

Start your engines! UC transfer GPS: Navigating with TAP and TAG



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Overview



Benefits of UC TAP accounts for students and counselors



How to create a UC TAP account



TAG matrix and requirements



FAQs



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TAP and TAG

UC Transfer Admission Planner (UC TAP)

UC TAP is a free online tool that can be used to help prospective UC transfer students track and plan their coursework.

UC TAP is designed for students who are transferring directly from a California Community College.



UC Transfer Admission Guarantee (UC TAG)

UC TAG is a guaranteed admission program.

Students will use the UC Transfer Admission Planner (UC TAP) to submit a TAG application to one of the six participating UC campuses.

Benefits of using UC TAP for students and counselors



Students:
Notifications of
events

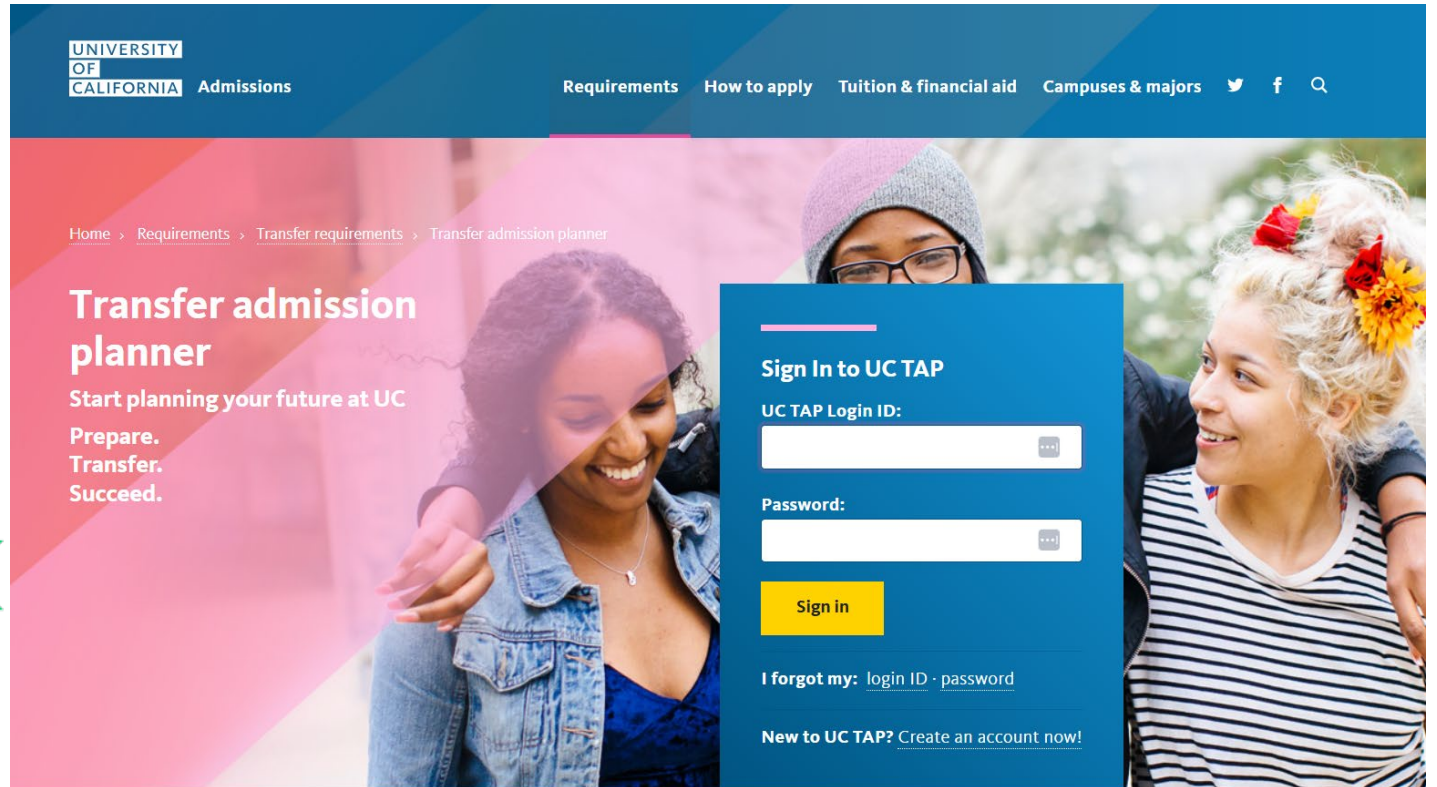
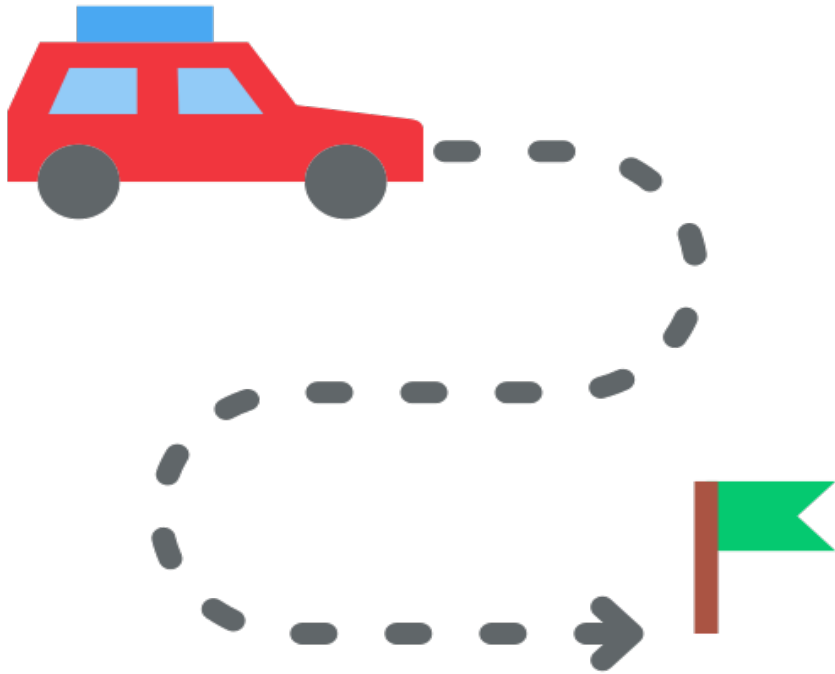
Students:
Importing
Academic
History

**Students &
Counselors:**
Records
coursework
taken across
multiple CCCs

**Students &
Counselors:**
Simplifies and
enhances
guidance

Counselors:
Data reports

How students can access their UC TAP account



UC TAP: Student view

Welcome to UC TAP, Yesenia

Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) Status

Term:	UC Campus:	Status:
Fall 2026	Davis	Started - Not Submitted

Sacramento City College Student News

September is UCTAG Season! Submit by 11:59pm September 30, 2023 for Fall 2024 transfers!!

There are six UC campuses that offer the TAG (Transfer Admission Guarantee) for California community college students: Davis, Irvine, Merced, Riverside, Santa Barbara, and Santa Cruz. (TAGs are not offered for Los Angeles, Berkeley, and San Diego.)

