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Admission 101 for counselors

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Agenda

- Defining a transfer student
- Selection
- Evaluation basics
- Transfer student resources and programs
- Navigating Assist
- Counselor and campus resources

Defining a transfer student

Who is a transfer applicant?

A transfer applicant is a student who has:

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

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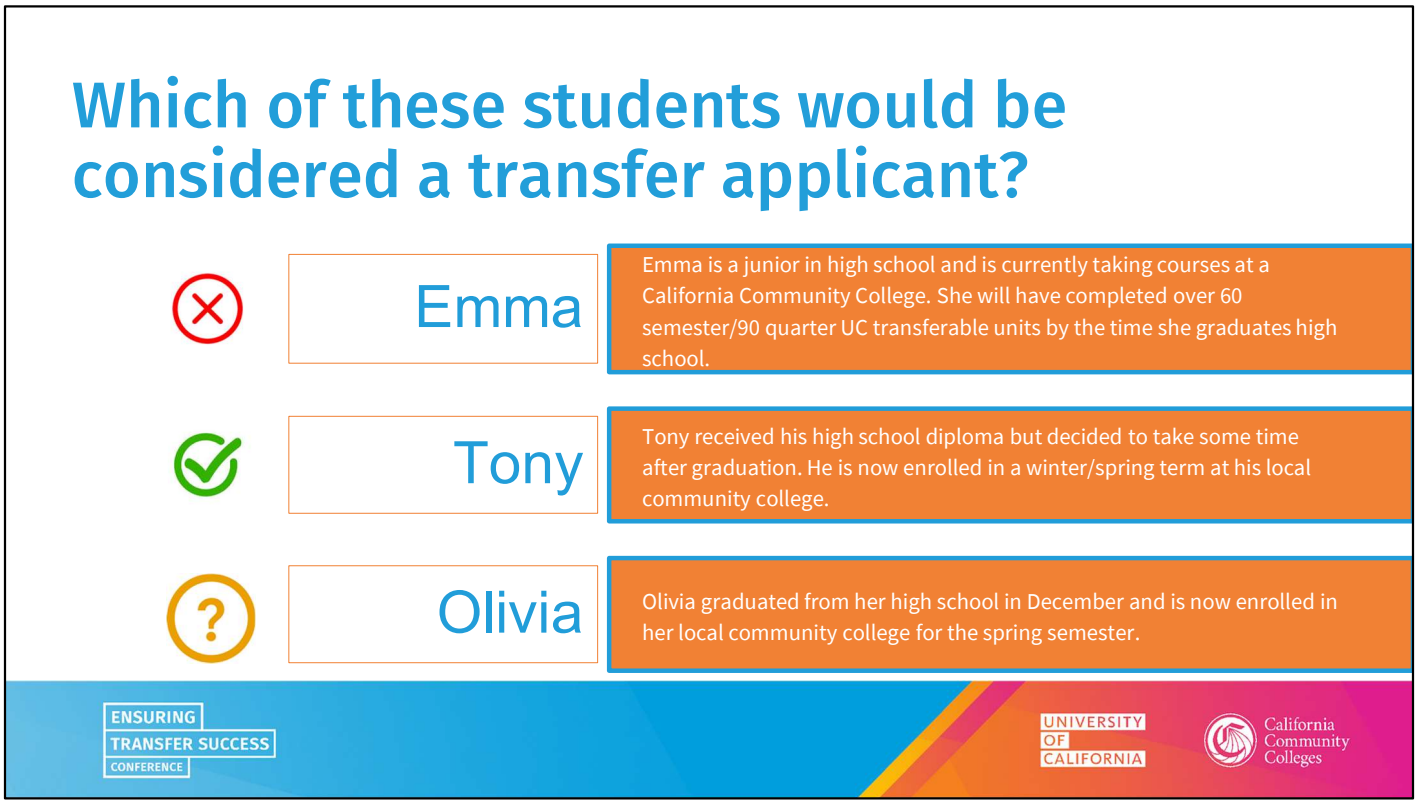
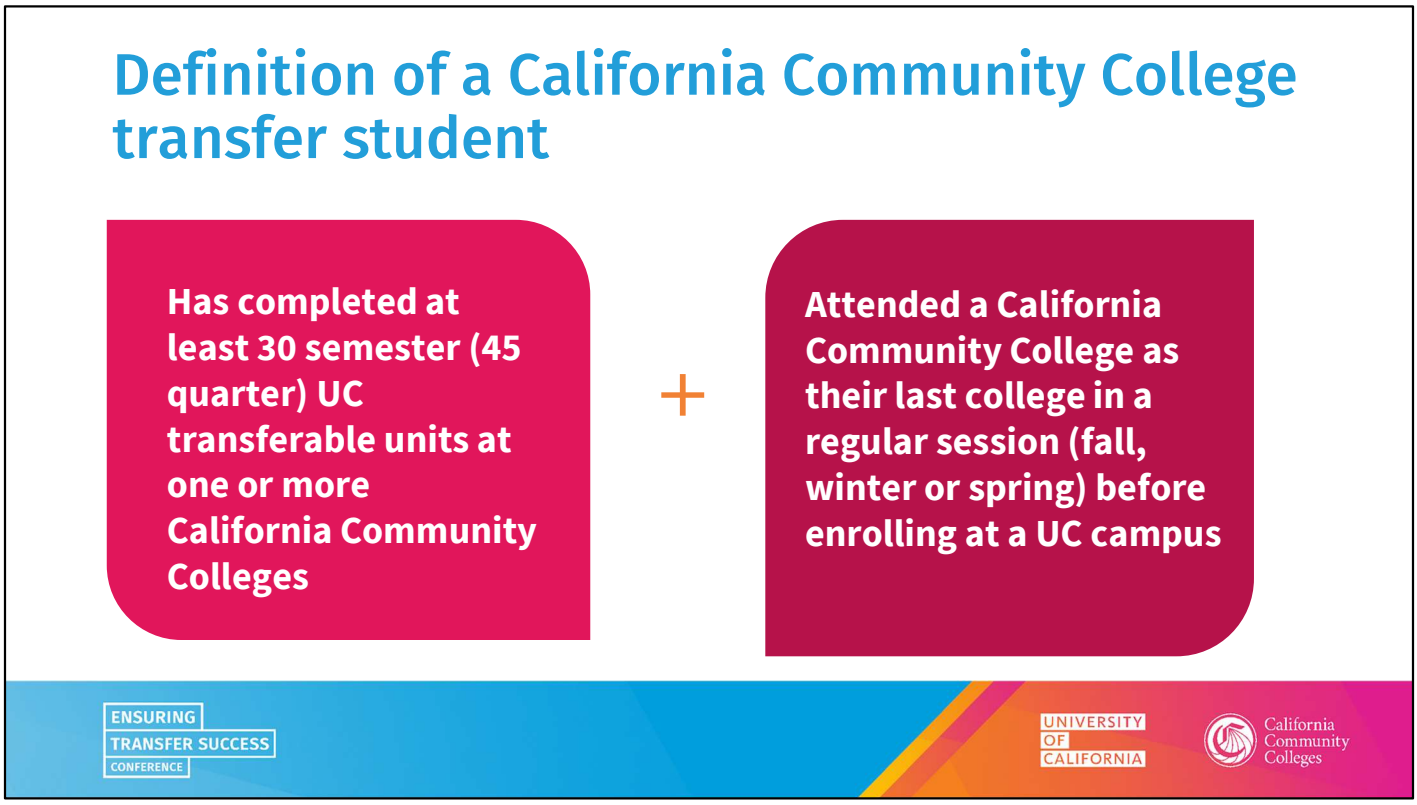
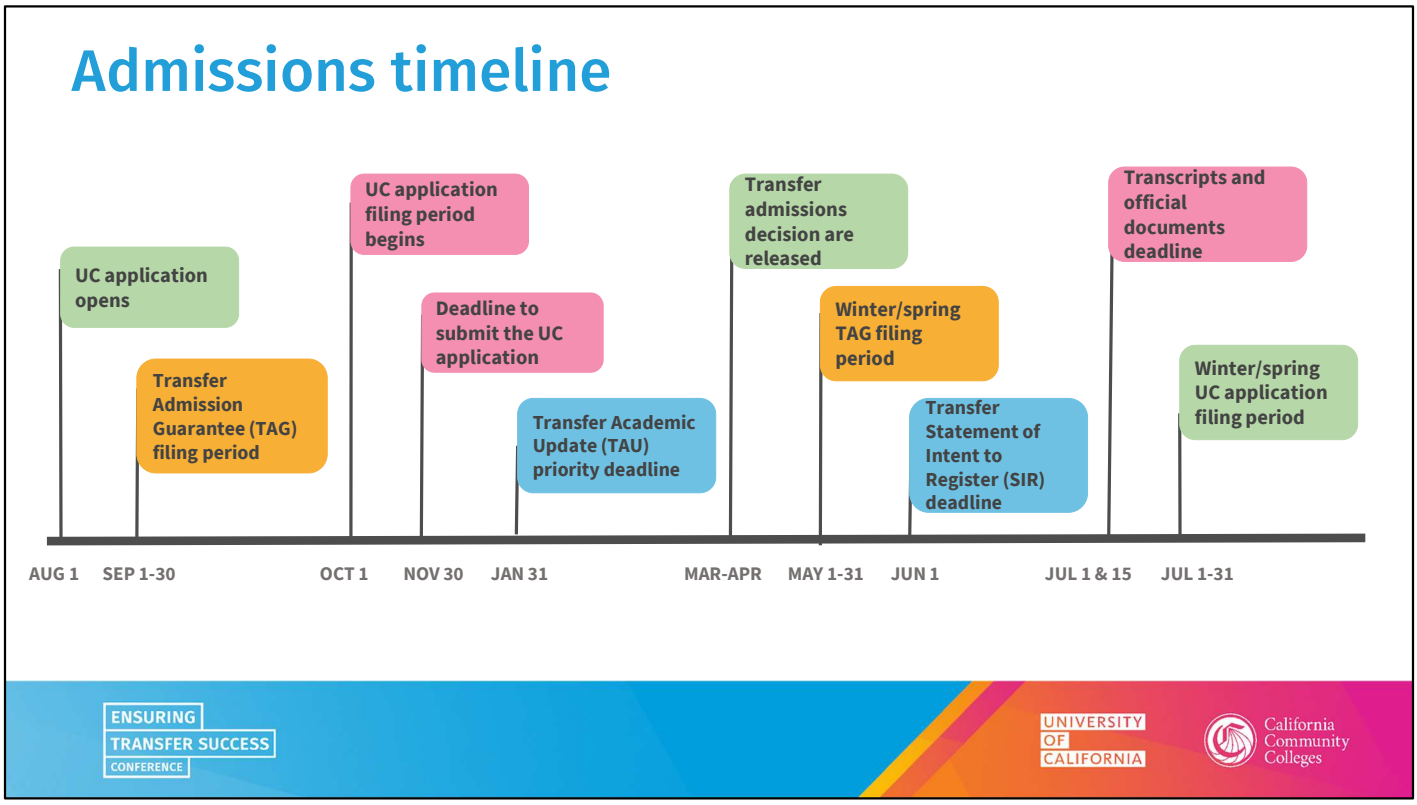
- A regular term is defined as Fall, Winter (for quarter institutions), or Spring for a college or university.
- Students who participated in dual enrollment while in high school and have not yet graduated from high school are not considered transfer students.



