Transfer 101: Lessons in transfer admissions

September 2024







Agenda

- Defining a transfer student
- Transfer timeline
- Eligibility vs. selection
- Evaluation topics
- Navigating ASSIST
- Campus resources
- Q&A









Pre-assessment

Let's test our knowledge!

- Are all CCC courses transferable to all UCs?
- Is IGETC or an associate's degree needed for transfer?
- Which UC campus(es) admits winter & spring applicants?
- Can a student transfer from one UC to another UC if they are not in good academic standing?
- Can students see UC-transferable coursework from a 4-year institution on ASSIST.org?







Answers to pre-assessment questions:

- 1. NO.
- 2. NO.
- 3. Santa Cruz, Riverside, and Merced
- 4. NO.
- 5. NO.

Defining a transfer student







Who is a transfer applicant?

A transfer applicant is any applicant who has:

- 1) Graduated from, left high school, or equivalent (such as a GED or HiSET)
- 2) Enrolled in a regular term at a college or university after high school









Enrolled in a regular term and completed the term. Graduated/completed high school or equivalent such as GED, California Proficiency HiSET, etc.

- Your students must apply as a transfer applicant if they're enrolled in a regular session (fall, winter or spring) at a college or university after high school graduation/completion.
 - Exception: student that takes classes during the summer after high school graduation/completion is still a first-year applicant.

Which of these students would be considered a transfer applicant?



Isabella is a junior in high school and is currently taking courses at a California Community College. She will have completed over 60 semester/90 quarter UC transferable units by the time she graduates high school.



Josh received his high school diploma but decided to take some time after graduation. He is now enrolled in a winter/spring term at his local community college.



Sofia graduated from her high school in December and is now enrolled in her local community college for the spring semester.







- Considerations: Dual-enrollment and mid-year students; encourage these students to apply as FR for campus services
 - o **IF** they apply as a TR and meet requirements we will evaluate them as such

You may have questions about students regarding early graduation, and that will be up to the individual UC campus's discretion. Please reach out to each office for that!

Definition of a California Community College transfer student

Student has completed at least 30 semester (45 quarter) UC-transferable units at one or more California Community Colleges



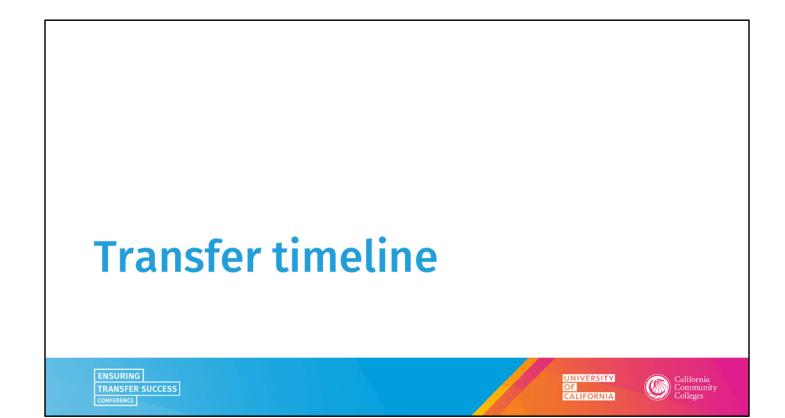
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College is the student's last
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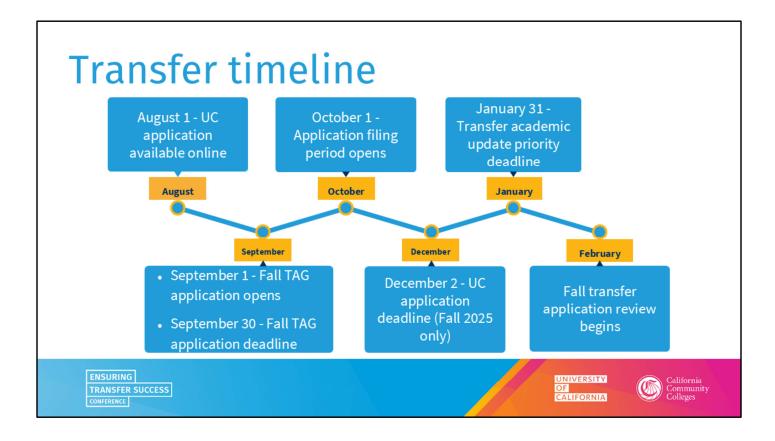






If the student went to a CCC and then transferred to a CSU and then changed their mind and wanted to transfer to a UC, they are no longer defined as a CCC student. This is important because UCs give preference to CCC transfer students.