Yesenia's Transfer Admission Planner

About me

- [Personal information](#)
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My academic history

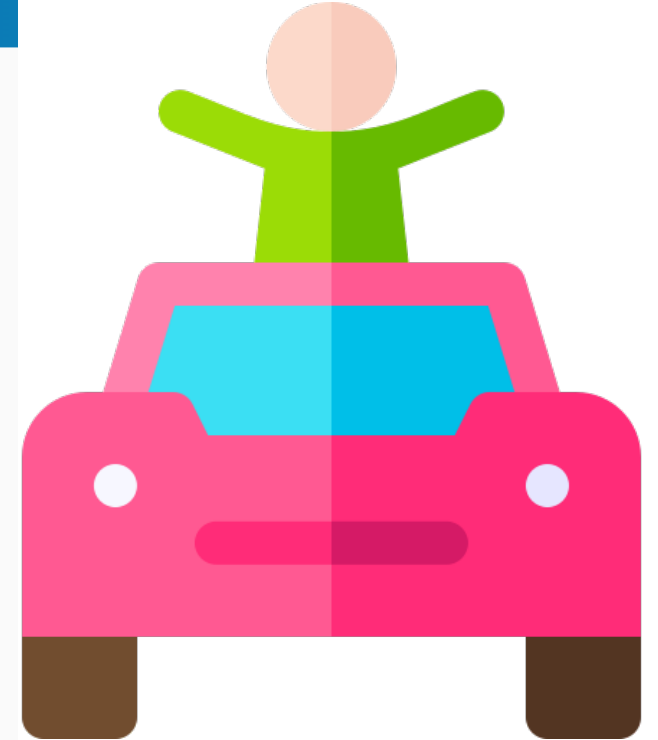
- [Schools attended](#)
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My transfer plan

- [Where and when I plan to transfer](#)
- [Apply for a Transfer Admission Guarantee \(TAG\)](#)
- [Apply for transfer admission](#)

Messages

Record Review



UC TAP student account: Colleges/universities



Students are **required** to list all the institutions they have attended.



If they attended a non-CCC, they must add those details manually.

Colleges/Universities: - [add a school](#)

Add a school

Is this a California Community College, CSU, or UC campus?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Select the school from the following list:

AMERICAN RIVER COLLEGE

Cancel

AMERICAN RIVER COLLEGE

Dates of attendance for this school:

Start:

Month

Year

End:

Month

Year

Is this your current or most recent school? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you are currently attending more than one school, select the one you consider to be your primary school.

What type of school is this?

CCC or CA 2-Year College

Does this school run on the semester or quarter system? ☒ Semester ☐ Quarter

Did you, or will you, earn a degree from this school? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Save

Cancel

UC TAP student account: Coursework



Students are **required** to add all college and university courses.



Students must include all in-progress and/or projected coursework.

Add course

Select term:

Fall

of:

2024

Select school attended for this term:

SACRAMENTO CITY COLLEGE

If your institution is not in the list, add it in the [Schools attended](#) page.

Type any portion of the course subject, number or title and click search:

ENGWR

Search

Cancel

Select Courses:

Below are courses from this school that are UC approved on the [ASSIST](#) website. Click a course to add it to your coursework. If you do not see your course listed below, use the link at the bottom of the list to add your course manually.

Course	Units	Cert ¹	UC Area ²
ENGWR 300 - College Composition	3	Y	E
ENGWR 301 - College Composition and Literature	3	Y	H, E
ENGWR 302 - Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking	3	Y	E
ENGWR 303 - Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking Through Literature	4	Y	E
ENGWR 384 - Mass Media and Society	3	Y	B
ENGWR 482 - Honors Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking	3	Y	E
ENGWR 488 - Honors College Composition and Research	4	Y	E

Adding coursework

UC approved on [Assist.org](https://assist.org)

Select school attended for this term:

SACRAMENTO CITY COLLEGE

If your institution is not in the list, add it in the [Schools attended](#) page.

Type any portion of the course subject, number or title and click search:

ENGWR

Search **Cancel**

**Adding: ENGWR 300 - College Composition
at SACRAMENTO CITY COLLEGE in fall 2024**

This course is: ☐ In Progress ☐ Planned

or completed with: B Units: 3.00

Add **Cancel**



Not on [Assist.org](https://assist.org) (Ex: ADMJ 305)

Select school attended for this term:

SACRAMENTO CITY COLLEGE

If your institution is not in the list, add it in the [Schools attended](#) page.

Type any portion of the course subject, number or title and click search:

ADMJ

Search **Cancel**

Adding course at SACRAMENTO CITY COLLEGE in fall 2024

Enter course information exactly as it appears on your transcript or course catalog.

SUBJ: (e.g. GEOL) CRS#: (e.g. 101)

Title:

This course is: ☐ In Progress ☐ Planned

or completed with: Select Units:

Add **Cancel**

Adding exams



Add an exam

Add exam

Type any portion of the exam type or title and click search:

Search

Cancel

Alternatively, you can [view all exams](#) possible to add.

Clicking “view all exams” will provide a drop down of all exams available to input

UC TAP for counselors



UC TAP for counselors: Login



Create/login to access UC TAP account for counselors.




IT support available if you face any technical issues.



Counselors must have a unique login for *each college they represent*, even within a single district.



Only authorized counselors will be granted access to UC TAP, as all information collected in the planning tool is considered confidential.



The image shows a screenshot of the UC TAP login page for returning counselors. The page has a blue background. At the top, there is a pink horizontal line. Below it, the text "Returning Counselors" is displayed in white. Underneath, the label "UC TAP Login ID:" is followed by a white input field. Below that, the label "Password:" is followed by another white input field. A yellow "Sign in" button is positioned below the password field. At the bottom, there are two links: "I forgot my: login ID · password" and "New to UC TAP? Create an account now!". A yellow arrow points from the right edge of the slide towards the "New to UC TAP?" link.

Returning Counselors

UC TAP Login ID:

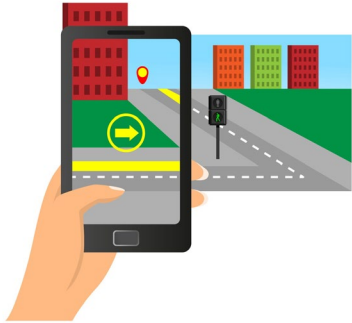
Password:




Sign in

I forgot my: login ID · password

New to UC TAP? Create an account now!

UC TAP for counselors: Getting started



-  You will receive an email stating your account is created.
-  Wait for approval sent to your email.
-  Login and begin!

Your **account** on the UC TAP system has been approved for access by Phillip Kincade.

You must now log into the site via this URL, <http://uctap.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/index.cfm?aid=BD839144-C9B8-4879-6E07907C4B423184>, using the login id and password you created to fully activate your **account**.

Regards,
UC TAP Administration

UC TAP for counselors: Home page view

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Welcome to UC TAP,

10/29/24

Messaging to students with submitted fall 2025 TAGs will occur according to the following schedule:

- November 8 - UC Irvine (*releases next steps in the TAG process*)
- November 8 - UC Santa Barbara (*releases next steps in the TAG process*)
- November 13 - UC Davis (*releases TAG decisions*)
- November 15 - UC Merced (*releases TAG decisions*)
- November 15 - UC Riverside (*releases TAG decisions*)
- November 15 - UC Santa Cruz (*releases TAG decisions*)

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TAG Information

- The most recent TAG Matrix can be found [here](#)

My Campus Colleagues - [View](#)

UC Campus TAG Contact Information - [View](#)

UC Counselor News

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Upcoming TAG Filing Opportunities

Fall 2026: filing period Sep 1-30, 2025

- Davis
- Irvine
- Merced
- Riverside
- Santa Barbara
- Santa Cruz

Spring 2027: filing period May 1-31, 2026

- Merced

UC TAP for counselors: “My information”



Counselors can change their password at any time.



