How to Transfer to UCLA and other UC's

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Tell us about yourself:

Major?
Schools of interest?
Transferring this year?
What are you hoping to learn today?

WHERE DO
UC
YOURSELF?

Davis

Berkeley

Santa Cruz

Merced

Santa Barbara

Los Angeles

Irvine

Riverside

San Diego

9 UC's

The UC System:

- Research and Theory Focused

- Full-time

- Large Class Size

- Application Fee: $70

Minimum UC Admission Requirements

+ 60 UC transferable semester units
  + Check your SMC Unofficial Transcript

+ At least a 2.4 GPA, California Residents & AB 540

+ At least a 2.8 GPA, Non-California Residents/ International

+ 7 Course Pattern: Must be completed Spring before Fall transfer with a C or better
  + 2 English- Eng 1 or 1D and Eng 2
  + 1 Math- 2, 4, 7, 8 ,10, 11, 13, 15, 21, 26, 28, 29, or 54
  + 4 Courses- Chosen from at least 2 of the areas below:
    + Arts and Humanities
    + Social and Behavioral Sciences
    + Physical and Biological Sciences

*All courses must be UC transferable

The Cost of the UC:

+ Tuition:
    + $14,436 per year (residents & AB 540)
    + $48,636 per year (non-residents/ international)
+ Cost of Attendance
    + $40,000 to $42,000 (residents & AB 540)
    + $74,000 to $76,000 (non-residents/ international)
+ UC can be affordable!
    + Blue & Gold
        + E.g. Family of 4 making $80,000 /year or less can have tuition 100% covered
    + Middle-Class Scholarships
        + Families of 4 who make between $80,000-$217,000/year

What about the Blue and Gold plan?

UC's Blue and Gold Opportunity Plan ensures that, at a minimum, systemwide tuition and fees are covered for eligible students with parent total incomes of $80,000 or less.

Financial aid is for everyone (including you).

More than

56%

of UC's California undergrads pay no tuition

That's because UC has one of the strongest financial aid programs in the country. And we want you to get every penny of help you deserve.

‣ **Find out how financial aid can help you**

Transfer Tips

+ Focus on Major Preparation Requirements
    + Explore each campus and major for specifics on courses you need to complete before transfer
        + ASSIST.ORG
    + Have these courses completed by the end of Fall prior to transfer
        + I.e. The same semester your application is due

+ Scholars Program
        + Selected majors to UCLA

+ Difference between competitive & minimum requirement
    + Ex. UCLA GPA Targets
    + UC Data
    + Pass/No Pass

+ Holistic Review
    + Extracurricular activities, work, volunteer, hobbies, struggles,…

+ Electives
    + If you have a low unit major, you can explore different topics to reach min unit requirements.
    + While you can't minor at this level, you can explore possibilities through electives.