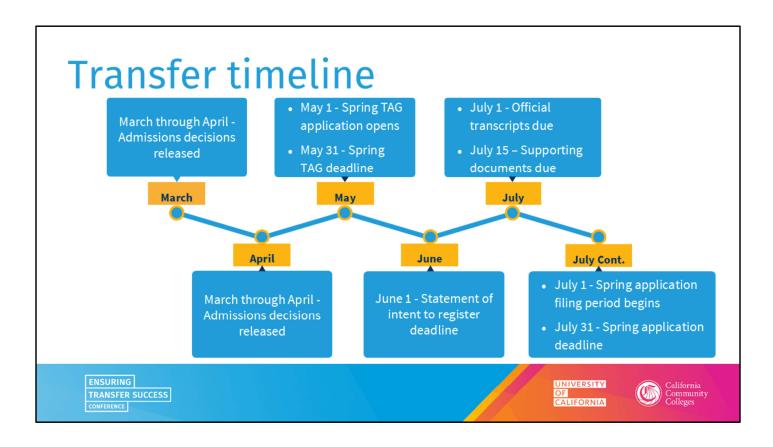




TAG (Transfer Admissions Guarantee) – TAP-TAG session will go further in-depth regarding TAG. Please read TAG definition: Six UC campuses offer guaranteed admission to students from all CA community colleges. Interested students must meet campus-specific requirements to qualify for a TAG. By participating in a TAG program, students can ensure their admission to a specific UC campus.

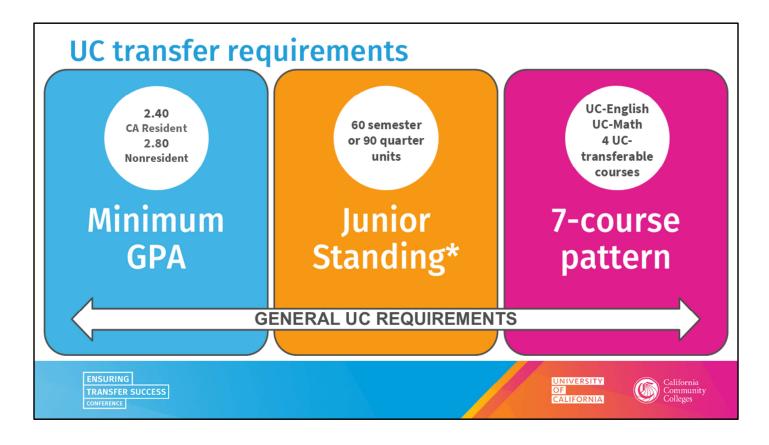
Please remember to remind students to submit applications between October 1 - December 2 for the fall term and between July 1-31 for the winter/spring term.

December 2 – deadline relevant for Fall 2025 applicants only



July 15 – supporting documents such as IGETC, AP/IB scores, etc.

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Basic eligibility requirements – GPA, units, 7-course pattern. Reminder that eligibility does not mean admission!

60 sem/90 qtr in UC-transferable units

*While most of the UC campuses are looking at junior transfer students, some campuses may accept applications for lower-division or sophomore

transfers. https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/transfer-requirements/preparing-to-transfer/other-types-of-transfers.html

7-course pattern:

Two transferable **English** composition courses

One transferable course in mathematical concepts & quantitative reasoning

Four transferable college courses chosen from at least two of the following subject areas:

- Arts & Humanities
- Social & Behavioral Sciences
- Physical and Biological Sciences

UC-transferable GPA



• GPA vs. UC-transferable GPA

 The overall GPA listed on the CCC transcript is different than an applicant's UC-transferable GPA

• UC-transferable GPA

- Only takes into account grades from transferable courses
- Non-transferable courses are not calculated into UC transferable GPA