Click on "Account Information" and a pop-up will appear to reset/edit your information.



The listed "Community College" cannot be changed.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA Admissions Home **My Information** Student Search Reports Sign out TRANSFER ADMISSION PLANNER

Personal Information

- * Required Fields

If you would like to update your UC TAP LoginID, password, or security question/answer, you can do so on your [Account Information](#) page.

Full Name: * First: Middle: Last:

E-Mail Address: *

Birthdate: * - Month - - Day - - Year -

Contact Number: * - Ext.

Your contact number is collected in the event system staff need to contact you about a problem.
This number will not be publicized on this site.

Community College: Clovis Community College

Save

UC TAP for counselors: Student search



Search for your students associated with your college.

Student Search

(students with your college as "primary" OR coursework taken at your college)

Term: Last Name: First Name: CC Student ID:

Any [input] [input] [input] Search Reset




1 student(s) found. Test accounts displayed in red. Click the '*' to convert to test account.

	Name (Primary CC)	DOB	Email	UC(s) of Interest	TAG(s) <small>(hover to see status description)</small>	
*	[input]	[input]	[input]@gmail.com	2026F - SB	2026F - SB - STP	View



Access the student's profile (pop-up window).

UC TAP for counselors: Student profile

-  View the student's TAG application status (if applicable), GPA and units.
-  GPA and units are based on Evaluated-Transferable courses, Self Reported-Certified (Assist/UC) courses and Self Reported-All Courses.
-  Navigate to six unique tabs from this page:

TAG Application Status - Mustang, Aggie

No TAGs currently require review.

GPA & Units - based on ☒ **Evaluated-Transferable** ☐ Self Reported-Certified(ASSIST/UC) ☐ Self Reported-All **data**

	GPA:(Grd Pts/Units)	Complete Units:	IP/PL Units:	Total Units:
Overall Total:	3.56 (267.0/75.0)	50.00 sem/75.00 qtr	9.00 sem/13.50 qtr	59.00 sem/88.50 qtr

student information **summary** **communications(0)** **comments(0)** **print version** **close**

UC TAP for counselors: Student coursework



Fall Term 2024

SANTA BARBARA CITY COLLEGE

Course

ENG 110 Composition and Reading

Units Grade Cert¹ Limit⁵ Last Updated
4 A+ Y Y 4/30/25

UC Area² Transferability - [view key](#) MP
E Undetermined ☐

FS 101 Introduction to Film Studies

3 A+ Y 4/30/25

H Transferable(Y) ☐

PD 110 Career Planning and Decision Making

3 A+ Y Y 4/30/25

set Undetermined ☐

PSY 100 General Psychology

3 B Y Y 4/30/25

B Undetermined ☐

Save

Spring Term 2025

SANTA BARBARA CITY COLLEGE

Course

CHEM 101 Introductory Chemistry

Units Grade Cert¹ Limit⁵ Last Updated
4 IP Y Y 4/30/25

UC Area² Transferability - [view key](#) MP
S Undetermined ☐

Current Display Mode: ☐ Read Only ☒ Evaluatable**

any course and/or exam evaluation decisions below are *preliminary* and do not necessarily reflect those of the UC campus to which this TAG application may be, or has been submitted. **



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UC TAP and TAG reports: Status & outcomes

TAP Reports

- [Student Counts by UC Campus of Interest](#)
- [Student Counts by UC College & Major](#)
- [Student List by UC Campus](#)
- [Student Export](#)

UC Dual Admission Reports

- [Student List](#)

TAG Reports

Status Reports

- [Counts by UC campus](#)
- [Counts by UC College & Major](#)
- [Counts by Ethnicity](#)
- [Student List by UC Campus, Status](#)
- [Counts Claimed by Counselor](#)
- [Counts by UC Campus - Year on Year](#)

Outcome Reports

- [TAG App Counts by UC campus](#)
- [TAG App Counts by UC College & Major](#)

* Have other reporting needs or ideas? Send them to us via feedback [here](#).



UC TAP: Student export

You can identify students who have created a UC TAP at your school by using the TAP Student Export report

Print Excel

TAP Student Export

Term:(?)

2026F

Submit

Reset

179 student(s)

For data security, student accounts with no UC TAP activity after four years have had their Personal Identifiable Information (PII)(name, email, address) removed. These student accounts will be included in aggregated counts, but not displayed in student lists.

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI	EMAIL	CC SID	TRANSFER TERM	TAG SUB CAMPUS	INT BK	INT DV	INT IR	INT LA	INT MC	INT RV	INT SB	INT SC	INT SD
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		M	@gmail.com		2026F			Y							
			@gmail.com		2026F		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			Y
		C	@gmail.com		2026F								Y		

Requesting a report

The screenshot displays the UC Transfer Admission Planner (TAP) website. The top navigation bar includes the University of California logo, 'Admissions', 'Home', and 'My Information' links. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'TAP Reports' and 'UC Dual Admission Reports'. The 'TAP Reports' section lists four links: 'Student Counts by UC Campus of Interest', 'Student Counts by UC College & Major', 'Student List by UC Campus', and 'Student Export'. The 'UC Dual Admission Reports' section lists one link: 'Student List'. On the right side, a browser window is open to the 'We Want Your Feedback!' page. This page has a title 'We Want Your Feedback!' and a subtitle 'Have an idea for an addition or improvement to the site? Share it with us below.' It includes a 'Category:' section with three radio button options: 'I wish it did', 'I really like', and 'Reporting' (which is selected). There is also a 'Note:' section with a text input field. To the right of the input field is a traffic cone icon. At the bottom of the feedback form are two yellow buttons: 'Send' and 'Close'. A red arrow points from a red-bordered box at the bottom of the page to the 'Send' button. The box contains the text: '* Have other reporting needs or ideas? Send them to us via feedback [here](#).'

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TAP Reports

- [Student Counts by UC Campus of Interest](#)
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UC Dual Admission Reports

- [Student List](#)


We Want Your Feedback!

Have an idea for an addition or improvement to the site? Share it with us below.

