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WINTER/SPRING 2026
EVENTS, WORKSHOPS & COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY VISITS
VIRTUAL, IN-PERSON & HYBRID

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EVENTS

SPRING 2026 COLLEGE FAIR

Thursday, April 30, 2026

10am – 1pm

Main Campus Quad

For more information visit www.smc.edu/collegefair

SMC Writing & Humanities Tutoring Center
2026 Online Winter Workshop

Writing a Compelling Transfer Essay



Choose one of two dates to learn:

- How to develop concrete and specific details that will help you stand out and underscore your accomplishments and talents.
- How and why to explain academic or personal challenges and missteps.
- How to prove knowledge and understanding of the institution and department you are applying to.
- How to save time by repurposing ideas and paragraphs for different multiple schools.
- How to avoid pitfalls and clichés.



January 23, 2026

10:00am - 11:30am



February 6, 2026

12:00pm - 1:30pm

Thinking about Transferring to UC Campus?

Save the Date 

UC Transfer Student Panel
(with UC Berkeley Students)

Real advice from students who transferred from community college



 Jan 29, 2026
 11AM - 1PM
 Santa Monica College
 Hybrid: SSC 183 + ZOOM

 Transfer Application Tips
 What UCs are looking for
 Student Panel Q&A

More details coming soon! Register via the QR code

Hosted by Santa Monica College Transfer Center
in partnership with UC Berkeley PASS SoCal





WINTER 2026 DATE & TOPICS:

Tuesday, February 3

Learn more about CalGETC

SPRING 2026 DATES & TOPICS:

Dates TBD

Food will be provided (*while supplies last*)

WORKSHOPS



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**COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY – SCHOOL OF GENERAL STUDIES
INFORMATION SESSION (HYBRID)**

Presented by,
Diana O'Donnell from CUSGS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2026

11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Registration Link for virtual or in-person

On-ground: HSS 165

*NOTE: This session is being offered as a Hybrid Workshop.
The workshop will be presented virtually as well as in the classroom.*

[Additional Workshop Information](#)



image of USC sign

HOW TO TRANSFER TO USC – ADMISSION PRESENTATION (HYBRID)

Presented by
Chelsey Kaufman
and
Matthew Mangione from USC

Date TBD

*NOTE: This session is being offered as a Hybrid Workshop.
The workshop will be presented virtually as well as in the classroom.
Workshop WILL NOT be recorded.*

Sign up for the [Mailing List](#)
[Additional workshop information](#)



HOW TO TRANSFER TO LMU – ADMISSION PRESENTATION (HYBRID)

Presented by,
Samantha Reavis from LMU

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2026

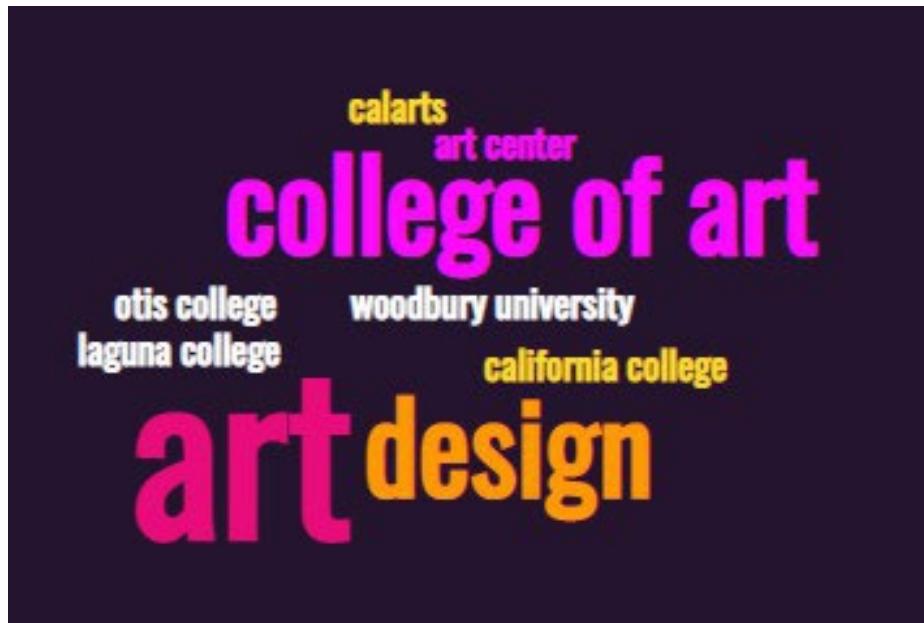
11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Registration Link for virtual or in-person