+ TAG! Transfer Admissions Guarantee
    + Attend our TAG workshop to learn how you can receive guaranteed admissions to a UC!
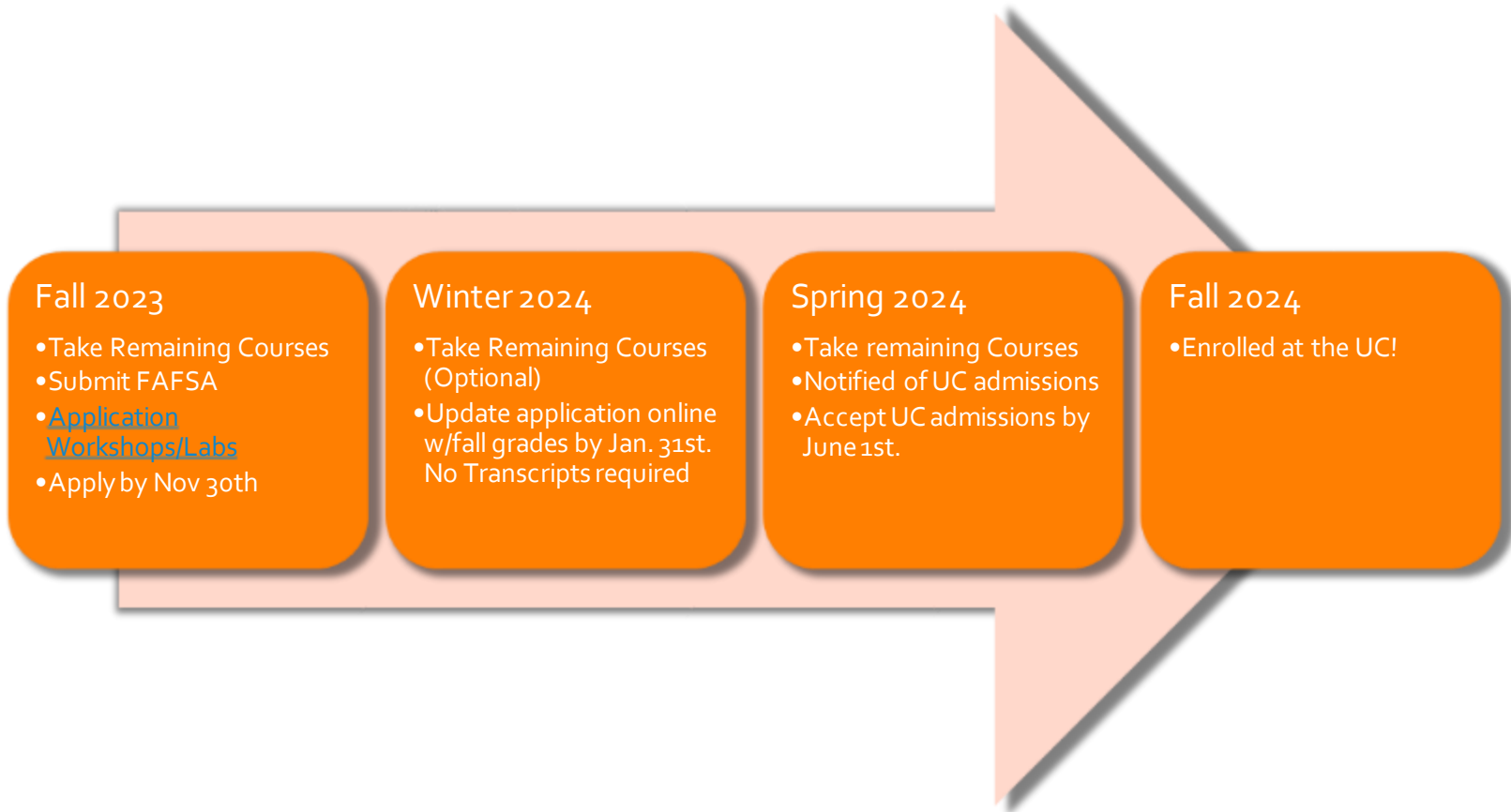
IGETC
(General Education Pattern)

- Must have "C" or better
- Recommend completion prior to transfer.
- Equivalency of course work from other schools **must be approved by a counselor**
- Foreign course work cannot be used
- Student must apply for certification
- See IGETC handout for exceptions
- IGETC handout

Application Filing Periods

+ Fall application <u>opens</u> August 1st

+ Application submission begins October 1st

+ Application <u>deadline</u> is November 30th

+ Winter and Spring Applications Vary

+ Not all campuses open for Winter and Spring Admissions

Application/Admission Timeline

Fall 2023
- Take Remaining Courses
- Submit FAFSA
- Application Workshops/Labs
- Apply by Nov 30th

Winter 2024
- Take Remaining Courses (Optional)
- Update application online w/fall grades by Jan. 31st. No Transcripts required