- Emma: Is not a transfer applicant because she is still in high school and has not yet graduated.
- Tony: Is a transfer applicant because he is enrolled at a community college during a regular term after high school graduation.
- Olivia:
    - Considerations: Unless Olivia had previously completed enough units through dual enrollment, she would not be eligible for transfer admission.
    - The campuses have made an exception to this definition for high school students who graduate mid-year. These students are permitted to enroll in college coursework in the spring term and retain their first-year application status. This exception only applies to students who intend to enroll at UC the following fall. In this case, as long as the student is planning to enroll in fall 2026, they are able to take college coursework in spring 2026 and still be considered as a first-year applicant. They won't be held to transfer admission requirements.

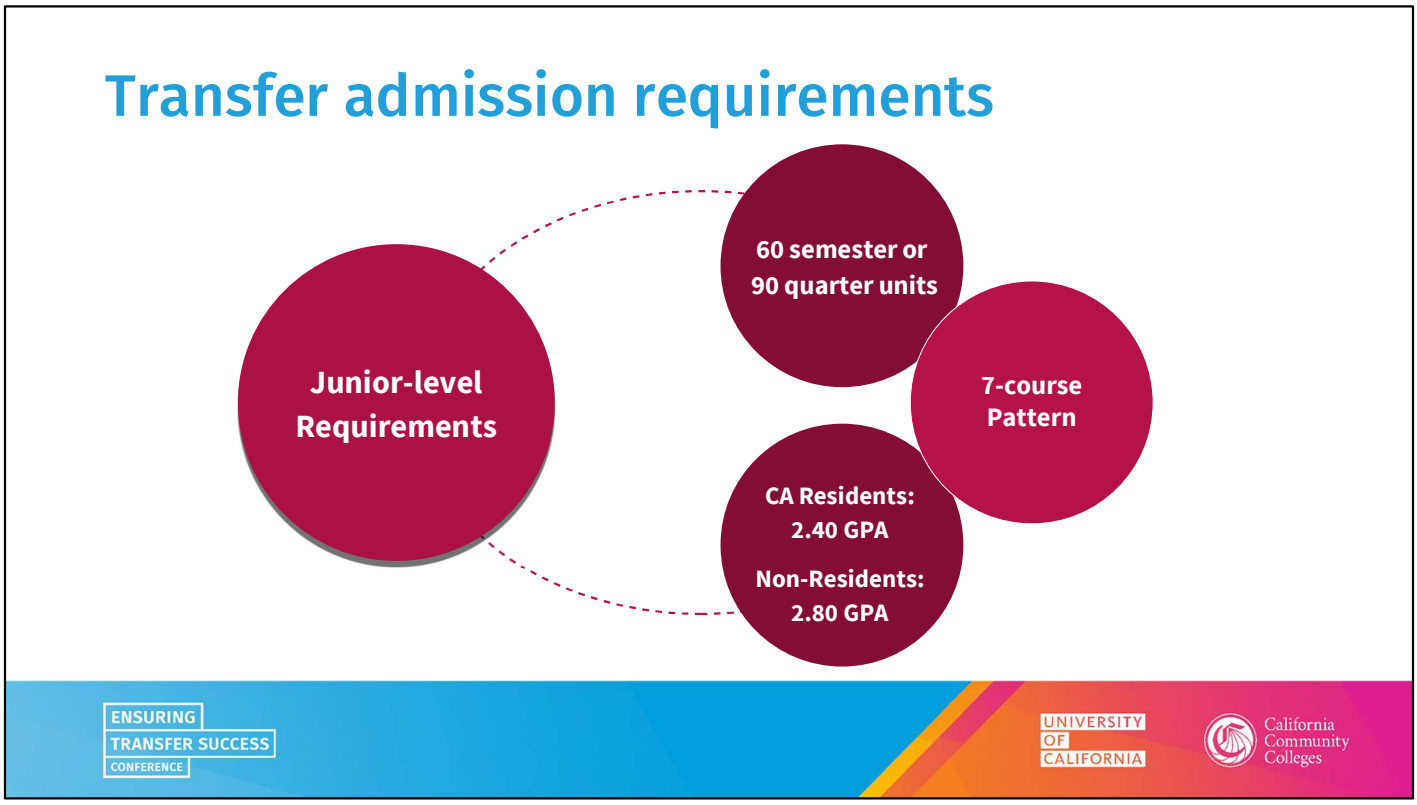


- If the student went to a CCC and then transferred to a CSU and then changed their mind and wanted to transfer to a UC, they are no longer defined as a CCC student. This is important because UCs give preference to CCC transfer students.
- A student who began at a UC, attended a CCC, and now wants to return to a UC is considered an intercampus transfer student.
- A student who began their college education at 4-year or out-of-state institution, then attended and is transferring from a CCC based on the definition in the slide above would be considered a CCC transfer.