On-ground: SSC 290

*NOTE: This session is being offered as a Hybrid Workshop.
The workshop will be presented virtually as well as in the classroom.*

[Additional Workshop Information](#)



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ART SCHOOL PANEL & PORTFOLIO REVIEW

Art schools presenting (Tentative List):

Art Center
California College of the Arts (CCA)
California Institute of the Arts (CalArts)
Laguna College of Art and Design (LCAD)
Otis College of Art and Design
Woodbury University

PRESENTATION (HYBRID)

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026

11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Registration Link for virtual or in-person
On-ground: SSC 183, Orientation Hall

*NOTE: This session is being offered as a Hybrid Workshop.
The workshop will be presented virtually as well as in the classroom.*

PORTFOLIO REVIEW (IN-PERSON)

Representatives from each school will be available to review portfolios.

1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

SSC 230, Transfer Lounge

To view a calendar of all transfer workshops scheduled for **WINTER/SPRING** [visit our website!](#)

UNIVERSITIES OF CALIFORNIA (UC)

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| UC, IRVINE | | REPRESENTATIVE: BRYAN PARKER |
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| | | Virtual Appointments & 1:1 Appointments Website Link |

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| UCLA | | REPRESENTATIVE: Inez Gonzalez & REPRESENTATIVE: Diana Torres |
| EMAIL: igonzalez@admission.ucla.edu EMAIL: dtorres@admission.ucla.edu | | PHONE: (310) 206-4333 |

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| UCLA-CCCP | | REPRESENTATIVE: Blen Ashebir | |
| EMAIL: bashebir@college.ucla.edu | | PHONE: n/a | |
| Monday, January 26 | 6-8 | Virtual Drop-in Visit | Zoom link |
| Friday, January 30 | 6-8 | Virtual Drop-in Visit | Zoom link |
| Monday, February 2 | 6-8 | Virtual Drop-in Visit | Zoom link |
| Friday, February 6 | 6-8 | Virtual Drop-in Visit | Zoom link |
| Monday, February 9 | 6-8 | Virtual Drop-in Visit | Zoom link |
| Friday, February 20 | 6-8 | Virtual Drop-in Visit | Zoom link |
| Monday, February 23 | 6-8 | Virtual Drop-in Visit | Zoom link |
| Friday, February 27 | 6-8 | Virtual Drop-in Visit | Zoom link |
| Monday, March 2 | 6-8 | Virtual Drop-in Visit | Zoom link |
| Friday, March 6 | 6-8 | Virtual Drop-in Visit | Zoom link |
| Monday, March 9 | 6-8 | Virtual Drop-in Visit | Zoom link |
| Friday, March 13 | 6-8 | Virtual Drop-in Visit | Zoom link |
| Monday, March 16 | 6-8 | Virtual Drop-in Visit | Zoom link |
| Friday, March 20 | 6-8 | Virtual Drop-in Visit | Zoom link |

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| UCLA-CCCP | | REPRESENTATIVE: Haylee Nguyen | |
| EMAIL: hayleen@college.ucla.edu | | PHONE: n/a | |
| Wednesday, January 21 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Thursday, January 22 | 2-4 | Virtual Visit | Appointment link |
| Monday, January 26 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Wednesday, January 28 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Thursday, January 29 | 2-4 | Virtual Visit | Appointment link |
| Monday, February 2 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Wednesday, February 4 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Thursday, February 5 | 2-4 | Virtual Visit | Appointment link |
| Monday, February 9 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Wednesday, February 11 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Thursday, February 12 | 2-4 | Virtual Visit | Appointment link |
| Wednesday, February 18 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Thursday, February 19 | 2-4 | Virtual Visit | Appointment link |
| Monday, February 23 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Wednesday, February 25 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Thursday, February 26 | 2-4 | Virtual Visit | Appointment link |
| Monday, March 2 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Wednesday, March 4 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Thursday, March 5 | 2-4 | Virtual Visit | Appointment link |
| Monday, March 9 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Wednesday, March 11 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Thursday, March 12 | 2-4 | Virtual Visit | Appointment link |
| Monday, March 16 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Wednesday, March 18 | 2:30-5 | In-person Drop-in Visit | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Thursday, March 18 | 2-4 | Virtual Visit | Appointment link |

