

MAJOR CAPSTONE REQUIREMENT

Labor Studies Capstone Options Offered for the 2022-2023 Academic Year

The internship capstone offers UCLA Labor Studies graduating students the opportunity to connect and be mentored by labor-related community organizations, worker centers, labor coalitions or labor government agencies, through a guided community engagement internship experience which culminates your undergraduate experience in the Labor Studies Program.

Option #1: Internship + Research Project

- Fall 2022 - LBR STD 194A: Internship (4 units)
- Winter 2023 - LBR STD 191A: Research Seminar (4 units)

To enroll, schedule capstone meeting with Liz Espinoza, Labor Studies Academic Programs Manager: bit.ly/LS_capstone_meeting

- In the fall quarter, students will take a **research internship capstone** designed to orient them to the work of their partner organization and community, as well as introduce them to a variety of research methods.
 - Students will intern at least 8 weeks between **9/26/22 to 12/2/22**.
- In the winter quarter, the same cohort of students will work on and implement their **research plan**. Students will no longer intern with the site, but may visit the site in the winter quarter as part of their research.
 - Sites will also be invited to attend class presentations at the end of quarter to hear their former interns **present their research findings**.

Option #2: Two Quarter Internship

- Winter 2023 - LBR STD 194A: Internship (4 units)
- Spring 2023 - LBR STD 194A: Internship (4 units)

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- Students will intern at least **16 Weeks between 1/9/23 to 6/9/23**.
- Internship duration: **8-10 hours a week for a total of 160 hours during winter and spring quarter**.
 - 40 of those hours during spring quarter will be dedicated to implementing their research proposal in order to complete the final capstone research paper/project.
- As students intern with the host site throughout both quarters, they will **devise and execute an original research project**, either individually or in a research group, that focuses on advancing the goals and values of the host organization.

Option #3: Labor Summer Research Program

- LBR STD 191A (4 units)
- LBR STD 194C (4 units)

LSRP Applications open in Winter 2023:
irte.ucla.edu/lrsp

- The **UCLA Labor Summer Research Program (LSRP)** is a seminar course (weekly 5 hour lecture) combined with a 15 hour per week field work.
- It offers students a unique opportunity to immerse themselves in an applied research experience focused on the **Los Angeles Labor Movement**, which is leading national efforts to promote social justice for working people.
- This research-oriented summer program will introduce students to **qualitative applied research methods** utilized by researchers and scholars engaged in labor studies.