



# TRANSFERRING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA



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CALIFORNIA

# CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS



# 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

- 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 COMPETITIVE MAJORS

- Engineering (all majors)
- Business
- Architecture
- Biological Sciences
- Social Science and Computer Science in College of Letters & Science

Refer to [ASSIST.ORG](https://assist.org) for major prep and admission tips

# UCB UNIQUE MAJORS

Media Studies	Legal Studies
Peace and Conflict Studies	Public Health
Social Welfare	Rhetoric
American Studies	Interdisciplinary Studies
Operations Research and Management Science	Nutritional Science

# 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

- 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 COMPETITIVE MAJORS

- College of Biological Sciences
- Engineering
- Computer Science
- Communications
- Psychology
- International Relations
- Fermentation Science
- Viticulture & Enology
- Managerial Economic

# UCD UNIQUE MAJORS

Film Studies	International Agriculture Development
Hydrology	Textiles and Clothing
Neurobiology, Physiology and Behavior	Technocultural Studies
Fiber and Polymer Science	Global Disease Biology
Clinical Nutrition (Dietician)	Food Science

# 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
- A more “conservative” campus than other UCs



# UCI COMPETITIVE MAJORS

- Biological Sciences
- Business Administration
- Criminology, Law and Society
- Economics
- Chemistry
- Engineering
- Information & Computer Science
- Physics
- Nursing
- Computer Game Science



# UC IRVINE UNIQUE MAJORS

<b>Psych and Social Behavior</b>	<b>Literary Journalism</b>
Criminology, Law and Society	Computer Game Science
Pharmaceutical Sciences	Global Cultures
Business Administration	Music Theatre
Public Health Policy, BA	Public Health Sciences, BS



# UC LOS ANGELES



- Largest UC Campus
- Outstanding academic reputation
- Intense academic climate
- Lead the nation in number of collegiate athletic championships

# UCLA COMPETITIVE MAJORS

- All Economics (Alt.-Math/Applied Science)
- Engineering
- Biological Sciences
- Psychology
- Sociology
- English
- Communications
- International Development Studies
- School of Theatre, Film & Television
  - Google- “UCLA Profile of Admitted Transfer Students

# UCLA UNIQUE MAJORS

Ethnomusicology	World Arts and Cultures
Ecology, Behavior and Evolution	European Studies
American Literature and culture	Applied Science
Atmospheric, Oceanic and Environmental Science	Architectural 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 COMPETITIVE MAJORS

- Business Administration
- Engineering
- Biological Sciences
- Biochemistry &  
Chemistry
- College of Natural  
Agricultural Science

# UC RIVERSIDE UNIQUE MAJORS

<b>Anthr., Hist., PS., Philo., Soc./Law and Society</b>	<b>Art History/Administrative Studies</b>
Business Administration	Media and Cultural Studies, Film and Visual Media Track
Entomology	Geoscience Education
Business Informatics	Enviro. Engr.-Water Pollution Control Tec
Dance: Choreography and Performance Option	Liberal 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
- Casual, laid back environment
- Housing can be expensive



# UCSB COMPETITIVE MAJORS

- Engineering
- Computer Science
- Biological Science
- Pre-Major Status
  - Accounting & Economics
  - Political Science
  - Psychology
  - Sociology
  - Math
- College of Creative Studies



# UC SANTA BARBARA UNIQUE MAJORS

<b>Actuarial Science</b>	<b>Financial Mathematics and Statistics</b>
History of Public Policy	Hydrologic Sciences and Policy
Medieval Studies	College of Creative Studies
Renaissance Studies	Pharmacology

# 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, with miles of bike trails and hiking paths winding through it



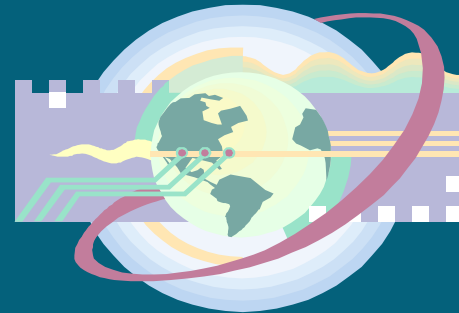
- Encourage students who wish to design unique major programs
- Computer Science: Computer Game Design
- Beach only ten minutes from campus by bike
- With Berkeley, one of the most liberal of the UC campuses