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| UC, RIVERSIDE | | REPRESENTATIVE: Camilla Valadez |
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| UC, SANTA BARBARA | | REPRESENTATIVE: Betsabe Lopez Morales |
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| UC, SANTA CRUZ | | REPRESENTATIVE: Sandra Ponce |
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| | | Virtual Appointments Appointment Link |

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| UC, SANTA CRUZ - INTERNATIONAL | | REPRESENTATIVE: Laura Gail |
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| | | Virtual Appointments Appointment Link |

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITIES (CSU)

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| CSU, CHANNEL ISLANDS - INTERNATIONAL | | REPRESENTATIVE: Ali Yalkin |
| EMAIL: alipamir.yalkin@csuci.edu | | PHONE: (805) 437-3134 |
| Tuesday, February 17 | 10-1 | In-Person Visit SSC 3rd floor lobby |

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| CSU, DOMINGUEZ HILLS | | REPRESENTATIVE: Paola Fajardo Perez |
| EMAIL: pfajardoperez1@csudh.edu | | PHONE: (310) 243-2044 |
| Wednesday, February 18 | 11:30-1:30 | In-Person Visit Main Campus Quad |
| Wednesday, February 25 | 11:30-1:30 | In-Person Visit Main Campus Quad |
| Monday, March 9 | 10:15-11:15 | Next Steps for Fall 2026 Admitted Students Registration Link SSC 291 |
| Tuesday, March 24 | 12-2 | In-Person Visit Main Campus Quad |
| Tuesday, April 7 | 10:30-12:30 | In-Person Visit Main Campus Quad |
| Tuesday, April 21 | 10:30-12:30 | In-Person Visit Main Campus Quad |
| Wednesday, May 6 | 12-2 | In-Person Visit Main Campus Quad |
| Tuesday, May 12 | 10:30-12:30 | In-Person Visit Main Campus Quad |

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| CSU, FULLERTON | | REPRESENTATIVE: Talani Solia |
| EMAIL: tsolia@fullerton.edu | | PHONE: (657) 278-8116 |
| Tuesday, February 17 | | In-Person Visit Main Campus Quad |
| Wednesday, March 25 | | In-Person Visit SSC 230, Transfer Lounge Appointment Link |

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| CSU, LOS ANGELES | | REPRESENTATIVE: Dale Alexander | |
| EMAIL: dalexan3@calstatela.edu | | PHONE: (323) 343-3901 | |
| Wednesday, February 25 | 10-12 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Wednesday, March 11 | 10-12 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Wednesday, March 25 | 10-12 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Wednesday, April 8 | 10-12 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Wednesday, April 22 | 10-12 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Wednesday, May 6 | 10-12 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |

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| CSU, NORTHridge | | REPRESENTATIVE: Yesenia Cardenas |
| EMAIL: yesenia.cardenas@csun.edu | | PHONE: (818) 677-2967 |
| Tuesday, February 17 | 10-2 | In-Person Visit |
| Wednesday, March 18 | 10-12 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link |
| | 12-2 | In-Person Visit |
| Wednesday, April 1 | 10-2 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link |
| Wednesday, May 20 | 10-12 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link |
| | 12-2 | In-Person Visit |
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CALIFORNIA PRIVATE COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES

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| ANTIOCH UNIVERSITY | | REPRESENTATIVE: Harry McDonough |
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| AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY (APU) | | REPRESENTATIVE: Aaron Paek |
| EMAIL: apaek@apu.edu | | PHONE: (626) 691-3606 |
| Wednesday, March 4 | 12-1:30 | In-Person Visit |
| Wednesday, April 1 | 12-1:30 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link |

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| CALIFORNIA COLLEGE OF THE ARTS | | REPRESENTATIVE: Djavan Nascimento |
| EMAIL: djavan@cca.edu | | PHONE: (415) 707-7153 |
| | | Virtual Appointments Appointment Link |
| | | Admission/Tours and Events/Financial Aid/and more Web Link |

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| CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY | | REPRESENTATIVE: Aaron Acevedo | |
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| Thursday, February 19 | 9-11 | In-Person Visit | Main Campus Quad |
| Thursday, March 19 | 9:30-11 | Virtual Visit | Appointment Link |
| Thursday, April 23 | 9:30-11 | Virtual Visit | Appointment Link |
| Wednesday, May 13 | 9-11 | In-Person Visit | Main Campus Quad |