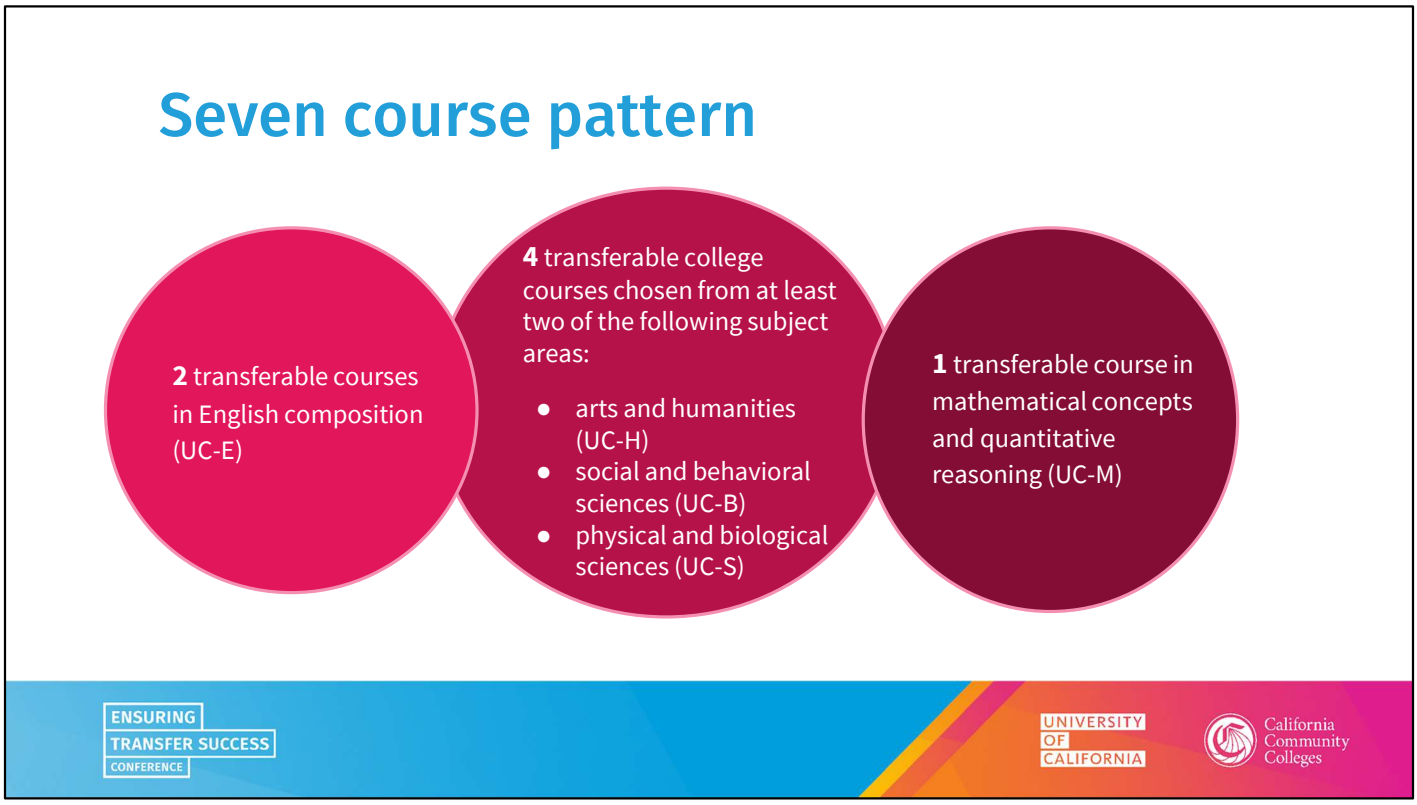


Additional important dates and deadlines

- December 15: Transfer Academic Update (TAU) opens
- Mid-November: TAG decision notification releases for TAG campuses who conduct pre-evaluations
- January 31: Priority TAU deadline
- March 15: Transfer Academic Update (TAU) closes
- July 1: deadline for official transcripts
- July 15: deadline for official test scores



- Transfer students must meet the minimum UC transfer admission requirements for junior level transfer
- UC campuses may have additional requirements that vary by major including additional major-specific coursework and/or higher GPA requirements.
- Some UC campuses may accept lower division transfer students.
    - Students should reach out to individual campuses for more information about lower division admission requirements.



- The UC 7 course pattern is a set of general education courses that transfer students must complete to be eligible to transfer to a UC campus for junior-level admission.
- Assist.org can help identify 7 course pattern courses that are offered at California community colleges.
    - Course marked with “E”, “M”, “B”, “H”, “S” in the “UC Area” column identifies courses that meet the 7 Course Pattern as well as which area it satisfies.
    - E= English Composition
    - M= Mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning
    - B= Social and behavioral sciences
    - H= Arts and humanities
    - S= Physical and biological sciences

UC-transferable GPA

GPA vs UC-transferable GPA

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

UC-transferable GPA

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

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- Withdrawals (W/EW) grades, repeated courses, No Pass (NP) grades are not calculated in the UC GPA
- Academic renewal (AR) are not calculated in the UC GPA if posted on the student's transcript.
- See page 34 of the UC Quick Reference for more information on GPA calculation. https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/_files/documents/quick-reference-guide-to-uc-admissions.pdf

Selection

Requirements vs selection

True or False?

1. Completing IGETC/CalGETC is a requirement for admission.
   - False
2. Major preparation is required for admission.
   - False *(but it depends)*
3. Personal insight questions are considered as part of selection criteria.
   - It depends
4. UC requires applicants to have volunteer experience.
   - False
5. Transfer students must complete the UC 7-course pattern to be considered for admission.
   - True

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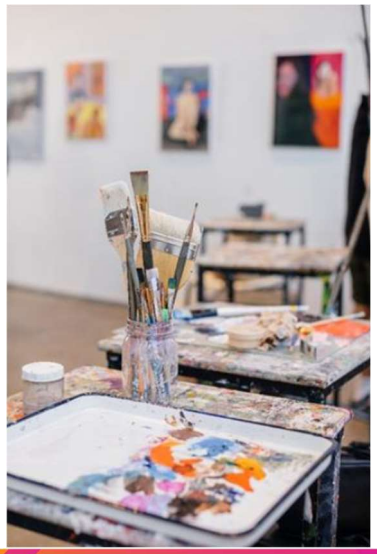
- Completing IGETC/CalGETC is not a requirement for admission, but can be considered by each UC campus as part of selection criteria.
- Major preparation is not a UC transfer admission requirement; however, many majors do requirement major preparation for admission.
  - Major prep requirements vary by campus and major and therefore considered as selection criteria.
- While all applicant are required to submit responses to the UC personal insight questions, each campus may considered the PIQs differently within the selection process. See page 49 of the Quick Reference Guide to UC Admissions for more information. https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/_files/documents/quick-reference-guide-to-uc-admissions.pdf
- The UC 7-course pattern is part of the minimum UC transfer admissions requirements for junior-level applicants.

