



University Extension  
Professional Studies

# EXPAND YOUR GLOBAL CAREER POTENTIAL



## POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN SPECIALIZED STUDIES

### WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

- Build strong communication, teamwork, and decision-making skills
- Think critically to solve real workplace challenges
- Understand and adapt to American workplace culture
- Explore how AI and emerging technologies are reshaping industries
- Gain hands-on experience through a U.S.-based internship
- Apply your specialized knowledge in real-world job situations

Today's job market demands more than a degree—it requires **real skills, global awareness, and hands-on experience**. The Postgraduate Diploma in Specialized Studies from UCR University Extension delivers all three. Choose a concentration in fields like Marketing, Accounting, Engineering, or Project Management, and apply your learning through a U.S. internship.

Designed for international students and early-career professionals, this 9-month program blends on-campus studies with real-world application. You'll strengthen communication and leadership skills, learn how to adapt to the American workplace, and explore how AI is transforming global industries. With flexible elective options across business, engineering, and social sciences, you can shape the program to meet your career goals.

Graduate the program ready to succeed—confident, capable, and career-ready.



TOTAL UNITS: 36



COMPLETION TIME: 9 months



TUITION: \$20,200



ENGLISH FLUENCY:  
Minimum TOEFL iBT 80, IELTS 6.5,  
or Duolingo 100



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### TAKE YOUR CAREER TO A HIGHER LEVEL

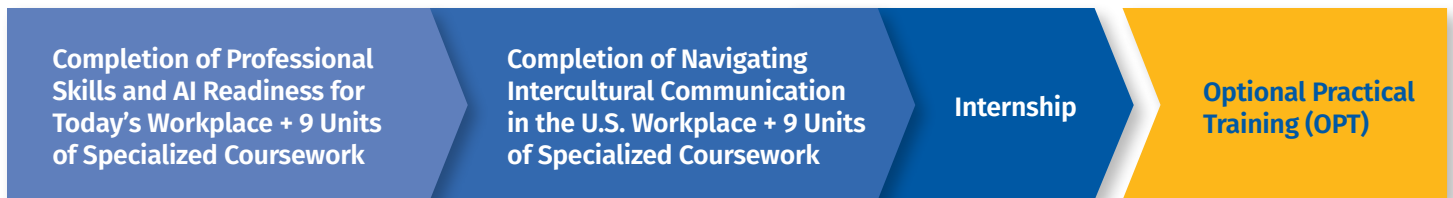
Now that you've earned your Bachelor's degree, or completed 3 years of your undergraduate degree, we want to help you differentiate yourself from others in your field. Our Postgraduate Certificates and Diplomas provide in-depth knowledge and on-the-job experience that will give you a unique advantage when applying for jobs. We've identified several key industries with great career potential. Take advantage of living and studying in a vibrant university community. Create new career opportunities—study with experts in your field, explore management specializations in-depth, gain a guaranteed U.S. internship, and leave UCR with a gold-standard UC certificate and work experience at an American company.

While there are as many paths to follow, as there are reasons to follow them when approaching continuing education, there is enormous value in terms of time, financial investment, and personal flexibility while gaining practical training from working professionals in your industry that extends beyond the theory of the classroom and into the real world.

#### KEY BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- UC Quality Curriculum
- Enhanced Employability
- Intercultural Management Competencies
- Instruction from Professional Leaders in the Industry
- Professional Endorsements

### PROGRAM FLOW



### DREAM BIG. STUDY IN CALIFORNIA.



Our postgraduate programs are the only one of their kind in the U.S., and are world recognized credentials.



Affordable, quality UC Gold Standard programs in the heart of sunny Southern California.



Gain relevant work experience to add to your CV to increase your employability either here or abroad.



Benefit from an American perspective to set you apart from your competition.



Acquire intercultural competencies, a global perspective, and the ability to work in collaborative teams that cross the lines of business and culture.