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| LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY (LMU) | | REPRESENTATIVE: Samantha Reavis | |
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| Wednesday, February 25 | 12-5 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Thursday, March 26 | 11:15-12:30 | Hybrid Information Session Registration Link | On-ground location: SSC 290 |
| | 1-5 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Wednesday, April 22 | 12-5 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |
| Wednesday, May 27 | 12-5 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |

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| MOUNT SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY | | REPRESENTATIVE: Lovie Binion | |
| EMAIL: lbinion@msmu.edu | | PHONE: (213) 277-2846 | |

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| NEW YORK FILM ACADEMY | | REPRESENTATIVE: Caroline Goldenberg | |
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| UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO | | REPRESENTATIVE: Caeli Koizumi | |
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| Wednesday, March 11 | 10-12 | In-Person Visit | Main Campus Quad |
| | 12-1 | In-Person Visit Appointment Link | SSC 230, Transfer Lounge |

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| UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST | | REPRESENTATIVE: Justine Estrada | |
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| Monday, April 8 | 10-1 | In-Person Visit | Main Campus Quad |

OUT OF STATE COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES

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| GRAND CANYON UNIVERSITY | | REPRESENTATIVE: Sherri Freeman | |
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| Thursday, February 26 | 1-3 | In-Person Visit | SSC 2 nd floor |

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| THE NEW SCHOOL | | REPRESENTATIVE: Sara Konekeo |
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[The New School](#) is well known for our five colleges below:

- [Parsons](#) School of Design (offers majors in Art & Design)
- [Eugene Lang](#) College of Liberal Arts (offers Liberal Arts and other majors)
- [College of Performing Arts](#) (offers programs in music and performing arts housed in 3 different schools, Mannes School of Music, School of Jazz, and School of Drama)
- [New School for Social Research](#), Graduate Programs
- [Schools of Public Engagement](#)
 - [Bachelor's Program for Adult & Transfer Students](#) School of Liberal Arts (offers Liberal Arts and other majors for nontraditional paths.)

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| NEW YORK UNIVERSITY – SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES | | REPRESENTATIVE: Gayle Kent |
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| OHIO UNIVERSITY | | REPRESENTATIVE: Renee Dodd |
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| RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL OF DESIGN | | REPRESENTATIVE: LJ Kunz |
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RISD has an extensive lineup of webinars like [RISD 101](#), a higher-level introduction to RISD, and [Application Prep](#) and [Portfolio Tips](#), a resource to help your students prepare for their application to art schools. You can see all the events and register on [risd.edu/live](#).

RISD offers multiple opportunities for individual portfolio reviews. There are online [RISD Portfolio Days](#), in-person [National Portfolio Day Association](#) (NPDA) [events](#), and the [Association of Independent Colleges of Art and Design](#) (AICAD) online platform. AICAD includes all the big art schools in North America, including RISD. Your students can upload images of their work to the [AICAD Portfolio Review Portal](#) and check off their desired schools. Then the selected schools will email them with feedback.

Interested in pursuing a fine arts or design education? Reach out for assistance at admissions@risd.edu.

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| SAVANNAH COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN | | REPRESENTATIVE: Caroline Kostecky |
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| SCHOOL OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO | | REPRESENTATIVE: Michael Trilling |
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| SMITH COLLEGE | | REPRESENTATIVE: Lia Brassord |
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| TEXAS TECH | | REPRESENTATIVE: Jennifer Wang |
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| UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER | | REPRESENTATIVE: Will Whitworth |
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Transfer Thursday Virtual Information Sessions

Prospective transfer students are highly encouraged to attend a **Transfer Thursday** session. These virtual sessions are hosted on *the first Thursday of every month*, and your attendance will allow you to learn more about the entire transfer process, including topics like: admissions requirements, the transfer credit evaluation, planning your pathway from a community college, tuition & fees, transfer scholarships, housing, and more.

In the second half of the one-hour session, you will also be able to meet with a department representative to discuss your program of interest in depth.

[Link to calendar](#)

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| UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI | | REPRESENTATIVE: Sarah Anne Kauffman |
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| SWARTHMORE UNIVERSITY | | REPRESENTATIVE: Windsor Jordan |
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INTERNATIONAL COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES

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| TEMPLE UNIVERSITY, JAPAN | | REPRESENTATIVE: Liam O'Neill |
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Please note that this schedule is frequently updated, and students should check www.smc.edu/transfer periodically for dates and times of additional representative visits.

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