7-Course pattern

Must be completed by the end of the spring term prior to transferring in the fall

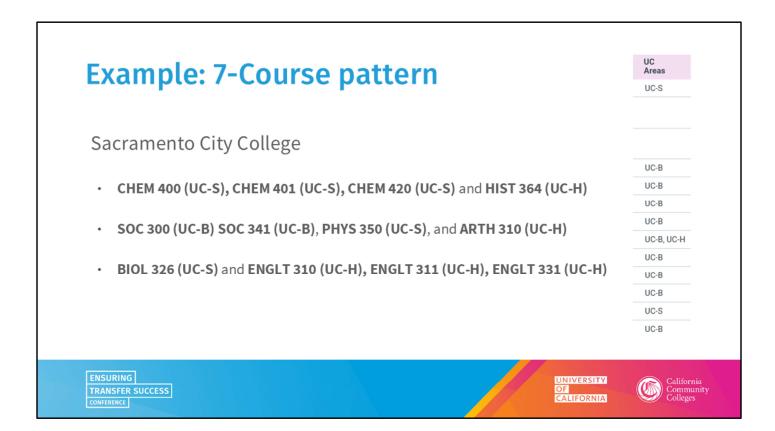
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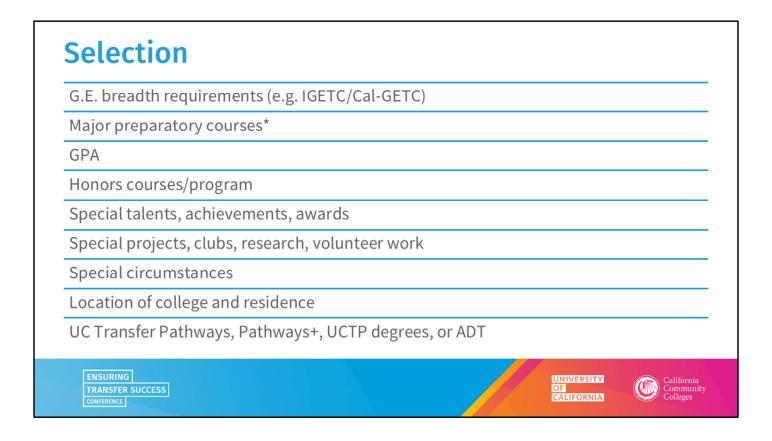


For example, if the student is entering their first term at the UC in fall 2025, 7-course pattern must be completed spring 2025.



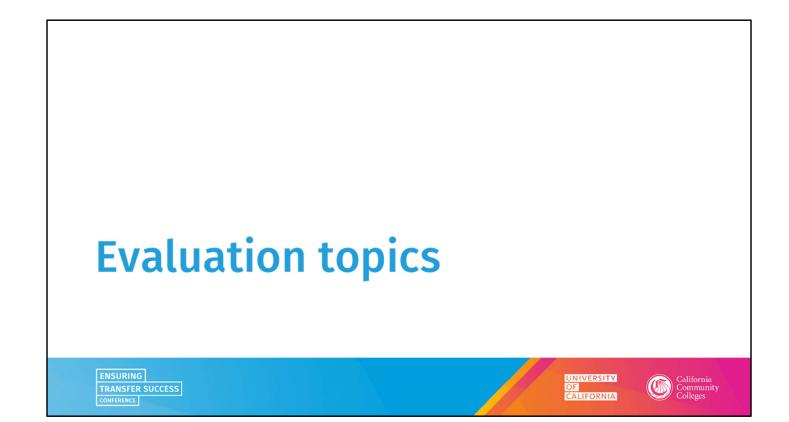
On **ASSIST**, courses marked with "**UC-**" will satisfy the five areas of the seven-course requirements:

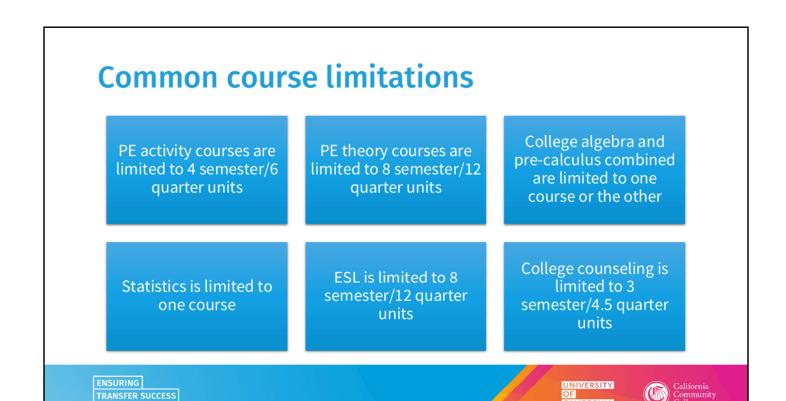
E = English, M = Math, H = Humanities, B = Behavioral and Social Sciences, S = Biological and Physical Sciences.



9 points of comprehensive review: https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/applying-as-a-transfer/how-applications-are-reviewed.html

- *Explain major prep courses and significance in selection process outline how MP courses vary between UCs and can often differ from major to major
- Some majors are more selective than others, meaning it will be more competitive
- Not all CCCs offer MP for certain majors, so we will have to utilize other selection criteria to make our decisions





Sequential subjects

- Math, language other than English, ESL and chemistry are sequential subjects
- No credit for lower-level course after a more advanced level has already been completed with a C or higher grade*
- Check prerequisites in course catalog to determine the sequential order of courses









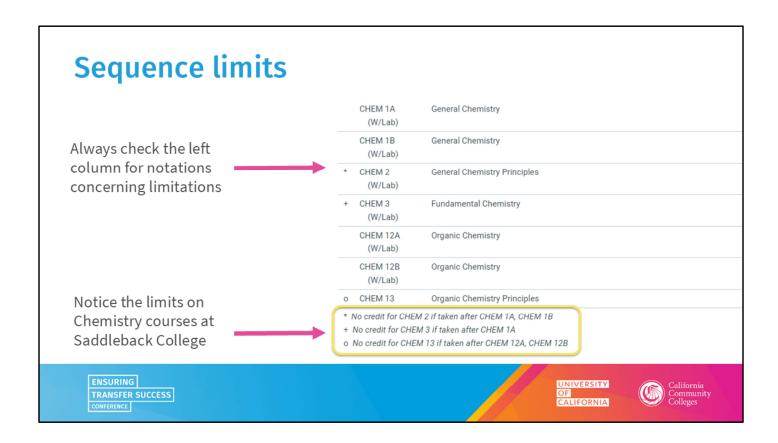
Sequential subjects for UC are chemistry, English as a second language (ESL), languages other than English (LOTE), and mathematics. Repeat of courses out of sequence is not allowed.

*If a student earned a 'C' or better in a sequential course, they can't go back to a lower level (LL) and receive credit.

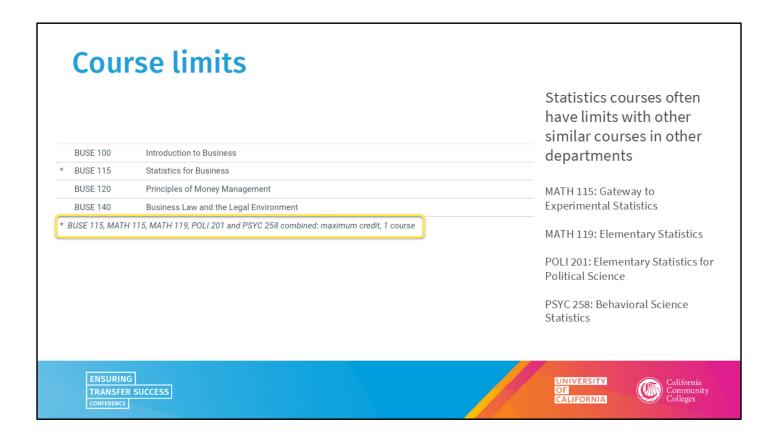
NEW POLICY: If 'C-' (below 2.0) or lower, can go back to a LL course and receive credit for LL course.***Applicable to all sequential subjects (Math, chem, LOTE, ESL)

- For TR students only
- Student is still receiving credit for D grade in Upper Level (UL) course unless repeated

Note: Although not common, in some cases Organic CHEM 1 can be taken before CHEM 1B if the college's catalog states the prerequisite for Organic CHEM 1 is CHEM 1A only. Check course catalog for prerequisites.