Comprehensive review

- General Education Breadth Requirements (IGETC/Cal-GETC)
- Grade Point Average (GPA) Overall and major prerequisites
- Honors Courses and Programs
- Special Talents, Achievements, Awards
- Special Projects, Clubs, Research, Volunteer Work
- Life Experiences and Special Circumstances
- Geographic Factors, College Location, Student Residence
- UC Transfer Pathways or Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT)



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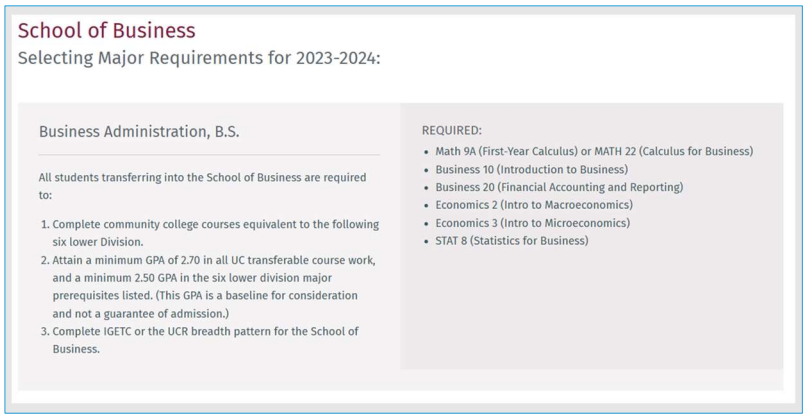
- This holistic approach assesses multiple facets of an applicant's academic and personal achievements, considering them within the context of the opportunities available to the student. The goal is to identify individuals who can contribute meaningfully to the university's intellectual community.

The UC undergraduate admission process does not discriminate against, or provide preferential treatment to, any individual on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin, consistent with federal and state law.

Major preparation

Major preparation (or "major prep") for transfer students refers to completing specific lower-division courses that are required or strongly recommended for a student's intended major before transferring to UC.



School of Business

Selecting Major Requirements for 2023-2024:

Business Administration, B.S.

All students transferring into the School of Business are required to:

1. Complete community college courses equivalent to the following six lower Division.
2. Attain a minimum GPA of 2.70 in all UC transferable course work, and a minimum 2.50 GPA in the six lower division major prerequisites listed. (This GPA is a baseline for consideration and not a guarantee of admission.)
3. Complete IGETC or the UCR breadth pattern for the School of Business.

REQUIRED:

- Math 9A (First-Year Calculus) or MATH 22 (Calculus for Business)
- Business 10 (Introduction to Business)
- Business 20 (Financial Accounting and Reporting)
- Economics 2 (Intro to Macroeconomics)
- Economics 3 (Intro to Microeconomics)
- STAT 8 (Statistics for Business)

UC Riverside Major Preparation Guide, Business Administration Major

- Each campus has their own version of major prep, students should utilize assist.org for the selective major's articulation agreements.
- Student who plan to use non-CCC courses to meet major prep requirements may refer to individual campus websites to Assist articulation agreements to view course requirements; however, course-to-course articulation is not guaranteed.

IGETC and Cal-GETC

Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC)

- A series of courses a CCC student can complete to satisfy most or all general education requirements prior to transferring to UC
- IGETC for STEM
  - Available to students pursuing a STEM major.
  - Student plans to earn an associate degree for transfer (ADT) with an IGETC for STEM option.
  - UC major program accepts partial IGETC (may vary)

California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC)

- A singular set of courses a CCC student can complete to satisfy most or all general education requirements prior to transferring to UC or CSU

