Haas PreCore Summer Program

Do you want a smooth transition to UC Berkeley and the Haas School of Business?

Need to improve your interview skills to successfully compete in the career recruitment cycle?

If you answered YES to any of the above questions....

We invite you to enroll in the Haas PreCore Summer Program. Designed to help newly admitted transfer students strengthen skills to transition successfully into upper division business courses, the program consists of two 3-unit courses, with very limited seating. Enrollment is on a first come, first serve basis. Each participant is required to enroll in and complete both courses.

The program will be held during Session D of UC Berkeley Summer Sessions.
Classes held: M/W/Th 10:30AM-3:30PM;
Optional workshops with featured Guest Speakers on Mondays: 3:30PM-5:00PM. Sample workshop topics:
Introduction to Haas Career Services, Resume and Interview Preparation for On-Campus Recruitment;
Accessing Alumni Benefits and Alumni Network and Overview of Program Services at the Cal Transfer Student Center.

UGBA 196
Special Topics in Business Administration
Professional Communications Practicum (3 units)
Professor Ryan Sloan

How’s that internship resume and cover letter -- and the ability to present yourself effectively? Do you feel confident when speaking, whether it's an interview, an info session or an elevator ride with the CEO? When you analyze business cases, are you building the strongest argument? How do you collaborate while still developing leadership? We're going to prepare you for success in the fall with professional writing and speaking strategies. We’ll invite guest speakers like Haas seniors and Career Center counselors, leverage dynamic new technologies, learn through extensive role-playing and experiential projects -- and bond as a diverse new cohort.

UGBA 196
Special Topics in Business Administration
Quantitative Skills for Business (3 units)
Professor Todd Fitch

Quantitative skills a bit rusty? How about your Excel skills? Can you explain the difference between mean and median? Do you understand the time value of money? Can you take the partial derivative with respect to x of 3xy^2? Did the previous sentences sound like Greek and leave you scratching your head? Do word problems leave you tongue-tied? If so, you need to take this class. We’ll be covering the quantitative skills you need to succeed in your undergraduate business classes. The course will be a mix of traditional instruction and team-based, in-class problem-solving and analysis of real-world problems requiring application of the quantitative techniques you’re learning.
Both courses will count towards the 38 upper division business units for the degree and must be taken for letter grade. Registration information for the above classes will not be available until after the Fall Admission decisions are released in late April. Please note that only newly admitted transfer students will be eligible to enroll in this program.

What previous students have said about the PreCore Program...

"Outside of the invaluable knowledge and skills you gain, the relationships you build over the 6 week period are absolutely priceless." – Edgar Okorie

"PreCore was the best decision I could have made for my summer. Both Professor Fitch and Professor Sloan are phenomenal instructors, who made sure that my classmates and I were fully equipped for the transition between community college and Haas. I highly recommend this program for all incoming business transfer students." – Katherine Krive

"PreCore gave me not only a great group of supportive friends but prepared my quantitative and qualitative business skills so I had a strong base starting school at Haas that fall. It’s hard to describe the feeling of being in a completely new place among the top business school students in the country and see familiar faces! PreCore will help you build relationships that support you throughout your time at Haas while introducing you to two amazing professors and some of the expectations you now face as a Haas student." – Jocelyn Stradiotto

"Registering for the Haas PreCore program was the best decision I could make for preparing to enter Haas. Not only did the courses set me up to enter Haas with confidence, the relationships I formed during the program with students, professors and administrators have proven to be invaluable." – Michael Dunn