Common sequence limits tend to show up in math, chemistry, and languages. Remember, all these limits will be notes in footnotes, which is why it is so critical to train yourself and to remind students to look for them.



Pic 1: San Diego City College

Always be mindful of the footnotes!

Duplicate limits also show up for honors courses. We give credit to the course that benefits the student, while keeping in mind units, MP, grade earned

Academic renewal



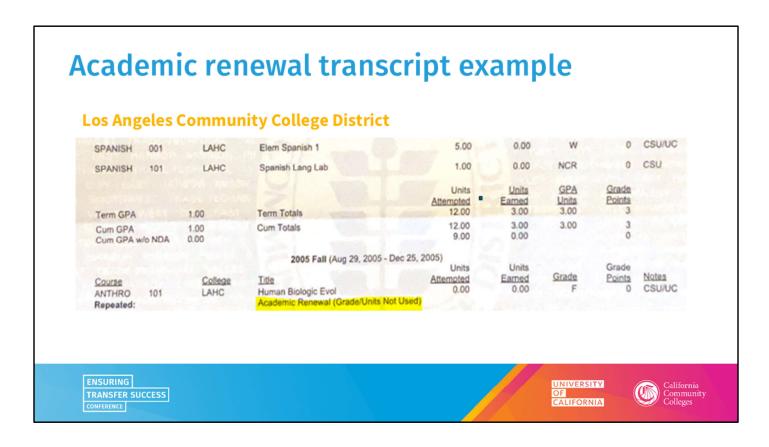
- Students may elect to have previously completed courses disregarded in the computation of their cumulative grade point average (GPA)
- Academic renewal is not the same as repeating courses
- Approved academic renewal courses will have a special notation on students' CCC transcripts
- Courses should be marked as 'AR' on UC Application



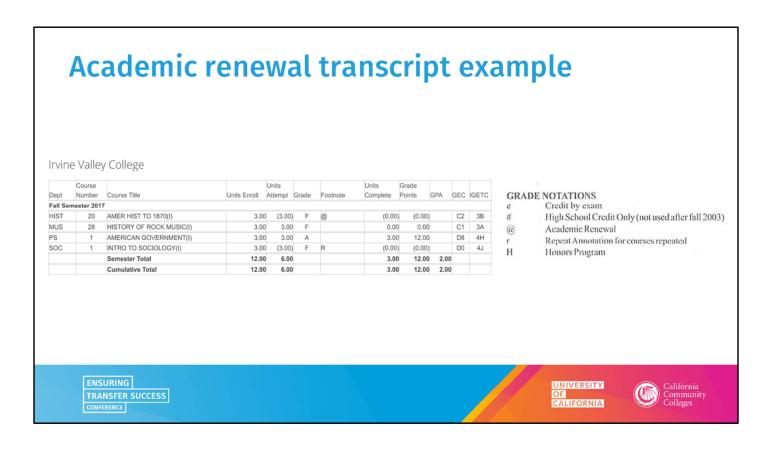




What is Academic Renewal? Removal of deficient grade from a student's record Petitions for academic renewal must be done at the institution where the course was taken The Transfer Admission 201 will go over AR extensively



Here's an example of what an Academic Renewal notation looks like on a transcript. Grades are not used, not calculated into GPA and not towards Units.



Here's an example of how AR is notated on another college transcript

Withdrawals

 Coursework marked as 'Withdrawal' or 'Excused Withdrawal' has no grade point value

However...

 Failure to withdraw and unauthorized withdrawals are considered 'F' grades









Withdrawals

- It's important for a student to report withdrawals accurately
- Mention not included/included in GPA calculations
- Student should not omit any withdrawals.
 - While "W" and "EW" have no grade point value, it can trigger a gap in education if a student omits.
 - For example, student enrolled at the community college for fall 2020 and received "W" marks for every course. The student omits fall 2020. The student reports courses starting in spring 2021. It's likely the student may be contacted to explain their gap in education. The student may not respond and this can impact the application review.
 - Another possibility is that the student may respond and state they enrolled in courses but ended up withdrawing from all their courses. The evaluator may request more details and/or an unofficial transcript to verify withdrawals. This delays the review. It's best for students to report all courses and marks at the time of application.
- Always important to check the transcript keying form!