Category:

☐ I wish it did ☐ I don't like
☐ I really like ☐ Other
☒ Reporting

Note:



Send **Close**

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Transfer Admission Guarantee



TAG requirements



Complete **30 UC-transferable semester units** by TAG submission date

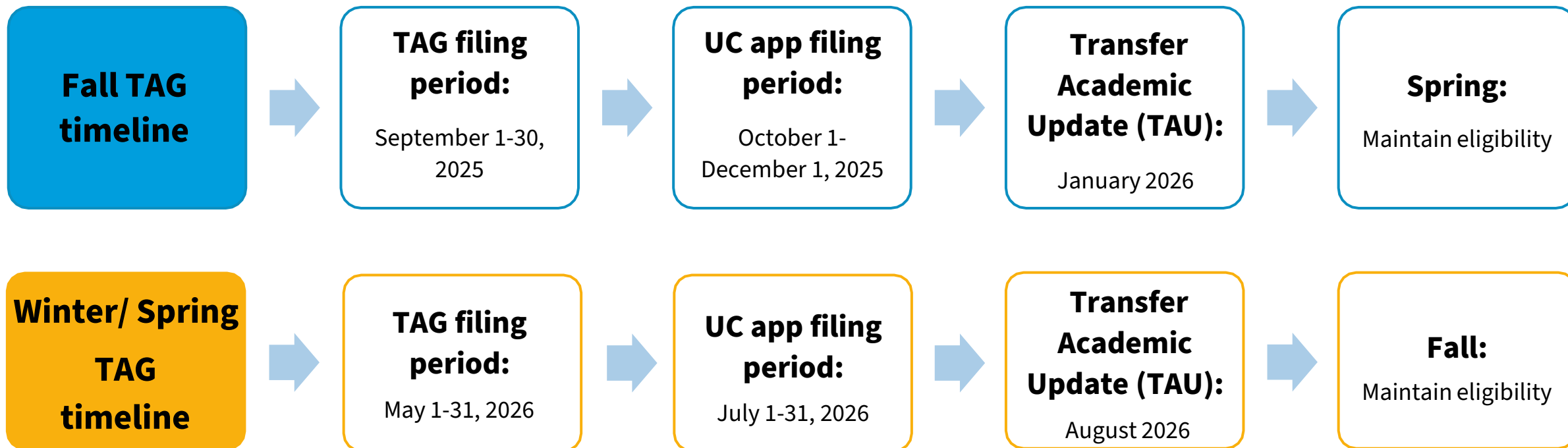
Complete **60 UC-transferable semester units** by spring prior to transfer

Complete specific **UC-E** and **UC-M** requirements

Meet GPA criteria (**2.7-3.6***, Varies by campus/major/college)

***See TAG matrix for all requirements by campus**

TAG timelines



TAG matrix



UC Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) for students applying for 2026–27 admission



Campus	Is a pre-evaluation of coursework provided as part of TAG?	For which terms is a TAG accepted? What is the TAG filing period?	Is the major guaranteed as part of TAG?	What are the excluded majors for TAG?	Contact Information
Davis	Yes, wait for TAG decision before submitting UC application.	Accepted for fall quarter only. Filing period: Sept. 1-30	Yes, provided all TAG requirements are completed. Applicants to Landscape Architecture are approved in a "pre-major" status (no guarantee to the major).	Undeclared programs, Computer Science, Data Science and Landscape Architecture (applicants are approved in pre-Landscape Architecture with no guarantee to the major).	UC Davis TAG contacts (530) 752-2971
Irvine	No	Accepted for fall quarter only. Filing period: Sept. 1-30	Yes, provided all TAG requirements are completed.	Art, Business Administration, Dance, Music, Nursing Science and ALL majors in the Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences. (The Art major requires a portfolio.)	UC Irvine TAG (949) 824-6703
Merced	Yes, wait for TAG decision before submitting UC application. Decision release dates: Fall TAG: Nov 15 th Spring TAG: July 1 st	Accepted for fall; filing period: Sept. 1-30 Accepted for spring; filing period: May 1-31	Yes, provided all TAG requirements are completed.	All majors now open for TAG. Subject to change.	UC Merced TAG (209) 228-7178 transfer@ucmerced.edu

TAG roadblocks



- Have already earned a bachelor's degree, graduate degree, and/or professional degree
- Seeking readmission to original UC campus
- Previously enrolled at a UC campus and not in good standing
- Currently enrolled in high school

On the TAG highway...

TAG requirements to keep students on track
for all campuses...



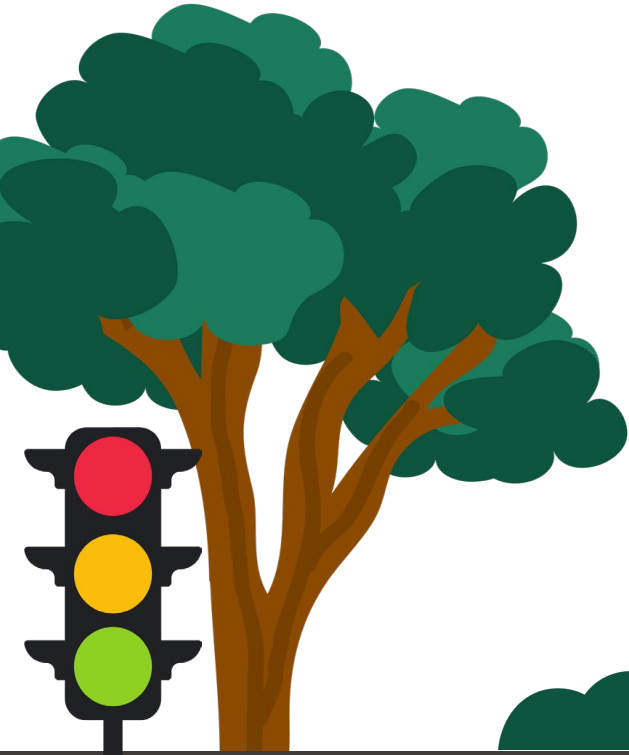
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On the TAG highway: Reminders

Students are responsible for reporting all college coursework and applicable exam scores on their TAG and UC applications.



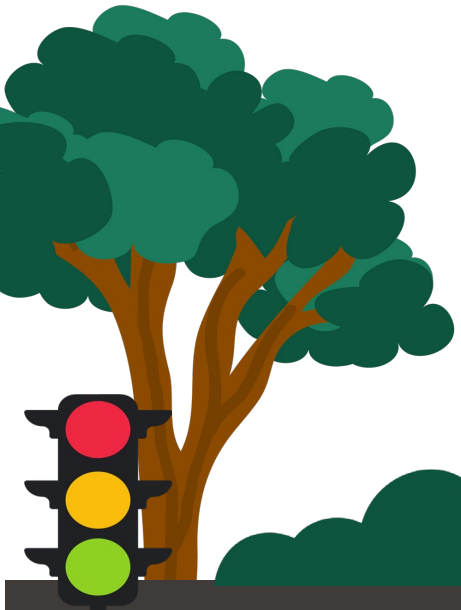
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On the TAG highway: UC-E & M

- All campuses require at least one UC-E and one UC-M by end of fall 2025.
- All remaining courses from the 7-course pattern must be completed by spring 2026.



Students planning on completing second UC-E by end of spring 2026 may proceed.



Students taking their first UC-E and/or UC-M in spring 2026 may **NOT** participate in TAG.



On the TAG highway: Spring units

- TAG applicants should require no more than 19 units during the spring term or in their last regular term prior to transfer.



Taking more than 19 units in the spring is okay.



Needing more than 19 units in the spring or last term is **NOT** okay.



On the TAG highway: High-units

- All campuses have agreed to the same high-unit junior limit for TAG purposes.



Credit-bearing exams and lower-division units are not counted towards unit limit.



Upper-division and UC units are counted towards unit limit.



On the TAG highway: GPA

- All campuses require a 2.0 GPA in all UC-transferable coursework in the current academic fall-winter-spring terms with no grade lower than a “C” in any of those terms.



Students who earn W, EW or NP grades in academic year in fall 2025; their GPA is okay.



Student earned two "F" grades during fall 2025 and their term GPA dropped to 1.9; their GPA NOT okay.



