GUIDELINES for the Statement of Purpose

**Format:** Your statement should be written in standard essay format with your name, country of interest, and page numbers on each page. The essay should be 2-3 pages in length, typed and double-spaced.

**Content:** Your statement should be sensitive to the host culture and contain well-researched, accurate information relating to the host country. Within one cohesive essay, respond concisely to the following questions.

**What are your educational goals for your EAP option?**
- What attracted you academically to the program or host institution?
- How does the program complement your studies at UC (credit for your major, minor, general education (GE), or breadth requirements, and/or academic work outside your major field of study)?
- What types of courses and other educational opportunities available abroad are not offered at UC?
- How are you preparing to achieve your educational goals on EAP?

**What are your personal goals/interests for your EAP option?**
- What political, cultural or social issues interest you at home and in the host country?
- What interests or life experiences have influenced your choice of EAP program/country (e.g., Have you ever visited your host country)?
- How does the program relate to your future goals?
- How are you preparing to achieve your personal goals on EAP?