

A MESSAGE FOR APPLICANTS AFFECTED BY FIRES AND/OR OTHER NATURAL DISASTERS

On behalf of our faculty, staff and students, the University of California would like to express profound sympathy and concern to those impacted by the recent spate of devastating natural disasters. Our community has pledged assistance to those in need and is committed to supporting applicants who have been affected by these events. For students who are applying to UC this fall, we hope the following information helps you during this difficult time.

APPLICATION FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS – FALL 2019

Requesting an extension and fee waiver: If you are unable to complete your application by November 30, you may request an extension to **December 15, 2018** by following three steps below:

1. Create your UC application account for fall 2019 at <https://universityofcalifornia.edu/apply>.
2. Email your extension request to ucinfo@applyucsupport.net with the following subject line: "Extension Request – Weather/Fire Event"
3. Your email should include the following:
 - a. Email address you used to open your application account
 - b. First and last name as it appears in your UC application
 - c. The reason for your request

You can continue to work on the application. Within 5-7 working days, you will receive an email noting the application submission instructions.

Fee waivers in conjunction with extension requests will only be granted to those directly affected by the California fires, such as having to contend with mandatory evacuations from their homes. Applicants who receive extensions for other reasons, such as stress or anxiety from air pollution, will still need to meet the required income guidelines for a fee waiver (for up to four UC campuses). You will be notified of whether you qualify for a fee waiver when you submit your UC application. If a payment is required, please follow the instructions for submitting payment.

Providing context: Students affected by recent natural disasters are encouraged to include relevant circumstances in the "Additional Comments" within the Personal Insight section of the application. Include details such as inability to complete specific courses, a mid-year school change, or other conditions that may affect your academic profile. UC campuses will make allowances, if appropriate, for applicants affected by long-term impacts of their circumstances.

APPLICATION HELP

If you have questions about completing the UC admissions application, please contact the UC Application Center at (800) 207-1710 (within U.S.) or (925) 298-6856 (outside U.S.), or email ucinfo@applyucsupport.net.

Standard Operating Hours:

Monday - Friday, 10am - 6pm PST
Saturday & Sunday - Closed

2018 Peak Seasonal Hours:

Nov. 1-21: Monday - Friday, 8am - 10pm PST
Nov. 22 (Thanksgiving): Closed
Nov. 23-28: 8am - 11pm PST
Nov. 29-30: 8am - midnight PST
Dec. 1: 8am - 6pm PST
Dec. 3: back to Standard Operating Hours

FRESHMAN TEST REQUIREMENT

If you still need to complete the standardized test requirement, we encourage you to register for the next available test administration. For more information on registration fee waivers for the November or December SAT, please contact the College Board Customer Service line at (866) 756-7346.

FINANCIAL AID AND STUDENTS AFFECTED BY CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES

We understand that the fires throughout California may result in changes in your or your family's financial circumstances for the upcoming year. We recommend that you, and all UC applicants, complete your financial aid application (FAFSA or California Dream Act Application) by the priority filing date of March 2, 2019.

The financial aid application asks for 2017 income and the value of current assets. However, if there are changes in your family's income or assets that you believe are not reflected on your application, or if you have any special circumstance that may affect your eligibility for financial aid, please contact the financial aid offices at the campuses that you are interested in attending.

Each campus has an appeal process that allows families to provide information that can be considered when determining financial aid eligibility. Follow any instructions you receive and be prepared to write a letter explaining your situation and to provide any written documentation to support your request for a review (e.g., insurance claims).