Language of instruction (LOI)

- No lower-division credit for language acquisition courses or AP language exams if that language was the LOI in all of 9th grade or beyond
- OK to allow credit for lower-division literature courses

Example:

 LOI in 9th & 10th was Spanish, no credit for any CCC Spanish language courses/or AP Spanish Language. AP Spanish Literature ok for credit



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A student who has completed at least nine years of education (or through the ninth grade) conducted in a language of instruction that was not English, including a full year of coursework equivalent to a year within grades 9–12 of the U.S. curriculum, may receive credit for language courses in the language of instruction only for courses taken at international collegiate institutions (where the language of instruction is not English) or for upper-division courses taken at UC or at another English-speaking institution of approved standing.

College credit for literature in the language of instruction is allowed.

Navigating ASSIST ENSURING TRANSFER SUCCESS COHERENCE CALIFORNIA CALIFORNIA

ASSIST.org

- "Guiding hand" for Transfer advising
- Important tool to familiarize yourself with

Common questions

- What is ASSIST?
- Can you find which courses satisfy the UC-M or UC-E in ASSIST?
- Can a list of all UC-transferable courses be found on ASSIST.org?
- Should students utilize ASSIST to review what major prep is available at a particular community college?
- · Is ASSIST updated on a yearly basis?







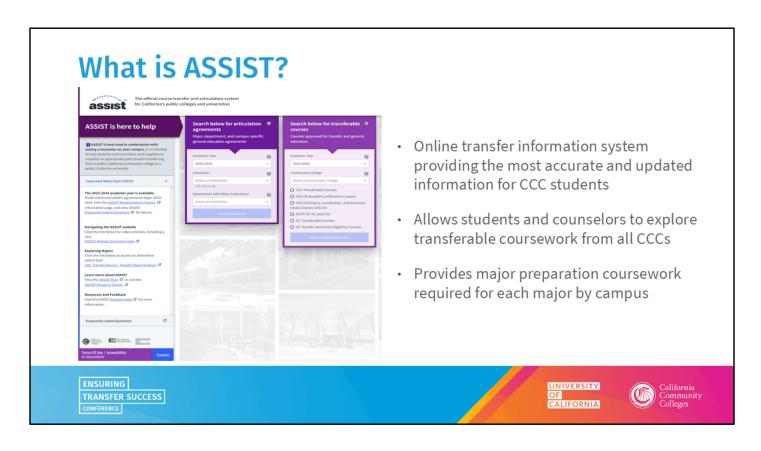
As UC admissions advisors, here are some of the most common questions we receive from CCC students and staff

The ASSIST public website (<u>assist.org</u>) includes the 2023-2024 academic year as an available selection for transferability lists.

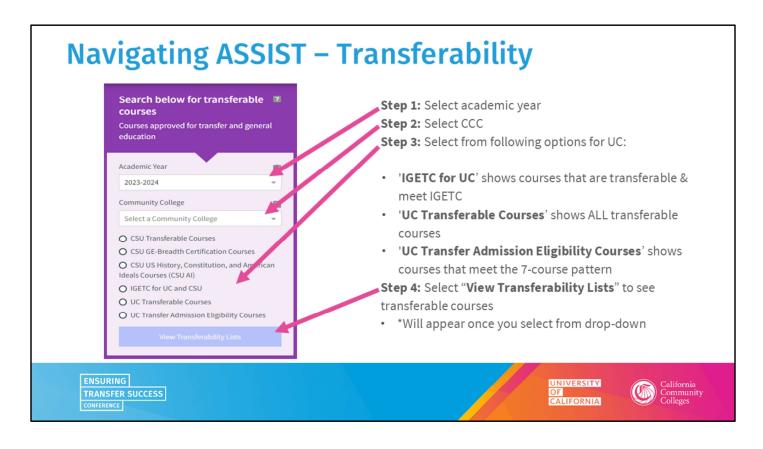
Thanks to the improved technology supporting the assist.org website, we can release the new academic year in phases. The first release phase for the 2024-2025 academic year is for the transferability list search box.