# UCSC COMPETITIVE MAJORS

- Psychology
- Environmental Studies
- Art



# UC SANTA CRUZ UNIQUE MAJORS

American Studies	Biology, Human Biology
Environmental Studies	Feminist Studies/Sexuality Studies
Film and Digital Media-Production Concentration	History of Art and Visual culture
Legal Studies	Computer Science: Computer Game Design
Information Systems Management	



# UCSD

University of California, 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



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- 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



# 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
- Marshall-2 upper division courses



# UCSD COMPETITIVE MAJORS

- Biological Science
- Engineering
- Computer Science

# UCSD UNIQUE MAJORS

Critical Gender Studies	Literature of the World
Third World Studies	Biology w/Bioinformatics
Nanoengineering	Physiology and Neuroscience
Visual Arts/Interdisciplinary Computing and the Arts	Sociology/Science and Medicine
Pharmacological Chemistry	

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- Biological Science
- Engineering
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# UC MERCED



- UC Merced offers 21 majors, 22 minors and 12 graduate programs taught by more than 300 full-time faculty members.
- Visiting professors and lecturers, come to Merced from some of the world's top-ranked universities.
- The list will continue to grow as the campus reaches 10,000 students by 2020.
- Located in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada, near Yosemite National Park



# WHERE IS UC MERCED?



- 2 hours from Sacramento
- 2 hours from San Francisco
- 1 hour from Fresno
- 1 hour from Yosemite

# UC MERCED

- **Special research institutes established at the university include:**  
[Health Sciences Research Institute](#)  
[Sierra Nevada Research Institute](#)  
[University of California Advanced Solar Technologies Institute \(UC Solar\)](#)  
[Center for Information Technology Research in the Interest of Society \(CITRIS\)](#)
- **In addition, startup funding has been received for the:**  
[Blum Center](#) themed “Global California: The World at Home”  
UC Merced Center for Computational Biology  
[Center of Excellence for the Study of Health Disparities in Rural and Ethnic Underserved Populations](#)  
[UC Merced Center for the Humanities](#)
- **UC Merced has also entered into collaborative research partnerships with the:**  
[Central Valley Higher Education Consortium](#)  
[Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory](#)  
[National Park Service](#)

# MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

**To be considered for UC admission as a Junior, you must fulfill the following requirements:**

Complete 60 semester (90 quarter) units of transferable college credit with a GPA of at least 2.4 (2.8 if you're a nonresident).

Two transferable college courses (3 semester or 4-5 quarter units each) in English composition

One transferable college course (3 semester or 4-5 quarter units) in mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning;

Four transferable college courses (3 semester or 4-5 quarter units each) chosen from at least two of the following subject areas:

arts and humanities

social and behavioral sciences

physical and biological sciences

# MAJOR PREPARATION IS CRITICAL

- [WWW.ASSIST.ORG](http://WWW.ASSIST.ORG)
- [WWW.SMC.EDU/Articulation](http://WWW.SMC.EDU/Articulation)
- Best candidates should have all major prep completed
- Priority should be given to major preparation rather than general education as some majors do not require IGETC
- Best candidates work on Major prep and IGETC simultaneously

## RECOMMENDED GPA FOR NON COMPETITIVE MAJORS:

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



# FALL ADMISSION ONLY

- **Application November 1-30<sup>th</sup> but can apply as early as August 1<sup>st</sup>.**
- **All campuses except Merced**
- **Subject to change with very little change.**
  - **If open for Winter- Apply July 1-31<sup>st</sup>**
  - **If open for Spring- Apply October 1-31<sup>st</sup>**



- All U.S. and foreign college and university course work must be reported on the admissions application
- Complete minimum admissions requirements especially in English and math, as soon as possible.
- Always complete sequences:  
(eg: Physics 21,22,23) prior to transfer
- Apply to several campuses!



# IGETC REMINDERS

- Minimum “C” grades
- 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

# UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA TRANSFER ADMISSION GUARANTEE (TAG)

- All but Berkeley, UCLA and UCSD offer TAG's
- Not all majors are available for TAG's
- Minimum Requirements are different!
- Submission Deadline for Fall applicants is September 30<sup>th</sup>
- Must also complete a UC Admission Application by November 30th



For more information and to fill out a TAG, go to:  
<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/transfer/guarantee/index.html>



# RESOURCES FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Campus General Catalogs
- Web
  - [www.universityofcalifornia.edu](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu)
  - [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org)
- Representative visits (Including International Evaluators)
- Campus visits
- SMC Counselors