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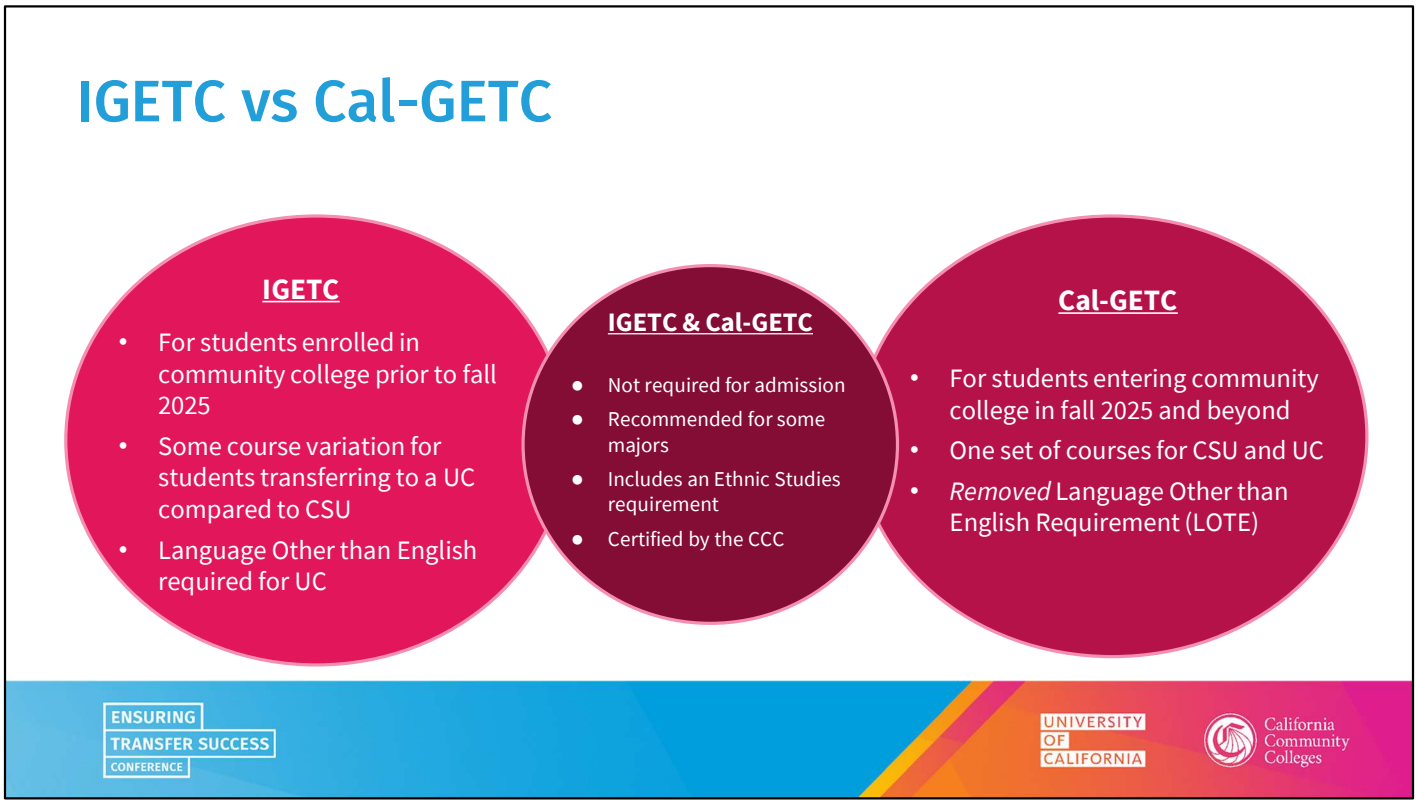
- Transfer student can follow one of two ways to to satisfy general educations requirements.
  - IGETC/Cal-GETC or UC breadth requirements
- Completion of general education requirements is not an admissions requirement; however, completion can be considered for campus selection.
- IGETC/Cal-GETC is typically not recommended for STEM-relatated majors.
  - Students pursuing STEM majors are strongly encouraged to prioritize major preparation requirements for admission to UC.
- IGETC for STEM majors: Chemistry, Biology, and Environmental Sciences
  - Refer to IGETC standards for additional information: https://icas-ca.org/igetc/standards-policies-and-procedures-manual/
- Campus guidance for accepting IGETC: https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/transfer-requirements/preparing-to-transfer/general-education-igetc/campus-guidance.html



- Cal-GETC courses taken fall 2025 or later may be applied toward IGETC certification if approved for the corresponding area.
- IGETC courses taken prior to fall 2025 may be applied toward Ca-GETC if approved for the corresponding area.
- LOTE: student can complete LOTE requirement after transfer per UC campus program and graduation requirements.

https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/transfer-requirements/preparing-to-transfer/general-education-igetc/

Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)

- Guaranteed admission to one UC campus
- Offered at 6 campus
- TAG is not a requirement for admission
- Separate from the UC application
- Requirements vary by campus
  - GPA
  - Coursework
  - Details and deadlines

TAG Deadlines:
May 1-31: Winter/Spring term application filing period
Sept. 1-30: Fall term application filing period

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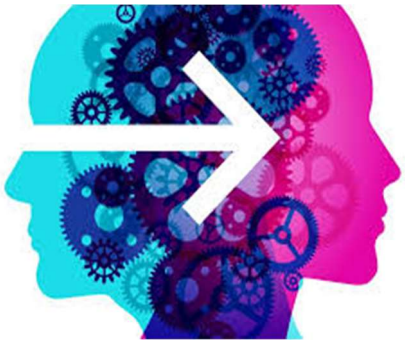
- Transfers applicants can only TAG to one UC campus; however, they may apply to multiple campuses on the UC application.
- Submission of the TAG application is done through the UC Transfer Admission Planner (UC TAP) during the designated filing periods.
- Not all majors at each individual campus may be available for TAG
- For more information view the UC TAG Matrix updated annually: https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/_files/documents/uc-tag-matrix.pdf

Evaluation basics

Transferability

California community college (CCC) courses:

- Students and counselors may utilize Assist to determine if a course is UC transferable for a specific academic year.
- Transferability does not always equal articulation.
  - Use the articulation agreements on Assist to determine which CCC courses articulate to a specific UC campus courses.



Non-California community college courses:

- Transferability is determined after a student has applied to UC.
- Non-CCC courses reviewed and determined to be essentially the same as courses offered for an undergraduate degree at any UC campus are typically transferable.
  - See UC's Transfer Credit Practices