Spring 2024
- Take remaining Courses
- Notified of UC admissions
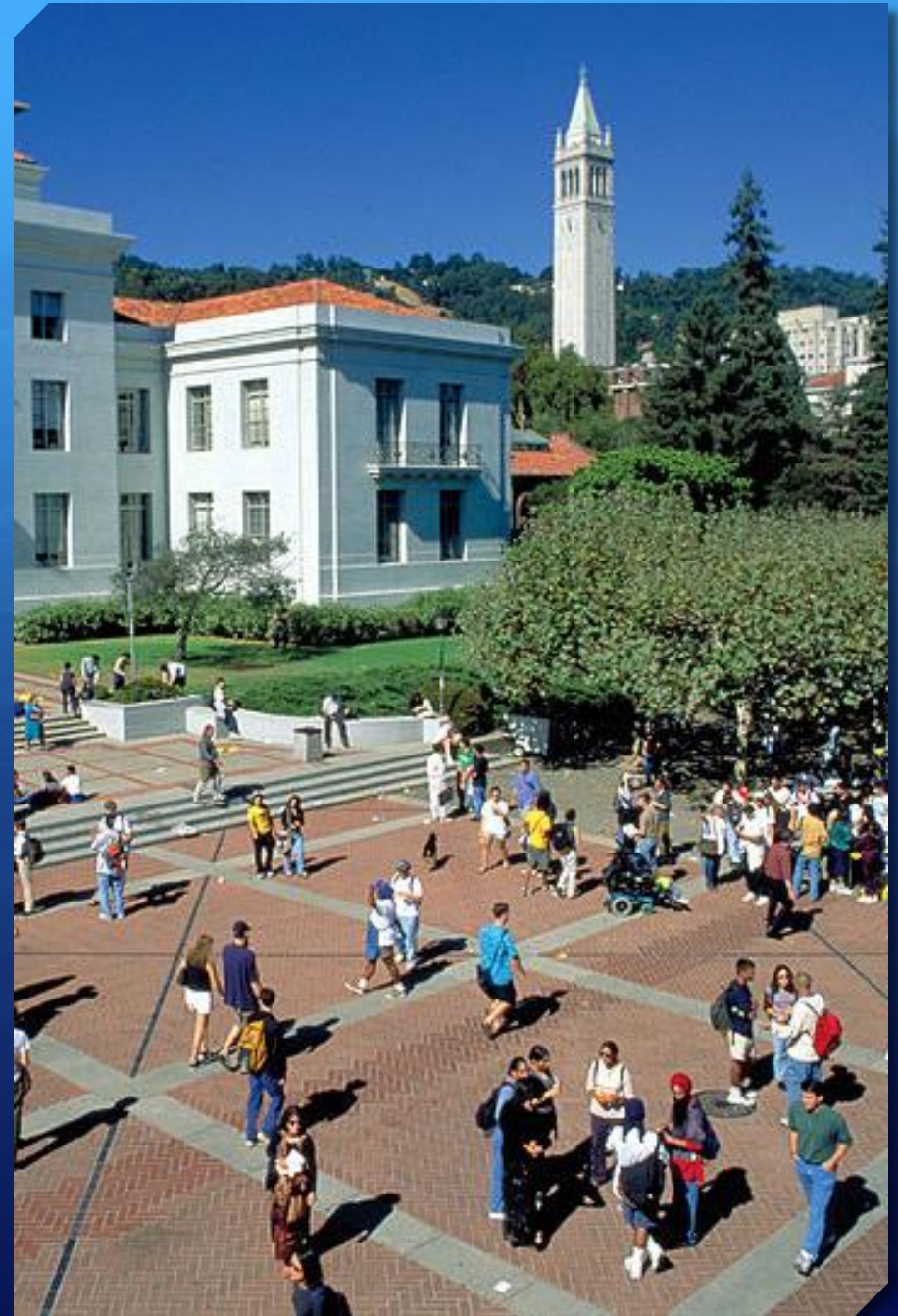- Accept UC admissions by June 1st.

Fall 2024
- Enrolled at the UC!

*By the end of spring student will meet min. UC admission requirements, as much major preparation as possible, completed IGETC certification petition, and sent official transcripts to the UC.

UC Berkeley

- Intense academic climate

- Excellent academic reputation with many programs among the highest ranked in the country

- Students expected to be motivated and self-reliant – not a lot of individual attention

UC Berkeley

- Campus on a hill overlooking SF Bay – easy access by subway into the city
- Vibrant, colorful neighborhood, including bookstores, coffee houses, and sidewalk cafes
- One of two campuses on semester system

UCB Unique Majors

Environmental Economics and Policy	Legal Studies
Peace and Conflict Studies	Public Health
Social Welfare	Rhetoric
American Studies	Interdisciplinary Studies
Operations Research and Management Science	Nutritional Science
French Film	Celtic Studies
Immunology and Pathogenesis	Architecture

UC Davis

- Originally known as the University of California Farm, it still has a more rural feel than other campuses
- Highest graduation rate in the UC System
- Strong academic advising system
- Recognized for one of the best internship programs in the country
- 2 years of guaranteed student housing

UC Davis

- Davis is a true "college town" – students comprise half of the population of 50,000 residents
- Bicycles are the primary mode of transportation: there are 46 miles of bike paths on & around the campus
- Just over an hour to San Francisco

UCD Unique Majors

Design	International Agriculture Development
Hydrology	Science and Technology Studies
Neurobiology, Physiology and Behavior	Global Disease Biology
Clinical Nutrition (Dietician)	Food Science
Animal Biology	Animal Science & Management
Ecological Management and Restoration	Marine and Coastal Science
Religious Studies	Wildlife, Fish and Conservation Biology

UC Irvine

- Largest computing program in the UC system
- Unique interdisciplinary School of Social Ecology offers courses combining criminology, environmental and legal studies, and psychology and social behavior
- Many opportunities for research experience
- A more "conservative" campus than other UCs

UCI Unique Majors

Computer Game Science	Literary Journalism
Criminology, Law and Society	Global Cultures
Pharmaceutical Sciences	Music Theatre
Business Administration	Public Health Sciences, BS
Public Health Policy, BA	Aerospace Engineering
Drama	Exercise Sciences

