General-Education Requirements

The Warren College faculty has a firm belief that each student should have the opportunity to develop a program best suited to his or her individual interests within a framework that ensures both depth and breadth of study. All students are required to have significant exposure to the humanities and fine arts, the social sciences, and the natural sciences. The faculty and staff of the college provide extensive advising on individual academic programs and possible career implications within each program. Students who enroll at Earl Warren College are required to work within the following academic plan:

Warren College Writing Program: Each student must complete a two-course sequence in writing, Warren Writing 10A-B, within four quarters following successful completion of the UC Entry Level Writing requirement.

Ethics and Society: After completion of Warren Writing 10A-B, all students must complete a course entitled "Ethics and Society" offered jointly by the Departments of Political Science and Philosophy (Political Science 27/Philosophy 27). This course must be taken by the end of the second year at UCSD for letter grade only.

Formal Skills: All students must satisfy the formal skills requirement by completing two courses chosen from an approved list that includes calculus, computer programming, statistics, and symbolic logic.

Programs of Concentration/Area Studies: These ensure a significant exposure to the three disciplines: humanities/fine arts, social science, and natural science. All students are required to complete two focused collections of courses outside the areas of their majors.

For students other than B.S. Engineering majors, two Programs of Concentration are required. Each program requires six courses outside the discipline of the major. A minimum of three courses must be upper division. In lieu of a Program of Concentration, a student may choose to declare a minor in a department or interdisciplinary program.

For B.S. Engineering majors, each student must complete two Area Studies, one in the humanities/fine arts and one in the social sciences. Each of these Area Studies consists of three courses. A minimum of one course must be upper division.

All interdisciplinary Programs of Concentration and Area Studies must be approved by the Earl Warren College Academic Advising office. All minors must be approved by academic departments or programs.

Advanced Placement Credit

Advanced Placement (AP) units may be substituted for corresponding lower-division course work in a Program of Concentration or Area Study. In general, a maximum of twelve units may be applied toward a Program of Concentration and a maximum of eight units may be applied to an Area Study.

Majors

Earl Warren College students may pursue any of the departmental or interdisciplinary majors offered at UCSD. For details on the specific major department requirements, refer to the “Course, Curricula, and Programs of Instruction” section of this catalog.

A student may declare a double major upon the approval of both academic departments and the academic advising office. If the two majors are from noncontiguous disciplines, one Program of Concentration or Area Study from the third discipline will be required. If the two majors are from the same discipline, two Programs of Concentration or Area Studies will be required from each of the remaining noncontiguous disciplines.

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This major is designed to meet the needs of students who have a definite academic interest for which a suitable major is not offered at UCSD. The student must submit a written proposal explaining the merits of the program and why it cannot be accommodated within existing UCSD majors. The proposal must first be approved by a faculty adviser and then approved by the College Executive Committee.
Minors

In lieu of a Program of Concentration, Earl Warren students may pursue a departmental minor to fulfill general-education requirements. An approved departmental minor applied toward the general-education requirement will be posted to the student’s official transcript. Upper-division courses taken for the departmental minor may not overlap with courses in the major, the Programs of Concentration, or the Area Studies.

Pass/Not Pass Grading Option

Programs of Concentration and Area Studies courses may be fulfilled by courses taken on the Pass/Not Pass basis. Major requirements and prerequisites are required to be taken on a graded basis. The total number of Pass/Not Pass units may not exceed one-fourth (25 percent) of a student’s total UCSD units.

Graduation Requirements

To receive a B.A. or B.S. degree from Earl Warren College a student must:
1. Satisfy the University of California requirements in American History and Institutions, and in UC Entry Level Writing Requirement. (See “Undergraduate Admissions, Policies and Procedures.”)
2. Fulfill the general-education requirements described above.
3. Complete one course in Cultural Diversity in U.S. Society to be chosen from an approved list. This course may overlap with the major, the general-education requirements, or an elective.
4. Successfully complete a major chosen from those regularly offered at UCSD or, with permission, a Warren College Individualized Study major.
5. Attain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0. Major GPA requirements may differ by department.
6. Satisfy the senior residency requirement that thirty-six of the last forty-five units passed must be completed as a registered Warren College student.
7. Pass a minimum of 180 units for the B.A./B.S. degree. A minimum of 60 of these units must be taken at the upper-division level.

