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"More first-hand advising is needed. Many international students do not arrive until mid-August, and thus will miss CCA So, which is the best opportunity to get advice on student and social experiences. It would be great if International students can hear advice and experience from students on campus, not just "offical website information," which is comparably abundant."

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Each semester BIO recruits and trains Orientation Leaders who in turn offered a great opportunity to explore leadership roles and develop intercultural communication skills while gaining transferable skills well suited for a resume.

Global Student Ambassadors assist BIO in meeting the needs of the varied and diverse UC Berkeley international student population. Participants set personal and professional goals with supervising advisor, receive monthly training to explore and develop intercultural communication skills.

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From the pre-arrival stage and throughout the semester BIO delivers information on a range of topics relevant to the international community using in-person and online formats.

All year-long, BIO staff and students plan different events aimed at providing academic support and building community among the international student population.