Campus pit stops: TAG reminders



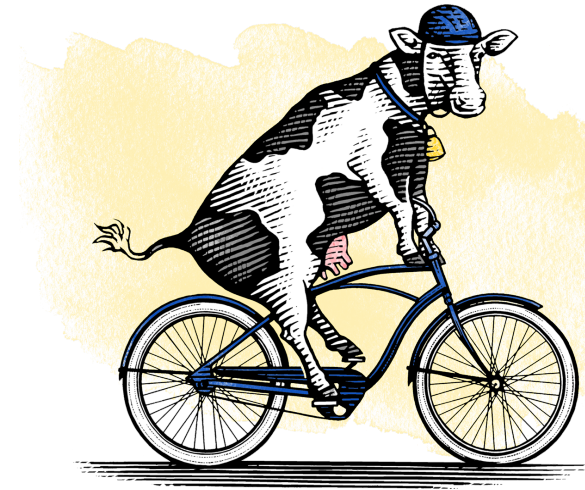
UCDAVIS (Smooth ride)

Updates:

- **NEW!** Statistics major now open for TAG
- **NEW** Selective majors starting Fall 2027:
 - Animal Biology
 - Animal Science
 - Wildlife and Conservation Biology
 - Business (**Not** open for TAG)

Reminders:

- All majors **except** Computer Science and Data Science are open to TAG



UC Irvine (Performance tested)

Major name changes

- B.S. in Exercise Science has been renamed to B.S. in Physiology and Exercise Science
- B.S. in Earth System Science has been renamed to B.S. in Environmental and Earth System Science
- B.A. in Psychological Science has been renamed to B.A. in Psychology

Excluded majors for TAG

- Art, Business Administration, Dance, Music, Nursing Science, and all majors in the Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences



UCMERCED (High speed)

- All majors are now open for TAG!
- Accepting TAG applications for fall and spring!
- Public Health major requires a minimum 3.0 GPA (by end of summer 2025) and completion of IGETC.
- Required TAG GPA varies depending on chosen major (2.8- 3.0)
- Review the major selection requirements and TAG criteria for chosen major.



UC RIVERSIDE (Cruise control)

- Pre-evaluation for TAG applicants for fall 2026 cycle
- All majors are available for fall 2026 TAG, with the exception of Art Studio
- Students will need a minimum 3.0 GPA for Data Science
- Students will need a minimum 2.8 GPA for all majors in School of Business, including Actuarial Science and Business Analytics
- GPA requirement must be met by end of summer 2025



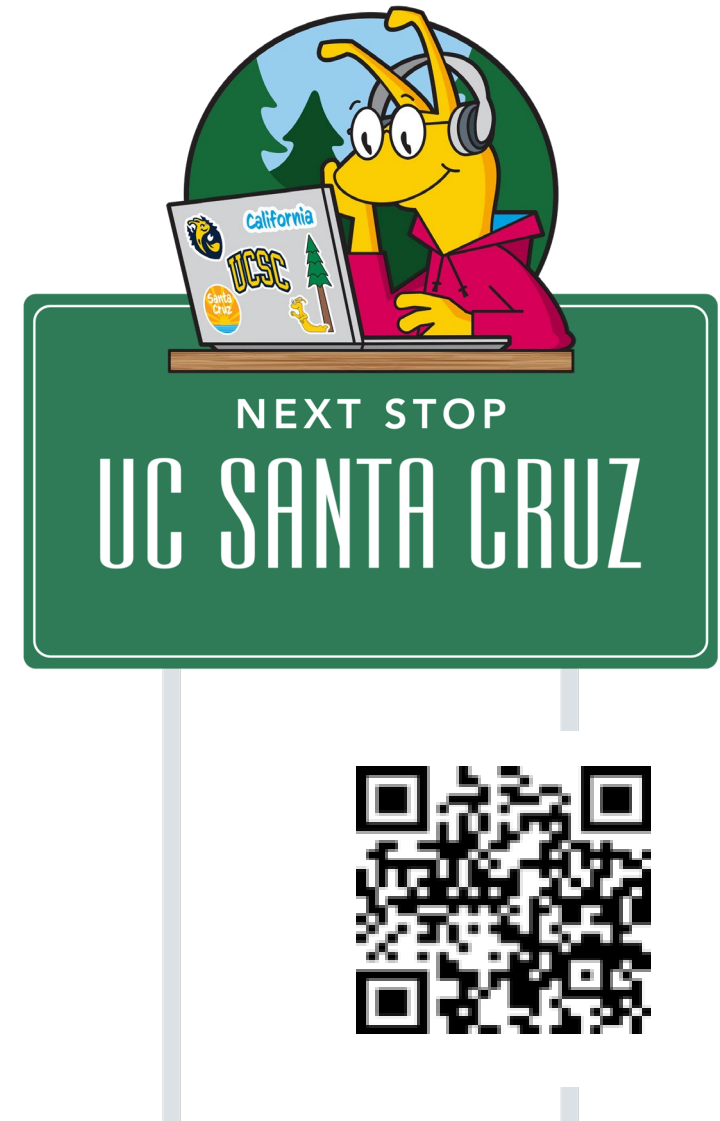
UC **SANTA BARBARA** (Coastal drive)

- Students must earn a minimum 3.4 GPA in all UC transferable courses by end of fall 2025
- Students applying to selective majors must meet additional selection requirements.
 - Selective majors at UCSB include Biological Sciences, Chemistry/Biochemistry, Economics, Mathematics, and Physics
- TAG not available for College of Creative Studies, College of Engineering, Dance B.F.A., Music B.M., Theatre B.F.A.



UC SANTA CRUZ (The scenic route)

