UC seeks to improve transfer process
At the May meeting of the UC Regents, University of California officials unveiled a comprehensive strategy to make it easier for students to transfer to UC from the state’s community colleges. President Napolitano, who made transfer a priority early in her administration, convened a transfer action team last fall to identify ways the transfer process could be strengthened to better serve California students. The report includes a call to streamline course requirements, build stronger partnerships with community colleges that send low numbers of transfers to UC, and enhance programs and services on UC campuses that serve student transfers from California’s community colleges.

Learn more about the Transfer Action Team report at http://ucop.edu/transfer-action-team/.

Official document deadlines approaching
Students admitted to the fall 2014 term will need to submit final, official high school and college/university transcripts by July 1. Other required documents, such as official AP/IB exam scores and IGETC Certification, are due July 15.

UC recognizes that, due to the school calendar, some high schools, colleges/universities and districts will be unable to meet the July 1 deadline. All UC campuses will allow additional time for the receipt of required transcripts, and will not disadvantage students due to the inability of the school to meet this deadline.

UC’s intent in moving up the deadline is to allow more time for campuses to review documents and evaluate transfer credit, which often is necessary for summer orientation programs.

If you are certain that your high school or college will be unable to meet the July 1 deadline, write to AskUC@ucop.edu. We will ensure that all UC campuses receive a list of schools/colleges that will have
difficulty complying.

**Reporting class schedule changes and poor grades**

Students who change their class schedules or receive grades of D or F for the last term should immediately contact the admissions office at the campus they will be attending to learn if the change will impact the students’ offer of admission.

Each UC campus provides provisions of the admission offer; failure to meet these will make the offer subject to cancellation. It is helpful if the student informs us of final grades in all courses to show a balanced perspective of the academic accomplishments for the term. Generally, it is difficult for campuses to make a decision based on a “possible” grade. Until the student actually receives a grade below C, the campuses cannot offer much guidance.

**Admission Updates**

**Winter Quarter/Spring Semester 2015 application cycle**

All University of California campuses are formally closed to all applicants for the Winter Quarter/Spring Semester 2015. However, some campuses may accept limited applications for students with specific circumstances. Please inquire at the admissions office at the individual campuses.

**Personal statement prompts**

The UC freshman and transfer admission application personal statement prompts will remain unchanged for the fall 2015 application cycle. For more information, visit [http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/personal-statement/index.html](http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/personal-statement/index.html).

**University Updates**

**UC's Transcript Evaluation Service**

The University of California (UC) is enhancing and expanding access to its Transcript Evaluation Service (TES). TES data and programmatic services contributed to increases in CSU and UC eligibility rates of 21 and 16 percent, respectively, at schools that participated for at least three years. UC is now committing to making the system available to more schools and districts, while making TES faster, more user-friendly and more responsive to the needs of California schools. Your feedback during this process is invaluable. We appreciate you taking 5-10 minutes to complete the following survey.

**TES Feedback and Survey**

**Enhanced “a-g” course criteria & guidelines for 2015–16**

As part of the UCOP High School Articulation unit’s initiative to improve the overall “a-g” course submission and review process, clarified course criteria and guidelines have been developed by UC faculty. The updated information is available on the [A-G Guide](http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/personal-statement/index.html).
**UC’s A-G & Common Core – Mathematics course sequence options**
The High School Articulation staff in Undergraduate Admissions at UCOP has developed a set of commonly asked questions and answers related to the mathematics “c” subject requirement and how the Common Core State Standards will affect further math sequencing. The commonly asked questions can be found on the [A-G Guide](#).

**Dates and Deadlines Reminders**

**UC Counselor Conference registration open**
UC’s Counselor Conferences offer the latest information about UC admissions and financial aid. We welcome anyone who advises students about higher education to attend the one-day conferences held in September. The registration fee is $50. More information about the agenda will be coming soon.

*UC Counselor Conference dates for both high school and community college counselors:*

- Monday, Sept. 8: UC Santa Barbara
- Tuesday, Sept. 9: UC Irvine
- Wednesday, Sept. 10: UC Riverside
- Friday, Sept. 12: San Jose Convention Center (hosted by UC Berkeley)
- Saturday, Sept. 13: UC Merced

*CSU-UC Counselor Conference date for high school counselors only:*

- Monday, Sept. 15: Sacramento Convention Center (co-hosted by UC Davis and CSU Maritime)

For more information and to register, visit [www.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselorconferences/](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselorconferences/).

**A-G course list update: Phase 2**
The 2014-15 “a-g” course submission cycle is in Phase 2 (June 1–July 31). New courses initially submitted during this phase may have one opportunity for resubmission prior to the submission cycle closing date of Sept. 15. New courses that initially are submitted during the final Phase 3 (Aug. 1–Sept. 15) will have no opportunities for resubmission. As a reminder, the first resubmission for courses submitted during Phase 1 (Feb. 1–May 31) must be completed by the close of Phase 2 on July 31. The final deadline to submit new “a-g” courses, resubmissions and other “a-g” course list updates is Sept. 15, 2014.