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### STUDY PLAN

#### Quarter 1 Required Courses

COURSE TITLE	UNITS
Professional Skills and AI Readiness for Today's Workplace <a href="#">MGT X200.8</a>	3
Minimum of 9 units of coursework from the Specialized Course List	

#### Quarter 2 Required Courses

COURSE TITLE	UNITS
Navigating Intercultural Communication in the U.S. Workplace <a href="#">MGT X200.9</a>	3
Minimum of 9 units of coursework from the Specialized Course List	

#### Quarter 3

##### Internship | Professional Experience Completion Time: 12 weeks/3 months

Apply your newly acquired skills on the job through a GUARANTEED internship with an American company, where you can capitalize on learning from and with a DIVERSE and MULTI-CULTURAL workforce, to give you insight and perspective from various angles. Our Career Consultants provide personalized, one-on-one guidance to help you find the perfect U.S. company to launch your career!

#### ONLINE COURSE (12 UNITS)

COURSE TITLE	UNITS
Analyzing the American Workplace	12

Successful program completion qualifies you to apply for **Optional Practical Training (OPT)**. Upon completion of your Postgraduate Diploma Program, you are eligible for paid employment in the U.S. for up to one year through Optional Practical Training (OPT). <https://extension.ucr.edu/opt>



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### SPECIALIZED COURSE LIST

**NOTE:** The courses listed below are just a sample of what may be available. Offerings can vary by quarter, and additional options may be available. Be sure to speak with your academic advisor to review the full list of courses and select the ones that best fit your academic plan.

Elective Course Options <b>18 units</b>	
BUSINESS	ENGINEERING
Consumer Behavior <a href="#">BUS 112</a>	Chemistry of Materials <a href="#">CEE 135</a>
Marketing in a Global Environment <a href="#">BUS 114</a>	Foundation of Robotics <a href="#">EE 144</a>
Advertising and Integrated Marketing Communications <a href="#">BUS 117</a>	Fundamentals of Environmental Engineering <a href="#">ENVE 171</a>
Project Planning and Control <a href="#">BUS 128</a>	Thermodynamics <a href="#">ME 100A</a>
Foundations of Finance <a href="#">BUS 132</a>	Introduction to Material Science and Engineering <a href="#">ME 114</a>
Sales Management <a href="#">BUS 152</a>	Biomechanics of the Human Body <a href="#">BIEN 110</a>
Business Law <a href="#">BUS 154</a>	Biophysics and Biothermodynamics <a href="#">BIEN 135</a>
Managing Human Resources <a href="#">BUS 155</a>	Medical Diagnostics <a href="#">BIEN 167</a>
Leadership Development <a href="#">BUS 156</a>	Applied Fluid Mechanics <a href="#">CHE 114</a>
Intro to Databases for Management <a href="#">BUS 173</a>	Separation Processes <a href="#">CHE 117</a>
HUMANITIES, ARTS, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES	MANAGEMENT
Arts of Asia <a href="#">AHS 015</a>	Financial Reporting <a href="#">MGT X468.1</a>
Dance: Cultures and Context <a href="#">DNCE 007</a>	Principles of Accounting <a href="#">MGT X477.3</a>
Introduction to Macroeconomics <a href="#">ECON 002</a>	Strategic Leadership for a Changing World <a href="#">MGT X496.05</a>
Introduction to the Study of Race and Ethnicity <a href="#">ETST 001</a>	Essentials of Business Management <a href="#">MGT X496.10</a>
World History: 1500 to 1900 <a href="#">HIST 015</a>	International Finance <a href="#">MGT X497.09</a>
Language and Linguistics <a href="#">LING 020</a>	International Marketing <a href="#">MGT X497.10</a>
Introduction to Film Studies <a href="#">MCS 020</a>	Project Leadership, Communication, and Team Building <a href="#">MGT X470.33</a>
Introductory Psychology <a href="#">PSYC 001</a>	Project Management Essentials <a href="#">MGT X470.41</a>
Introduction to Sociology <a href="#">SOC 001</a>	Project Procurement Management <a href="#">MGT X470.73</a>
	Communicating Effectively <a href="#">MGT X469.02</a>



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### ARE YOU READY FOR YOUR NEXT STEP?

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