
Post-decision release: Next steps for admitted, waitlisted and denied students

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Agenda

- Decisions
- Admitted
- Waitlisted
- Denied
- Transfer Path



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Your first-year student has applied, what's next?

- Students will be notified between March 1-31
 - Each campus reviews and provides decisions independently
- Applicant/Campus portals
 - Students will be prompted to create a username and password to access each applicant/campus portal
- Communication is usually conducted via email to the address used on their application

Admitted decision

Your student has been admitted!

- An admission decision should include:
 - Major
 - College assignment (UC San Diego)
 - Provisional admission contract



Admitted student events

Events

- Students should take advantage of the events offered by the campuses they were admitted to, such as:
 - Admit days/open houses
 - Receptions
 - Webinars/virtual events
 - Meet and greets
 - Transitional summer programs



After admitted decision

Students have until May 1 to accept their offer/submit their Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) to one UC campus

- \$250 non-refundable deposit. Fee waivers available for those that qualify

Provisional admission

- Final official transcripts and test scores are required to verify what was reported on the UC application and to meet UC minimum requirements
- Each campus provides conditions for admission, detailed in a provisional contract
- Students' admission is confirmed during the summer after verification that all provisions have been met; violations of the admission contract may result in cancellation of admission

Admitted – Staying up to date

Enrollment checklist and action items

- Each campus will provide an enrollment checklist via their applicant portal
- Example checklist items:
 - Transcripts and test scores
 - Housing
 - Immunizations and student health
 - Orientation
 - Registration of classes



Admitted student circumstances

Application updates/changes

- Students should contact each campus they've been admitted to about any application changes or updates, as each campus handles modifications differently
 - Schedule changes
 - Misreported grades
 - Deficient senior year grades
 - Major changes

Deferments

- Some campuses **may** allow deferments which are granted on a case-by-case basis
 - Medical reasons, military, mission trips, etc.

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Waitlisted decision

What to do with a waitlist offer:

- Students must opt-in to the waitlist
- Students can opt-in to waitlists from multiple campuses
- Students can only accept one offer of admission
- Students should submit a SIR to a college or university where they have been admitted prior to the May 1 deadline

Waitlist myths and misconceptions

- The waitlist is ranked
 - **No**
- Your student can send letters of continued interest or recommendations to better their chances
 - **No**
- Your student should call the admissions office to learn about their status on the waitlist
 - **No**

Waitlist decision timeline

- Campuses generally admit students from the waitlist between May and July
- Students may not appeal their admission decision while on the waitlist
- Some campuses may allow students who are denied from the waitlist to appeal their final decision

Why was a student not admitted?

- All applications are thoroughly reviewed in a comprehensive review process
- Applicant pools are very competitive, as applications to the UC system increase every year
- Campuses typically cannot provide a specific reason as to why students are denied, as there are many factors considered during the comprehensive review process
- Campuses do not accept letters of recommendation or letters of continued interest after someone has received a denial decision

Denied appeal information

- All UC campuses will accept/review appeals when a student has not been offered admission
- Successful appeals are very rare
- Each campus has various deadlines and timelines for when appeal decisions are released
- Appeal decisions are final. Students will not be able to appeal that decision or submit any additional information after that point

Denied appeal content

- If a student chooses to submit an appeal, they must provide NEW and COMPELLING information for further consideration

Not NEW and COMPELLING information:

- Sport or club
- New award
- New grade during senior year

NEW and COMPELLING Information:

- Recent death in the family
- Not previously disclosed compound disadvantages
- Misreported coursework

Transfer path

- The transfer path is a great option for students who were not accepted as a first-year but still want to attend a UC
- Transfer admit rates are higher than first-year rates at most UC campuses
 - UC San Diego first-year admit rate for Fall 2024: 27%
 - UC San Diego transfer admit rate for Fall 2024: 55%
- UC campuses offer advising on transfer requirements for prospective students to make sure they are on track to transfer to a university
- Resources for transfer students:
 - UC TAP
 - Assist.org

Thank you



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