UC Los Angeles

- Largest UC Campus
- Outstanding academic reputation with an intense academic climate
- Lead the nation in number of collegiate athletic championships
- East Coast style Buildings
- 2 years of guaranteed housing
- Voted "Best College Food in America"

UCLA Unique Majors

Ethnomusicology	World Arts and Cultures
Ecology Behavior & Evolution	Labor Studies
Engineering Geology	Conservation of Archaeological Ethnographic Materials
Atmospheric, Oceanic and Environmental Science	Aerospace Studies
Asian Religions	Climate Science
European Language and Transcultural Studies	

UC Riverside

- Strong emphasis on faculty/student interaction
- Easier to get classes than at other campuses
- 70 miles east of West Los Angeles
- Housing reasonably priced and easy to find

UCR Unique Majors

Liberal Studies	Art History/Administrative Studies
Business Administration	Media and Cultural Studies, Film and Visual Media Track
Entomology	Marxist Studies (minor)
Global Climate Change	Sociology Administrative Studies

UC Santa Barbara

- Beautiful location close to the beach, mountains, and Los Padres Forest

- Most students live in apartments within walking distance of campus. Housing can be expensive

- #1 Happiest Students in CA (Princeton Review 2019)

- #7 Public University in the Nation (US News 2020)

- Casual, laid back environment

UCSB Unique Majors

Actuarial Science	Financial Mathematics and Statistics
History of Public Policy	Hydrologic Sciences and Policy
Medieval Studies	Pharmacology
Renaissance Studies	

UC Santa Cruz

- Every student affiliates with one of nine colleges with 1000 – 1400 students each
- The campus is one of the most beautiful in the US – much of it redwood forest, miles of bike trails & hiking paths winding through
- Encourage students who wish to design unique major programs
- Computer Science: Computer Game Design
- Beach only ten minutes from campus by bike
- With Berkeley, one of the most liberal of the UC campuses

UCSC Unique Majors

Critical Race and Ethnic Studies	Human Biology
Environmental Studies	Feminist Studies
Film and Digital Media-Production Concentration	History of Art and Visual culture
Legal Studies	Computer Science: Computer Game Design
History of Consciousness	Robotics Engineering

UC San Diego

- High on a bluff overlooking the Pacific – short walk to the beach
- La Jolla, where UCSD is located is a wealthy beach community – housing is expensive locally
- 12 miles North of San Diego
- Six undergraduate colleges with different philosophies
- Very strong reputation as a science research institution
- Most students participate in intramural sport teams
- Award winning women's sports – volleyball, tennis, water polo, and soccer
- Transfer Triton Hub: Transfer Center with programs and services

ADDITIONAL GE AT UCSD BY COLLEGE
FOR STUDENTS THAT COMPLETE IGETC

- Warren-3 upper division GE
- Roosevelt-2 Lower Division courses
- Muir-1 Writing upper division course
- Revelle-1 year of calculus, 5 quarters of Science, foreign language (can't satisfy this with high school)
- Sixth-2 upper division courses
- Seventh – 2 upper division courses
- Marshall-2 upper division courses

UCSD Unique Majors

Critical Gender Studies	Word Literature & Culture
Third World Studies	Biology w/Bioinformatics
Nanoengineering	Pharmacological Chemistry
Visual Arts/Interdisciplinary Computing and the Arts	Sociology/Science and Medicine

UC Merced

- Founded in 2005
- Steadily growing and adding new buildings and facilities
- Visiting professors and lecturers, come to Merced from some of the world's top-ranked universities.
- Located in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada, near Yosemite National Park
- Housing guaranteed for 1st year!

Where is Merced?

- 2 hours from Sacramento

- 2 hours from San Francisco

- 1 hour from Fresno

- 1 hour from Yosemite

RECOMMENDED GPA FOR NON-COMPETITIVE MAJORS:

UC Berkeley	3.5
UC Davis	3.0-3.2
UC Irvine	3.0-3.4
UC Los Angeles	3.5
UC Merced	3.0
UC Riverside	3.0-3.1
UC Santa Barbara	3.2-3.4
UC Santa Cruz	3.0-3.1
US San Diego	3.2-3.4

Final Transfer Tips…

- All U.S. and foreign college and university course work **<u>must be reported</u>** on the admissions application

- Complete minimum admissions requirements especially in English and math, as soon as possible.

- Aim to complete sequences at one campus:
  - (e.g.: Physics 21,22,23) prior to transfer

- Apply to several campuses!
  - Give yourself options!

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Thank you so much for joining me today!
"Proud to be SMC!!"