Center Yearly Planner.
- Set up a Handshake account and sign up for CareerMail.
- Explore career fields in the Career Connections Networking Series.
- Meet with a Career Center counselor to discuss your career options and goals.
- Shadow alumni during a winter externship.
- Learn about graduate and professional school. See Step-by-Step for planning help.
- Think about doing an internship and attend an internship fair.

First Year

- Complete CELTIC 70 and your language lower division requirements and declare the major.
- Review the major guidelines for study abroad.
- Apply for the Scotty Ross Memorial Scholarship for Celtic Studies students.

Second Year

- Focus on upper division requirements in literature, culture, language coursework, and electives.
- Review your degree progress with your major and college advisor.
- Ask your major advisor about the Celtic Studies honors program.

Third Year

- Do a degree check to ensure you are on track to graduate.
- Complete any "bucket list" courses.
- Finish remaining major, college, and campus requirements.
- Complement your major with a certificate, course thread, or summer minor.

Fourth Year

- Practice your language skills while helping others learn in the SLC Language Exchange Program.
- Get support for your thesis project in the Townsend Honors Thesis Workshop.
- Connect with alumni groups and build your network as you prepare to graduate.

Career Destinations Survey

Examples gathered from recent Berkeley graduates.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR?

Jobs and Employers

- Bank of Ireland
- Professor, Swansea University

Graduate Programs

- Archaeology, PhD Oxford University
- Celtic Languages & Literatures, PhD
- Harvard University
- Comparative Literature, PhD UCLA
- English, PhD Yale University

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