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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 **ieor.berkeley.edu** for news and updates.

ADVISING

ORMS students are assigned to faculty advisors in the IEOR department. Before the enrollment period for each semester, students meet with their faculty advisors to discuss their tentative schedule of classes.

The Undergraduate Advisor for ORMS is also available for advising on academic matters, including academic difficulty, change of major/double majors/simultaneous degrees, withdrawal/readmission, degree completion, education abroad, academic progress, and petitions and exceptions. Contact the Undergraduate Advisor at ieor-student-services@berkeley.edu.

Visit **ue.berkeley.edu/majormaps** for the latest version of this major map.

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OPERATIONS RESEARCH AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCE



Bachelor of Arts

INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

The Operations Research and Management Science (ORMS) major provides a solid foundation in the quantitative, model building, and problem-solving skills of operations research and management science. The major is very math intensive and is appropriate for students who enjoy and are good at mathematics, computers, and solving practical, multidisciplinary problems.

The ORMS major is designed for students in the College of Letters & Science and is administered by the Department of Industrial Engineering and Operations Research (IEOR) in the College of Engineering. The department also offers a major and minor in **IEOR**, as well as a combined **Bachelor's-Master's program**.



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** The IEOR community is vibrant, bright and supportive, which allowed me to navigate through my undergraduate career and find my passion. **

- Zilan (Eleanor) Yuan, ORMS Class of 2020

ADMISSION TO THE MAJOR

To be considered for admission to the ORMS major, students should have a minimum 3.2 overall GPA in the prerequisite courses. The major is impacted and applications are submitted by invitation only. Visit **ieor.berkeley.edu/academics/ba-orms/** for more information.

We recommend students apply during the semester that they are completing their final prerequisite courses or prior to the accumulation of 80 units (not including high school units). For most students, this is typically at the end of their sophomore year. For transfer students, you must apply at the end of your first semester at UC Berkeley.

AMPLIFY YOUR MAJOR

- Get involved in a student organization such as the Engineering and Project Management Society and Institute of Industrial Systems Engineers (IISE).
- Take a Challenge Lab course such as IEOR 185.
- Enrich your studies with the Sutardja Certificate in Entrepreneurship and Technology.
- Participate in the **ORMS honors program** by completing an original research project or graduate-level coursework in ORMS.

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Educator

internship fair.

Think about doing an **internship** and attend an

Learn about graduate and professional school.

See **Step-by-Step** for planning help.

Sign up for Handshake and CareerMail.

Networking Series or a winter externship

Explore career fields in the Career Connections

Bachelor of Arts



Attend career and graduate school fairs such as

Ask professors and graduate student instructors for

the STEM Career & Internship Fair.

recommendation letters.



FIRST YEAR THIRD YEAR SECOND YEAR FOURTH YEAR Explore Meet with your major and **college advisor** to Complete lower division prerequisites and apply to Focus on upper division requirements and electives Do a **degree check** to ensure you are on track to your major such as machine learning (IEOR 142) or production discuss your academic plans. the maior. systems analysis (IEOR 150). Review major and college requirements. Plan now for a certificate, course thread, or Complete any "bucket list" courses and remaining Review your degree progress with your major and major, college, and campus requirements. Talk to the **ORMS advisor** about department college advisors. Review major guidelines for study abroad. If eligible, take part in the **ORMS honors program**. programs and research opportunities. Take a Challenge Lab course (IEOR 185), **Data X** Consider applying for the **IEOR-ORMS Masters** (IEOR 135) or another project-based class. Connect Get 1:1 mentoring with Berkeley Connect. Join a student organization such as **Engineering** Apply to the **Data Science Education Program** and Join a professional association such as the **Institute** and build and Project Management Society participate in one of the student teams. of Industrial Systems and Engineering. Find study groups, tutoring, and academic support at Consider becoming a **Golden Bear Orientation** Connect with **IEOR alumni** and build your **network** as the Student Learning Center. Follow the IEOR department on **Facebook** and **Leader** and welcome new students to UC Berkeley. **Instagram** and start attending **department events**. you prepare to graduate. Take advantage of STEM community and resources from programs like Cal NERDS. Get to know professors and graduate student Check out Alpha Pi Mu, the Industrial Engineering Follow up with your past professors and ask what you instructors during their office hours. can do to help them as an ORMS alumnus. Honor Society. Discover Discover new interests in a Freshman Seminar, Enroll in a Sophomore Seminar, Big Ideas Course Apply for a research opportunity if you haven't done Teach your own **DeCal course**. your passions L&S 1, or a student-run DeCal course. or **Discovery Course**. so already. Undertake an optional honors thesis or independent Attend the Undergraduate Research and Learn about **research** taking place within the IEOR Explore entrepreneurship through the **Sutardia** Scholarships Fair in October. Center and Skydeck. Keep pursuing your interests through a **fellowship** or Learn how to get involved in research on campus Assist faculty in their research through **URAP**. Consider earning the **Sutardja Certificate in** gap year after graduation. with Undergraduate Laboratory at Berkeley. **Entrepreneurship and Technology.** Enjoy teaching? Explore a career in education while Broaden your perspective by attending **Newton** gaining teaching skills with CalTeach. Series or View from the Top lectures. **Engage** Attend the **Calapalooza** student activities fair and Work with a community organization in an Experience life at another UC or college on a visitor Hone your leadership skills with the **Peter E. Haas** locally and get involved with a student organization. **American Cultures Engaged Scholarship course.** and exchange program. **Public Service Leaders program.** Find service opportunities through the **Public** Go on a service-learning trip with the **Alternative** Study and intern in Washington D.C. with **UCDC** or Interested in a public service career? Apply for the Cal in the Capital John Gardner Fellowship. **Service Center Breaks Program.** Consider a **Berkeley Global Internship** in the Explore study, internship, and research abroad Engage in STEM education and mentorship of Explore service opportunities after graduation, options with Berkeley Study Abroad. local youth with **Bridging Berkeley**, **Expand Your** United States or abroad. such as **Peace Corps**, **Teach for America**, or **U.S.** Horizons, or SENDforC. **Department of State.** Reflect Visit Berkeley Career Engagement and the Career Reflect on your education so far and continue to set Update your resume and **LinkedIn** profile. Utilize **job board tools** in your job search. and plan **Counseling Library**. goals for yourself. Discuss post-graduate options with advisors and Browse job listings on the department website. your future Discuss career options and goals with a Career **Develop a plan** for getting career ready. professors.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR?

The IEOR major prepares students for technical careers analyzing a broad array of systems-level decision problems concerned with economic efficiency, productivity, and quality. It provides a strong foundation for those headed for operations management positions or for those intending to go on to specialized graduate study in operations research, analytics, or business administration.

Jobs and Employers

Analyst, Cornerstone Research
Analyst, WI Harper Group
Consultant, Applied Predictive
Technologies
Digital Risk Solution Associate, PwC
Software Development Engineer,
Amazon
Software Engineer, Google
Technology Analyst, Deloitte

Graduate Programs

Business, Masters

Computational Math., Masters
Computer Science, Masters, PhD
Economics, PhD
Engineering Science, Masters
Industrial Engineering, Masters, PhD
Operations Research, Masters

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

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Meet employers at Employer Info Sessions and On-

Apply to jobs, graduate school, and other

Campus Recruiting.

opportunities.