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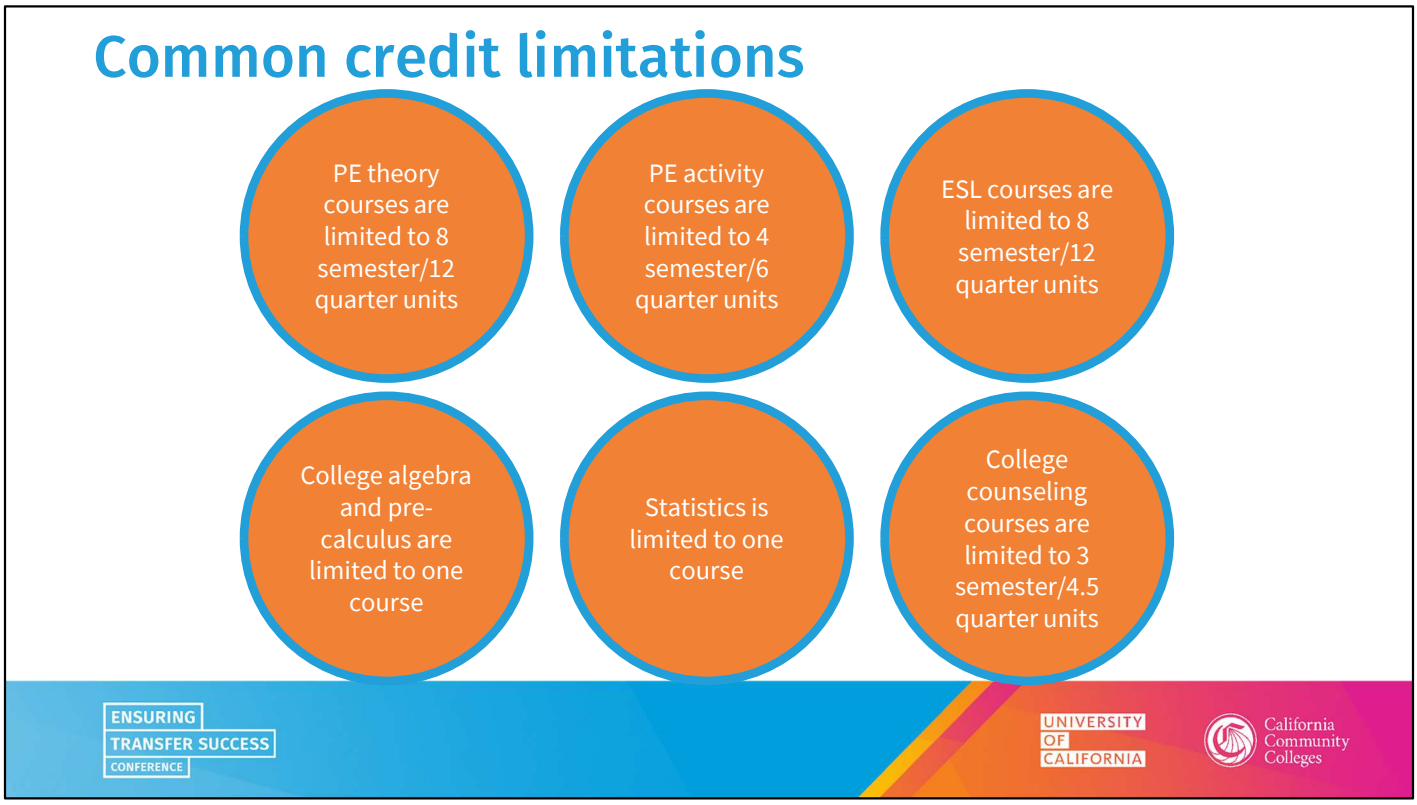
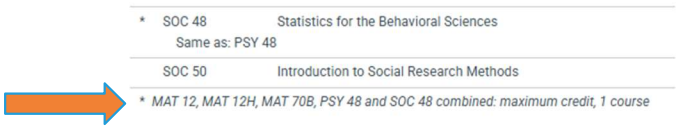
https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/preparing-transfer-students/transfer-credit-practice.html



- PE theory courses are typically identified with a + notation on Assist.org
- PE Activity courses are typically identified with a * notation on Assist.org
- ESL= English as a second language
- Credit is awarded in a manner that most benefits the student toward meeting UC admission requirements and campus selection criteria.

Credit limitation examples

Statistics courses often have limits with other statistics courses in other departments.



*	SOC 48	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences Same as: PSY 48
	SOC 50	Introduction to Social Research Methods

* *MAT 12, MAT 12H, MAT 70B, PSY 48 and SOC 48 combined: maximum credit, 1 course*

There is a limit on how many guidance/counseling units a student will receive credit for.

*	GUI 45	Introduction to College
*	GUI 46	Introduction to the Transfer Process
*	GUI 47	Career Exploration and Life Planning
*	GUI 48	College Success Strategies