The Modernized Articulation application has not yet been released to CSU and UC AOs in a live environment, which means that articulation agreements for 2024-2025 have not yet been published. As such, the new academic year for articulation agreement searching will be added in a second release phase.

A "Coming Soon" banner is now available on assist.org to communicate that the availability of 2024-2025 modernized articulation agreements is forthcoming.



Explain how to navigate ASSIST, discuss how to locate UC-E, UC-M courses, and an articulation agreements between CCCs and UCs (can be specific to major)



All UC campuses use the same transferability list

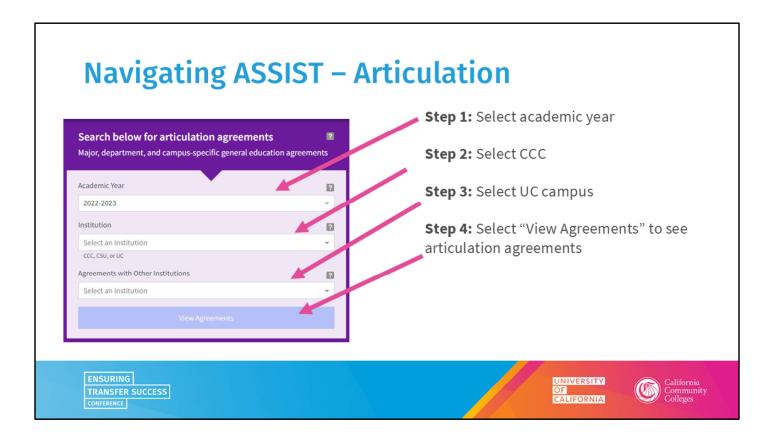
Keep in mind to update course transferability year to year

Transferability – units for the course will be accepted by the institution to meet eligibility



You may view transferability lists by department or by prefix (e.g. ECON or BIO)

Used to meet unit minimum and seven course pattern GPA is calculated based on all transferable courses As a reminder, not all transferable courses will articulate



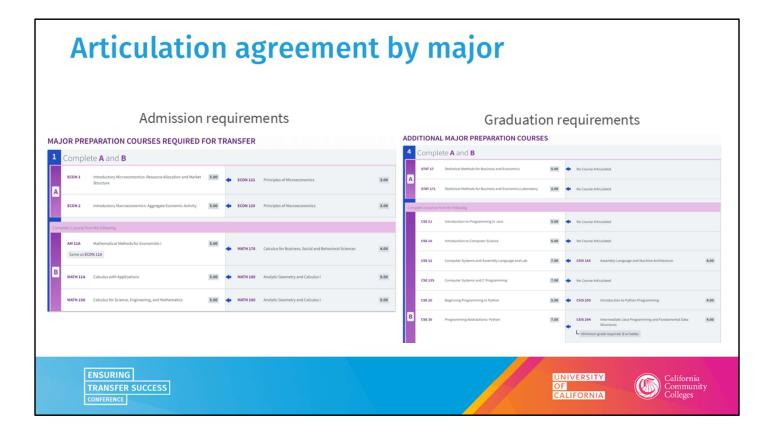
Articulation is campus-specific, so to view articulated courses, you must indicate a specific institution in the "Agreement with other Institutions" box. If a student is trying to meet major requirements for multiple UC campuses, they will need to check articulation agreements separately on ASSIST for each campus and they may have different courses for that same or a similar major.

Campus-specific articulation determines whether CCC coursework will satisfy major, breadth or other requirements at each UC campus. Each respective UC campus manages the following:

- Campus-specific general education/breadth agreements
- Course-to-course agreements (by department)
- Lower division major preparation agreements

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You can view articulation agreements by major or by department. This is what an articulation agreement by major looks like. It will include major selection criteria at the top. Notice there are **required courses** and **additional major** prep, sometimes also referred to as **recommended courses**.



You can see the actual articulation here. In the previous slide, we saw the top of the agreement list that UC Santa Cruz courses were on the left and Grossmont College were on the right. The first thing to note here is the indication of **required** courses, **these are required for admission**.

Without these, a student will not meet minimum eligibility for the major.