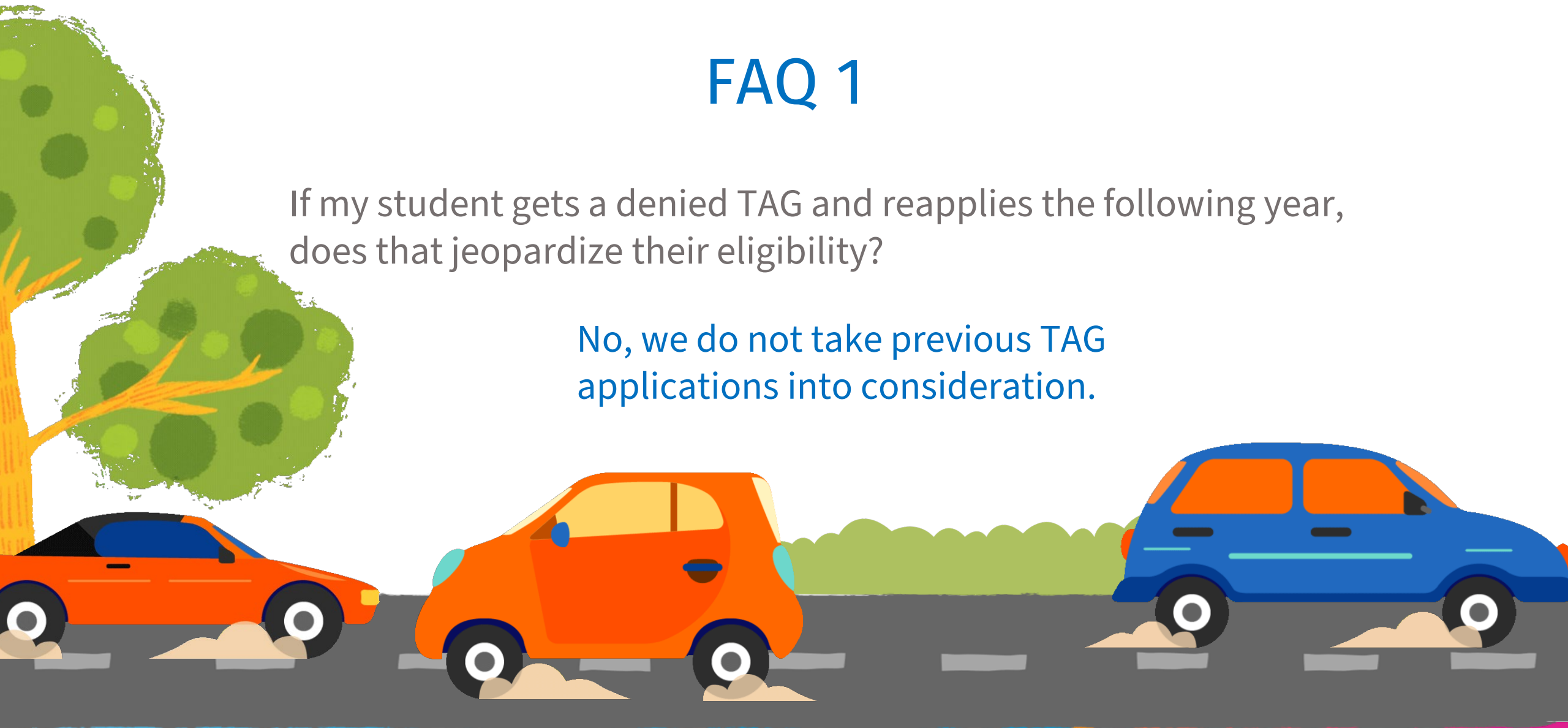
- Pre-evaluation for TAG applicants for the fall 2026 cycle.
- At the time of TAG submission, must have overall UC GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- TAG is **not** available for Computer Science major.
- For selective majors, major preparation coursework and major selection criteria must be completed by the end of the spring 2026 term.



FAQ 1

If my student gets a denied TAG and reapplies the following year, does that jeopardize their eligibility?

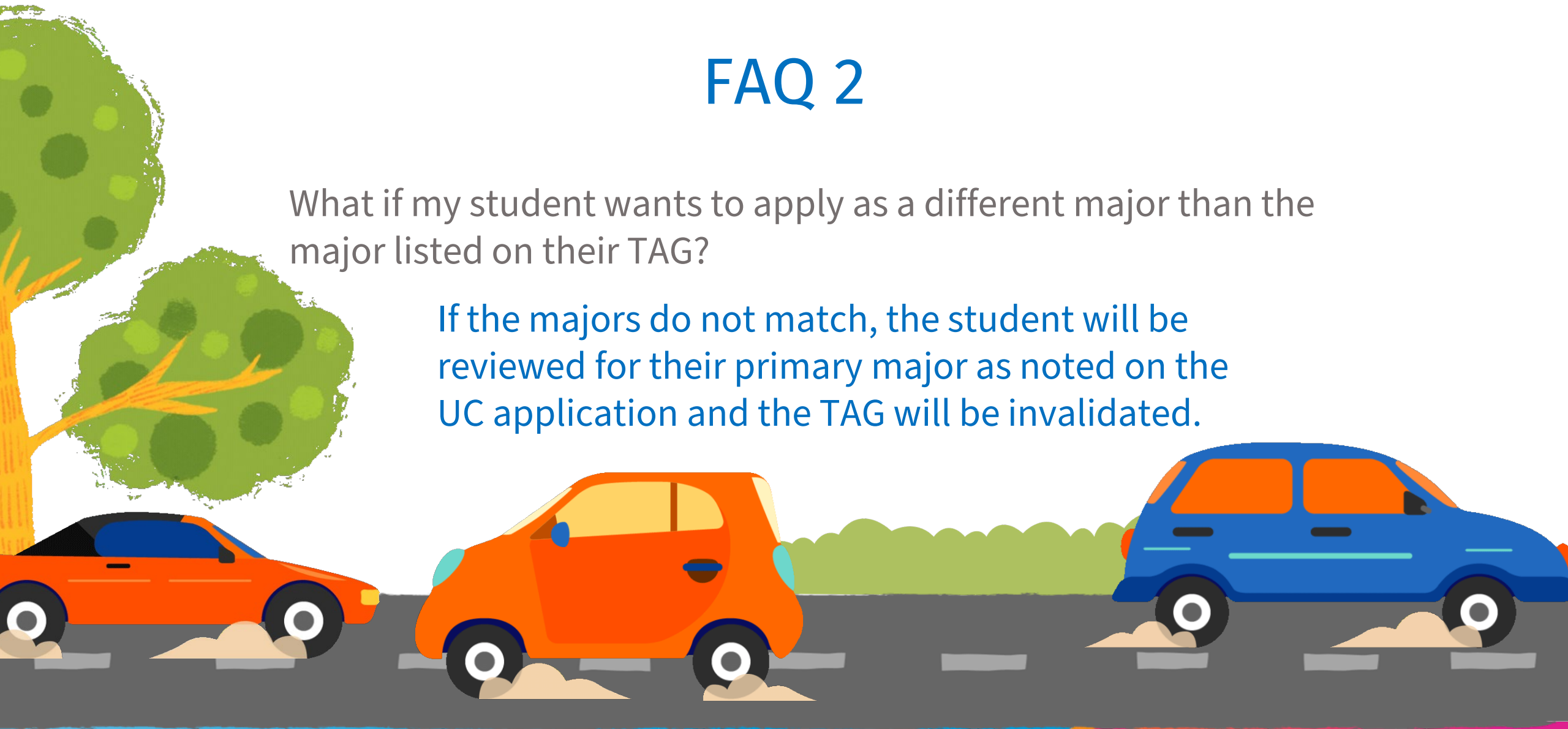
No, we do not take previous TAG applications into consideration.



FAQ 2

What if my student wants to apply as a different major than the major listed on their TAG?

