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### 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

Attend a Statistics info session during the **new student orientation** week at the start of your Berkeley studies.

#### Events

Join the **Happenings Mailing List** to receive information about career fairs, jobs, and events related to the field of statistics.

### ADVISING

Staff advisors are available for advising and to assist with enrollment issues during drop-in hours and by appointment. Refer to **statistics.berkeley.edu/programs/undergrad/advising**. Check in at the Statistics Front Office in 367 Evans Hall (3rd Floor) for in-person appointments.

For quick advising questions, email **stat-ugrad@berkeley.edu**.

For enrollment issues, email **stat-enrollments@berkeley.edu**.

### 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.

Visit [ue.berkeley.edu/majormaps](https://ue.berkeley.edu/majormaps) for the latest version of this major map.

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# STATISTICS

Bachelor of Arts

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### INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

Statisticians help to design data collection plans, analyze data appropriately, and interpret and draw conclusions from their analyses. The **Statistics** major provides a systematic and thorough grounding in applied and theoretical statistics as well as probability. The UC Berkeley Statistics department has particular strength in Machine Learning, a key ingredient of the emerging field of Data Science. Our department excels at interdisciplinary science. A Statistics degree from Berkeley is excellent preparation for a career in science or industry, or for further academic study in a wide variety of fields.



Photo credit: Student Association for Applied Statistics

“ *Statistics has the perfect mix of theory and application and allows me to approach and solve real world problems.* ”

-- Statistics and French Double Major Alum

### WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

Collecting, analyzing, and interpreting data is growing more important every year in nearly every field. Whether you go into business, academia, medicine, journalism, activism, or government, claims about data will profoundly influence your career and the world around you. The Statistics major helps students develop:

- Strong mathematical and critical thinking skills
- The ability to formulate real-world questions quantitatively
- Creative thinking for new kinds of problems
- Computing skills
- Communication and visualization skills

### AMPLIFY YOUR MAJOR

- Consider the **teaching emphasis** in the major and join **Calteach** if interested in teaching statistics or mathematics at the secondary level.
- Participate in a data competition.
- Gain valuable experience as a **Reader, Tutor or UGSI**.
- Already have an intended major? Consider adding a **Statistics minor**.

Explore  
your major

FIRST YEAR

Enroll in **Statistics prerequisite courses** and prepare for declaring your major.

Form study groups with classmates.

Start mapping out a 4-year **plan of study**.

Review your **major** and **college requirements**.

Join the **Happenings Mailing List** to receive the Statistics newsletter.

SECOND YEAR

**Apply to the major** in the term when you are finishing your last prerequisites.

Review **upper division** major requirements.

If taking STAT 134, consider taking the adjunct course offered by the **SLC**.

Start designing your **Statistics Applied Cluster**.

THIRD YEAR

Meet with a **major advisor** to check your progress.

If you have an internship related to statistics, apply for **STAT 197** credit.

Pursue an **emphasis in teaching**.

Consider doing a **senior honors thesis**.

Transfers: Map out a 2-year **plan of study**.

FOURTH YEAR

Confirm university, campus, and L&S requirements by checking your **Academic Progress Report**.

Meet with your **major advisor** to verify completion of major requirements.

To graduate with **honors**, enroll in STAT H195 and write a senior honor thesis.

WHAT CAN I DO  
WITH MY MAJOR?

Jobs and Employers

Actuarial Analyst, Fidelity

Business Tech. Consultant, Deloitte

Bioinformatics Programmer, UCSF

Business Analyst, Wells Fargo Bank

Consultant, Applied Predictive Tech.

Credit Analyst, Standard & Poor's

Data Analyst, Golden State Warriors

Data Scientist, Capital Group

Developer, SAP

Financial Analyst, Abbott Labs.

Product Technician, Esurance

Quant. Software Engineer, Two Sigma

Researcher, Stanford University

Software Engineer, Intuit

Staff Advisor, Ernst and Young LLP

Underwriting Analyst, AIG

Graduate Programs

Artificial Intelligence and Robotics

Business Administration

Computational Mathematics

Computer Science

Data Science

Economics

Financial Engineering

Investments and Securities

Management Science & Engineering

Neurobiology

Physics

Quantitative Psychology

Statistics

Examples gathered from the **First Destination Survey** of recent Berkeley graduates.

Connect  
and build  
community

Discover student organizations at **Calapalooza**.

Get matched with a grad student mentor through **Berkeley Connect** or **L&S Mentors Program**.

Utilize **tutoring services** at the SLC.

Check out the **Basic Needs Center** and the **Recalibrate** website.

Consider becoming a **Reader, Tutor or Lab Assistant** for the Statistics Department.

Join **SUSA** and **SAAS** to connect with Statistics majors.

Engage in individual discussions with professors during office hours.

Join campus organizations like the **Cal Actuarial League** or **Data Science Society**.

Connect with student government and co-curricular activities through the **LEAD Center**.

Gain valuable teaching experience by becoming a Statistics Undergraduate Student Instructor.

Become a **Golden Bear Orientation Leader** and welcome new students to the UC Berkeley campus and community.

Apply to become an **L&S peer advisor**.

Attend a **seminar series** hosted by the department to hear about the latest research in statistics.

Discover  
your passions

Visit the **Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarships** to learn about research opportunities on campus.

Take **L&S 1** for an introduction to the College.

Explore the intersectionality of disciplines in a **Big Ideas course**.

Find a **mentor** and connect with faculty who share your **research interests**.

Apply for the **Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program**.

Participate in a data competition.

Start looking for **research opportunities in statistics** for summer or a later term.

Join **CalTeach** to explore a career in education.

Apply for **fellowships** to fund your own research project.

Apply to **summer research opportunities**, such as **SURF** and **Haas Scholars Program**.

Facilitate a **DeCal course** on a topic you are interested in.

Present a statistics research poster at Cal Day or a conference sponsored by the **American Statistical Association**.

Engage  
locally and  
globally

Plan for **studying abroad** and meet with a **Study Abroad Advisor**.

Explore **volunteering** opportunities on campus.

Engage in community service through the **Public Service Center**.

Study abroad as a sophomore, junior, or senior with **Berkeley Study Abroad**.

Join **Bridging Berkeley** to become a math mentor to middle schoolers.

Study and intern in Washington D.C. with **UCDC** or **Cal in the Capital**.

Take classes at another UC or college through a **visitor and exchange program**.

Volunteer for the Statistics Department on Cal Day.

Participate in the **Big Ideas Contest**.

Explore gap year opportunities prior to your next adventure.

Apply for a postgraduate **fellowship**.

Go on service trips over spring or winter break with the **Alternative Breaks** program.

Reflect  
and plan  
your future

**Develop a plan** for getting career ready.

Visit the **Statistics website** and join **Handshake** and **BearX** to access career resources.

Set up a **LinkedIn** profile and start building your resume.

Shadow alumni in the **Winter Externship Program**.

Learn about alumni career paths in the **Career Connections Networking Series**.

Conduct **informational interviews** to learn about different **career fields**.

Get **Berkeley Career Engagement** help for resumes, portfolios, and interviews.

Attend **internship fairs**.

Apply for a **STEM Beyond Summer Internship**.

Explore post-graduation options at **career and graduate school fairs**.

Attend events sponsored by the Statistics Department and its **industry partners**.

Update your resume and **LinkedIn** profile.

Utilize **job board tools** in your job search.

Find career opportunities with **icrunchdata** or the **American Statistical Association**.

Find full-time jobs and paid internships through the **On-Campus Recruiting** program.

Apply to graduate and professional school programs.