Transfer Students

For students who completed their lower-division general-education requirements at an accredited four-year college or students who completed a system-wide or campus-wide approved core curriculum in a California community college prior to entering UCSD, the only additional general-education requirements are two upper-division courses noncontiguous to the discipline of the major. For these students, the cultural diversity graduation requirement, #3 above, is waived. All other transfer students must complete the Warren College general-education requirements. (See “Earl Warren College” in the section “General Education Requirements.”)

The Warren College Honors Program

The Warren College Honors Program is offered to students with a broad range of interests and a history of outstanding scholastic achievement. The program offers students the opportunity to work closely with faculty throughout their academic career at UCSD. High school seniors with a GPA of 3.8 or above, SAT I scores of 700 verbal/700 mathematics, SAT II writing score of 700, or who are National Merit Scholars or Regents Fellows, are eligible for admission to the program. Students may participate in the program until thirty-six units of UCSD credit are completed. After that, a cumulative GPA of 3.5 on all units completed at UCSD must be maintained to remain in the program. Entering transfer students with a GPA of 3.8 based on at least thirty-six units of college work are also eligible. Other students with strong academic credentials may also apply. (For more information, see “Warren College” in the section “Courses, Curricula, and Programs of Instruction.”)

The Warren College Scholars Seminars

Freshmen who meet the Warren Honors Program requirements may qualify for admission to the Scholars Seminars by submitting a writing sample. Students who are invited to participate in the two interdisciplinary seminars enroll in Warren 11A-B. The seminars replace the required Warren College writing courses and must be taken for a letter grade. http://warren.ucsd.edu/honors.

Warren College Interdisciplinary Programs

LAW AND SOCIETY

The Law and Society Program at UCSD offers courses, speakers, and events that emphasize the interrelationship and complexity of legal, social, and ethical issues in their historical context. The interdisciplinary minor offers students the opportunity to examine the role of the legal system in society and to study specific legal issues from the perspectives of the social sciences and the humanities. Students benefit from the program by learning how to analyze and understand legal implications related to policy and decision making. The program is administered by Warren College and is open to all undergraduate students at UCSD with an interest in law. http://warren.ucsd.edu/law.

HEALTH CARE—SOCIAL ISSUES

The Health Care—Social Issues Program at UCSD is designed to enhance student competence in analyzing complex social and ethical implications related to health care issues by offering an interdisciplinary minor, events, and speakers from a wide range of disciplines. Students gain an understanding of how the economy, culture, technology, social, and psychological processes affect modern health care. The curriculum complements natural science, humanities, and social science majors and enriches student participation in the health care professions. The program is administered by Warren College and is available to all UCSD students with a general interest in health care. http://warren.ucsd.edu/health

Educational Enrichment

Students are encouraged to earn credit toward graduation by participating in a study abroad program through the University of California’s Education Abroad Program (EAP). Warren College offers students an option to complete an EAP Program of Concentration with an emphasis in either humanities/fine arts or social sciences.

EAP participants study in over 150 institutions in thirty-five countries. Students may choose to study abroad for a full academic year or for a shorter term. Most EAP programs require a minimum of 2.5–3.0 cumulative GPA and junior standing at the time of participation.
One-Unit Undergraduate Seminar

The One-Unit Undergraduate Seminar Program is a campus-wide program administered by Warren College. The purpose is to (a) foster closer interaction between undergraduate students and faculty members; and (b) introduce undergraduates to exciting areas of intellectual interest. Generally, the seminars are accessible to students at all levels with no prerequisites. Enrollments are limited to twenty-five students per seminar. Grading is P/NP only, and each student is limited to four seminars for credit.

Academic Internship Program

Warren College administers an Academic Internship Program available to students from all six colleges. The program is based on the conviction that quality education results from a combination of classroom theory and practical experience. Participants work full- or part-time for a public or private organization. Placements match students’ major areas of academic study and correlate with their career goals. Students may enroll for one, four, eight, or twelve units per quarter, with a maximum of four internships and/or sixteen units of internship credit. Although most placements are in the San Diego area, the Academic Internship Program is international in scope and varied in offerings. Students might work for a senator in Washington; the governor in Sacramento; a legal-aid office in Los Angeles; a business, a T.V. station, research lab or social service agency in San Diego; a public relations firm in London; or any number of other possibilities. Working closely with faculty advisers, students write research papers that integrate their academic backgrounds and internship experience. For more information, see listing under “Academic Internship Program.”

Honors

Quarterly provost’s honors, honors at graduation, departmental honors, and Phi Beta Kappa honors are awarded. For additional information see “Honors” in the Index.

Honorary Fellow of the College

Harry N. Scheiber, Historian