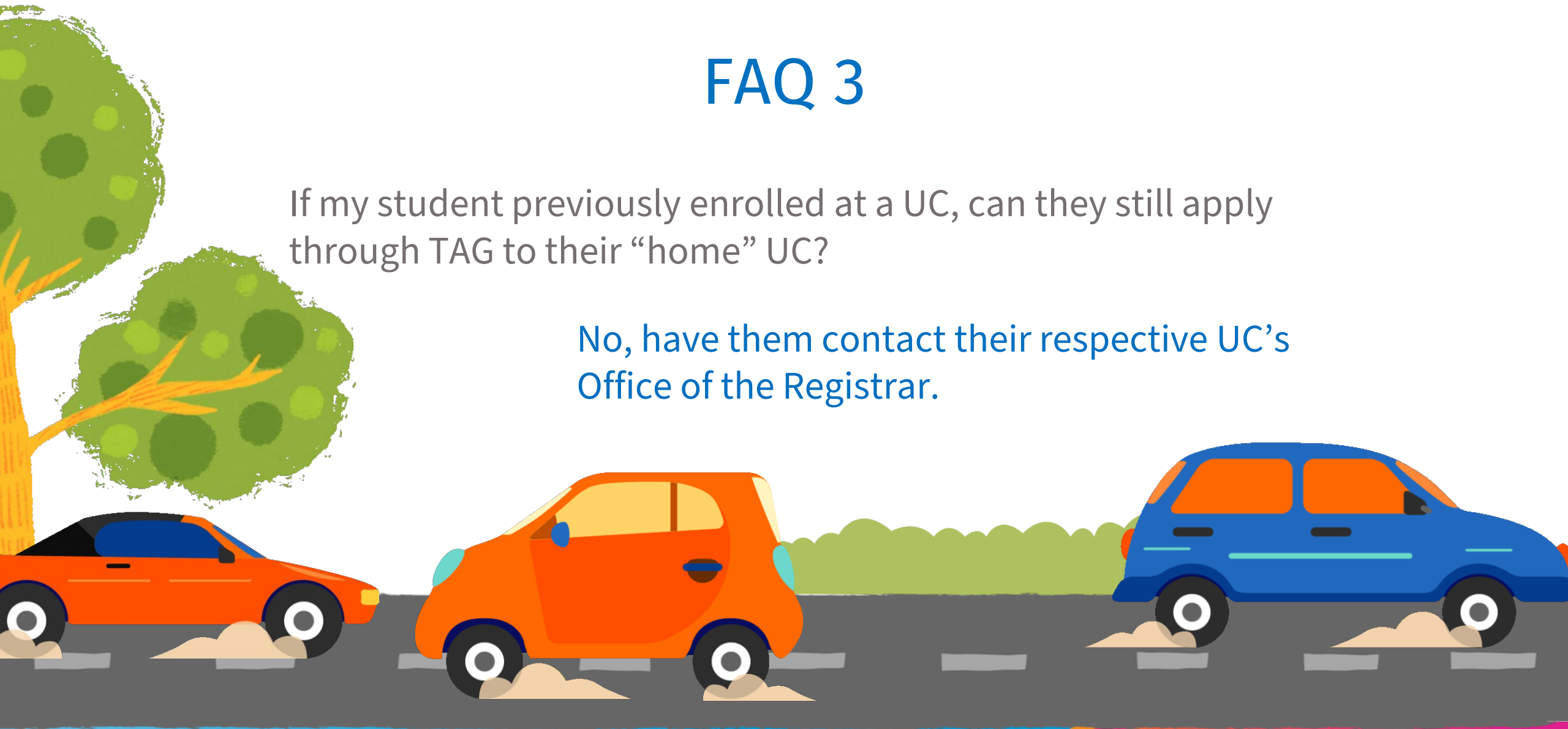
If the majors do not match, the student will be reviewed for their primary major as noted on the UC application and the TAG will be invalidated.



FAQ 3

If my student previously enrolled at a UC, can they still apply through TAG to their “home” UC?

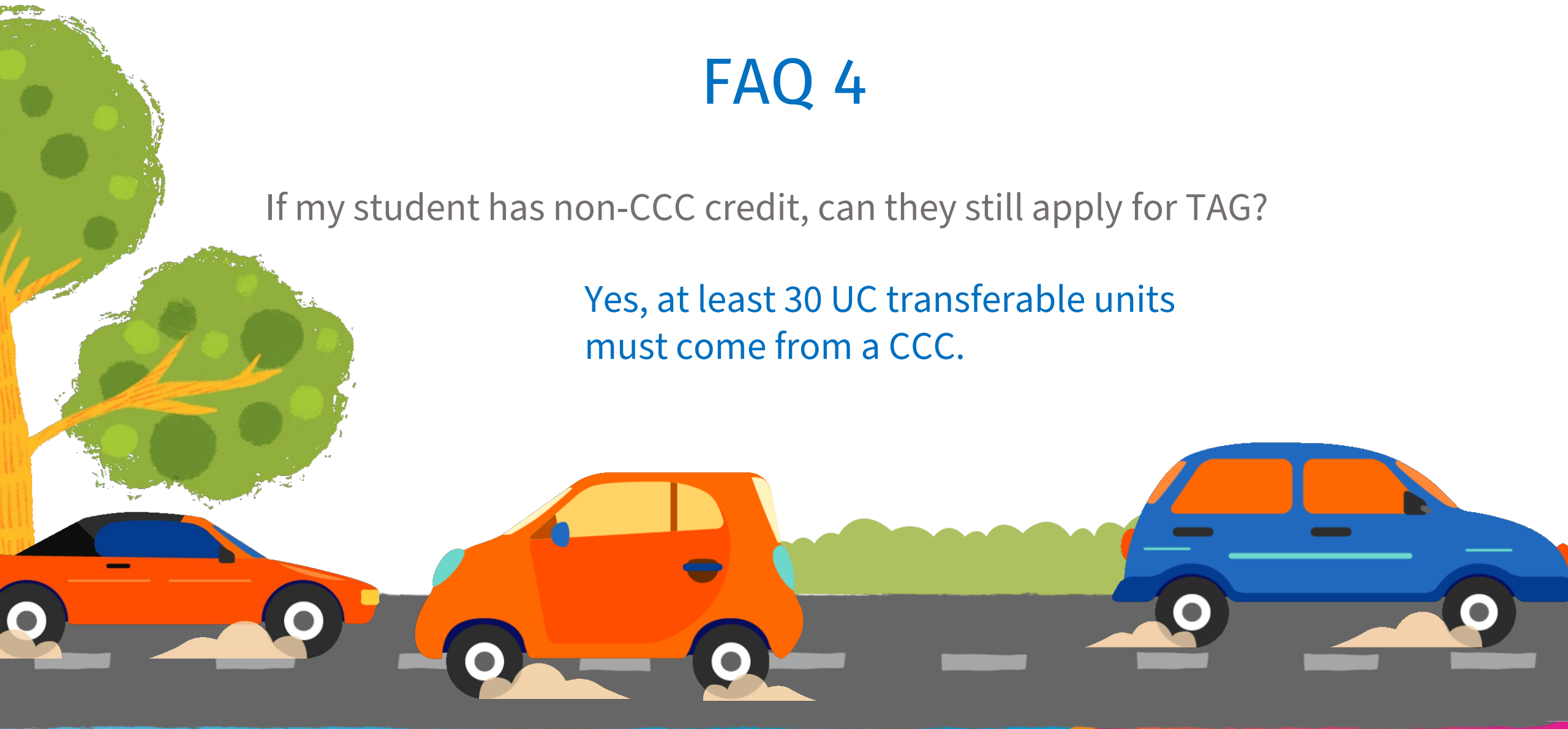
No, have them contact their respective UC’s Office of the Registrar.



FAQ 4

If my student has non-CCC credit, can they still apply for TAG?