The screenshot on the right indicates additional major prep. These courses are **recommended**, as they may help a student be more competitive for a selective campus or major but ultimately they do not have to have all the recommended courses completed for admissions purposes.

They will, however, need these courses eventually as part of their **graduation requirements** for the major, which is why they are called additional major. We always encourage students to complete as much of their major coursework at the CCC level as possible to help them keep their timeline to graduation shorter.



For some campuses, you may also opt to view articulation agreements by department.

Please note that the major requirements will not be included here.

It will simply provide a list of all courses in the department and the articulated courses at the CCC level.

This is helpful if you want to know what a particular course articulates to, as it may not show up in a major agreement. Important to refer to the articulation agreement, website and/or guide to learn about the required vs the recommended courses

Counselor and campus resources







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Sign up to receive UC's monthly newsletter and see past issues as well



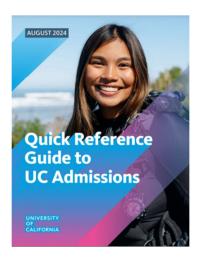
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https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/connect-to-resources/counselors-and-advisers-bulletin.html

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UC Quick Reference Guide to UC Admissions

Your go-to guide on systemwide admission requirements, policies and practices



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Quick Reference Guide 2024:

https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/_files/documents/quick-reference-guide-to-uc-admissions.pdf

Campus resources - Admissions contact

Campus	Phone	Website
Berkeley	(510) 642-3175	admissions.berkeley.edu
Davis	(530) 752-2971	ucdavis.edu/admissions
Irvine	(949) 824-6703	admissions.uci.edu
Los Angeles	(310) 825-3101	admissions.ucla.edu
Merced	(209) 228-4400	admissions.ucmerced.edu
Riverside	(951) 827-3411	admissions.ucr.edu
Santa Barbara	(805) 893-2881	admissions.sa.ucsb.edu
Santa Cruz	(831) 459-4008	admissions.ucsc.edu
San Diego	(858) 534-4831	admissions.ucsd.edu







Campus resources - Transfer major prep

Campus	Major preparation website
Berkeley	https://admissions.berkeley.edu/transfer-admissions-information-by-college
Davis	https://www.ucdavis.edu/admissions/undergraduate/transfer/selective-major-requirements/
Irvine	https://www.admissions.uci.edu/apply/transfer/requirements.php
Los Angeles	https://admission.ucla.edu/apply/transfer/deciding-on-major
Merced	https://admissions.ucmerced.edu/transfer/major-preparation-schools
Riverside	https://admissions.ucr.edu/transfer/majors-preparation-guide
Santa Barbara	https://admissions.ext-prod.sa.ucsb.edu/selective-majors
Santa Cruz	https://admissions.ucsc.edu/transfer-students#screening-major-requirements
San Diego	https://admissions.ucsd.edu/transfer/transfer-major-preparation.html

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Campus resources - Transfer prep programs

Campus	Outreach program
Berkeley	Transfer Alliance Project (TAP)
Davis	Transfer Opportunity Program (TOP)
Irvine	Summer Scholars Transfer Institute (SSTI) Transfer Leadership Collaborative (TLC)
Los Angeles	Center for Community College Partnerships (CCCP)
Merced	Transfer Initiatives Program (UC TIP)
Riverside	Transfer Success Program (TSP)
Santa Barbara	Transfer Preparation Academy
Santa Cruz	Transfer Preparation Program (TPP)
San Diego	Triton Summer Transfer Academy







There is a separate session during ETS on Transfer Prep (happening at the same time as TR Admission 101) -- if they can't make it, they will have access to the recording of the virtual session.

- All UC campuses offer various outreach programs to support transfer students throughout their transfer journeys to a specific UC campus. These programs include yearlong and summer residential opportunities
- Some programs offer priority application review or guaranteed admission for eligible participants
- Many programs offer workshops covering information such as financial aid, campus specific admission requirements, TAG/TAP requirements, major prep information, and much more.
- Many residential programs are at no cost to students
- Many of these programs partner with local CCC's from the area
- Other benefits include: campus life immersion events, peer mentoring, campus scholarship opportunities

Questions?

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Thank you!