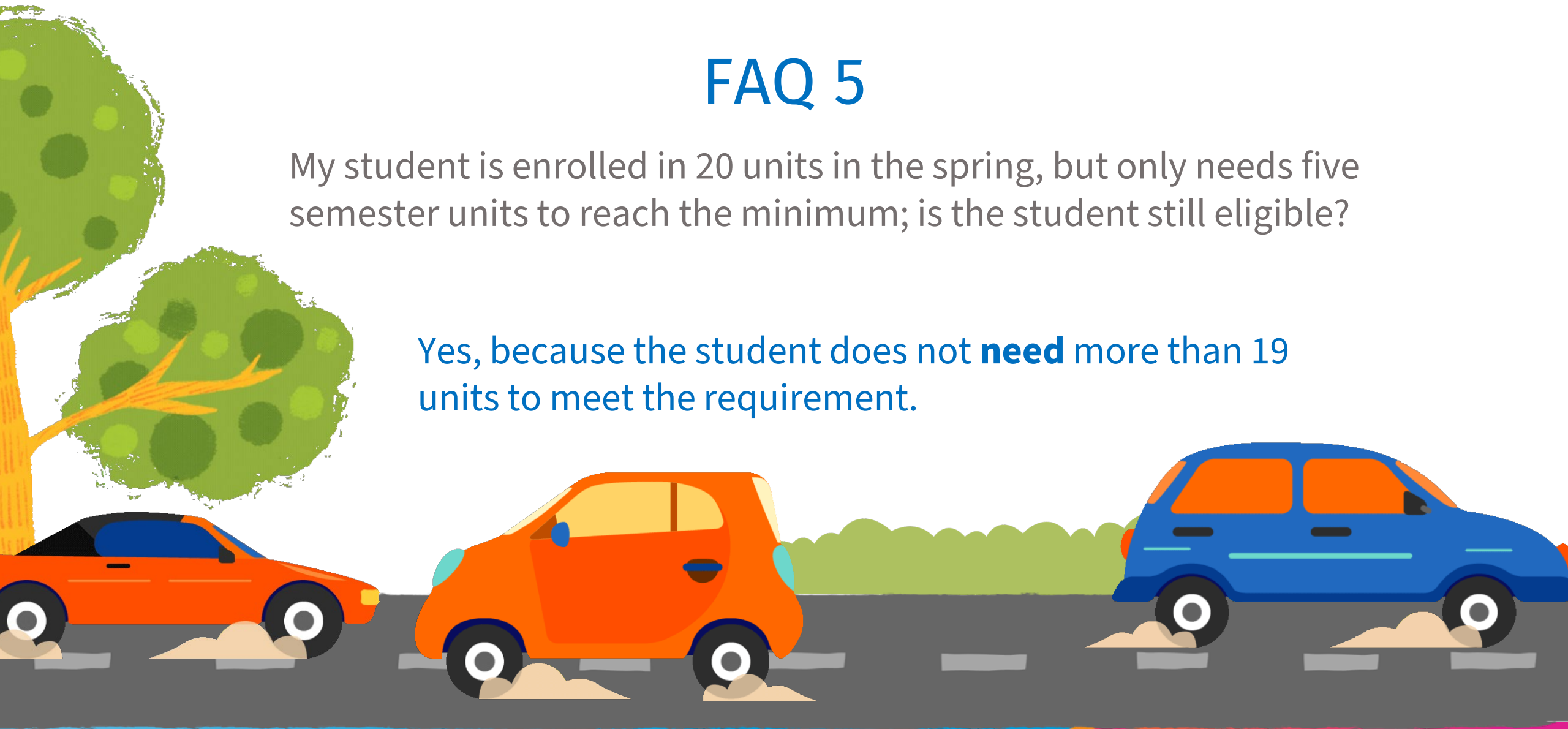
Yes, at least 30 UC transferable units must come from a CCC.



FAQ 5

My student is enrolled in 20 units in the spring, but only needs five semester units to reach the minimum; is the student still eligible?

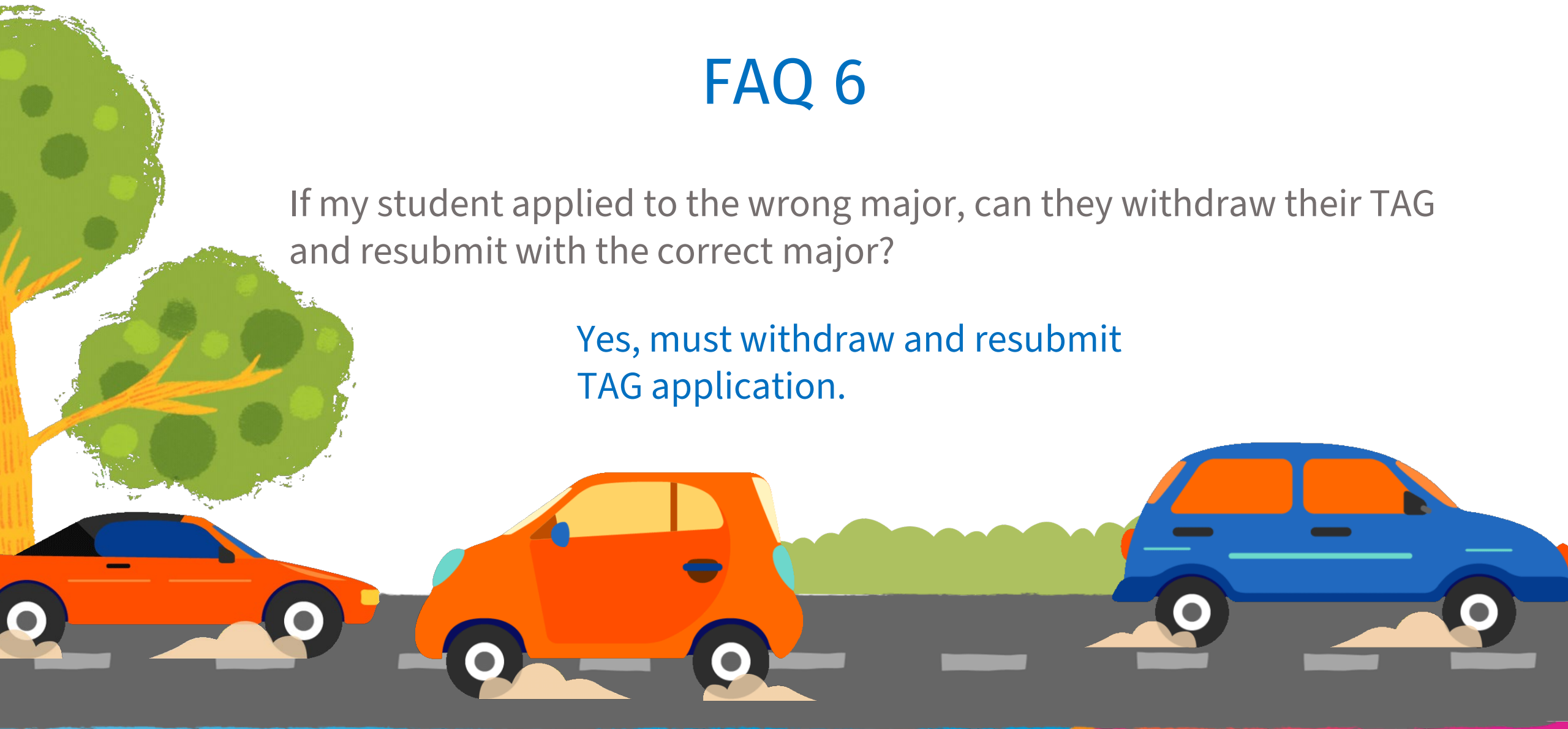
Yes, because the student does not **need** more than 19 units to meet the requirement.



FAQ 6

If my student applied to the wrong major, can they withdraw their TAG and resubmit with the correct major?

Yes, must withdraw and resubmit TAG application.



Resources

[UC admissions website](#)

[UC TAP for Students](#)

[UC TAP for Counselors](#)

[2026-2027 UC TAG Matrix](#)



Thank you