* *GUI 45, GUI 46, GUI 47 and GUI 48 combined: maximum credit, 3 units*

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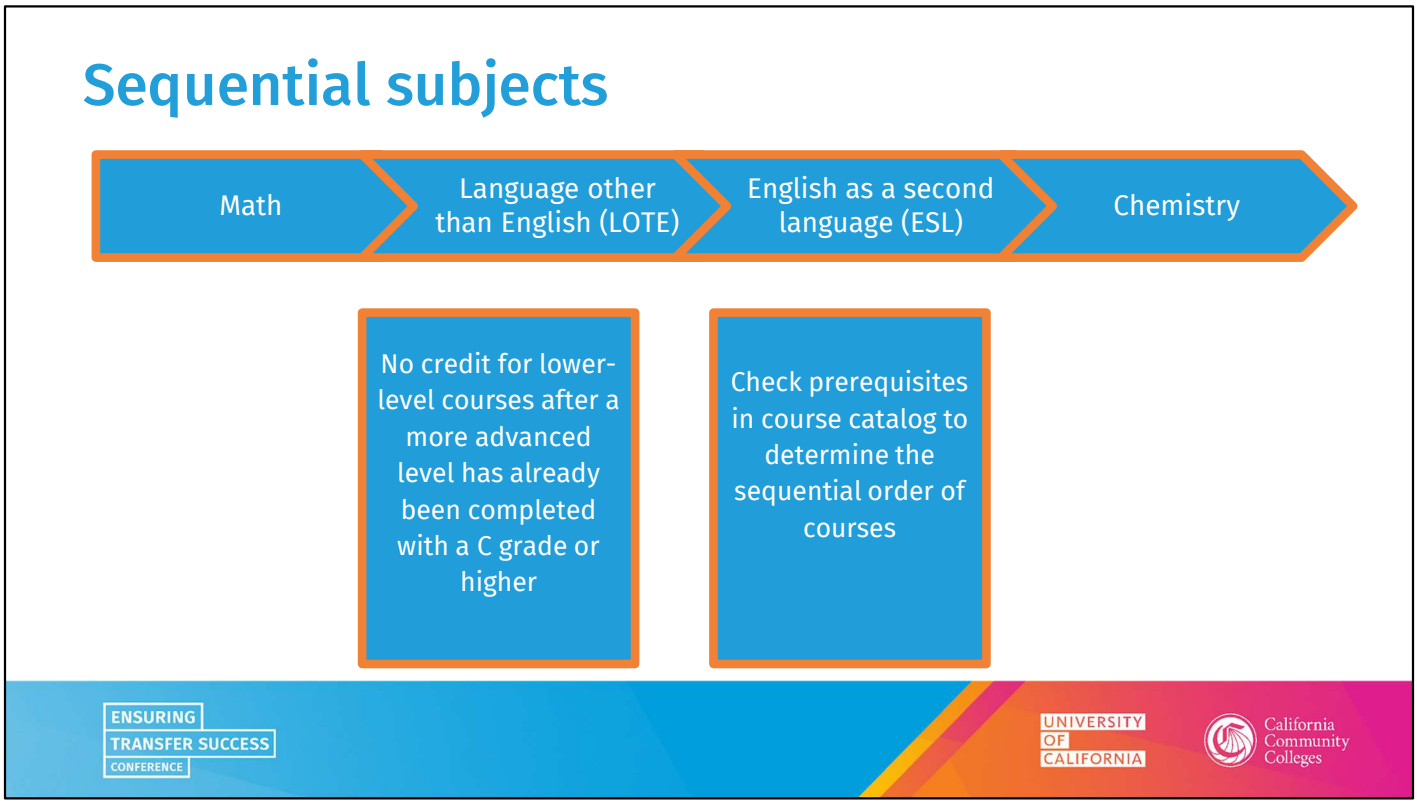
- Symbol that appear next to a course on Assist indicate that a credit limitation is associated with the course.
- Check the footnotes on Assist for additional information about the limitation.
- Example: Statistics
  - If a student completes more than one Statistics courses listed in the footnotes of the TCA on Assist, the student will be awarded credit for only one course.
  - Credit is award for the course that benefits the student most for admission eligibility.
- Example: Counseling and guidance courses
  - If a student completes more that one college counseling or guidance courses, a maximum of 3 semester units will be award for the combination of courses completed.
  - Credit is award for the course(s) that benefits the student most for admission eligibility.



- Sequential subject build on content from the previous lower-level course. As a result, students should advance within the sequence in order based on published prerequisites within the course descriptions.
- Students should repeat sequential subject courses where a non-passing grade (C-, D, D-, or F) was earned before completing next course in the sequence.
- Examples:
    - Math: Precalculus→ Calculus 1→ Calculus 2
    - Language other than English (LOTE): Spanish 1→ Spanish 2→ Intermediate Spanish 1→ Intermediate Spanish 2
    - Chemistry: General Chemistry 1→ General Chemistry 2→ Organic Chemistry 1→ Organic Chemistry 2

Sequence limitation example

Always check the left column for notations concerning limitations.

Review the footnotes on Assist to determine how the credit limitation is applied.

	CHE 1A (W/Lab)	General Chemistry, I
	CHE 1AH (W/Lab)	Honors General Chemistry, I
	CHE 1B (W/Lab)	General Chemistry, II
	CHE 1BH (W/Lab)	Honors General Chemistry, II
* +	CHE 2A (W/Lab)	Introductory Chemistry, I
o	CHE 2B (W/Lab)	Introductory Chemistry, II
* +	CHE 3 (W/Lab)	Fundamentals of Chemistry
* +	CHE 10	Chemistry for Everyone
	CHE 12A (W/Lab)	Organic Chemistry, I
	CHE 12B (W/Lab)	Organic Chemistry, II
	CHE 17	Introduction to the Development of Modern Science

** CHE 2A, CHE 3 and CHE 10 combined: maximum credit, 1 course*
\+ No credit for CHE 2A, CHE 3 or CHE 10 if taken after CHE 1A or CHE 1AH
o No credit for CHE 2B if taken after CHE 12A

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- Example: Riverside City College credit limitations for Chemistry
  - If a student completes any combination of CHE 2A, CHE 3, and/or CHE 10, credit is only awarded for one course.
  - If a student completed an introductory Chemistry course after completing a college-level General Chemistry course, credit is not awarded for the introductory course.

Academic renewals

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

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- Students must petition or apply for academic renewal at their community college.
  - Requirements to receive approval for academic renewal may vary by campus.
- Students who have petitioned for academic renewal but have not received approval from their community college should report the original grade on their UC application.
- UC will honor academic renewals when posted to the student's official transcript/academic record.

Academic renewal sample transcripts

Los Angeles Community College District

2022 Fall (Aug 29, 2022 - Dec 18, 2022)

Course		College	Title	Units Attempted	Units Earned	Grade	Grade Points	Notes
BIOLOGY	006	LAHC	General Biology I	5.00	5.00	A	20	CSU/UC
HISTORY	081	LAHC	Hist Of Wrk People I	3.00	3.00	A	12	CSU/UC
MATH	260	LAHC	Precalculus	0.00	0.00	F	0	CSU/UC
Repeated:			Academic Renewal (Grade/Units Not Used)					

Irvine Valley College

Dept	Course Number	Course Title	Units Enroll	Units Attempt	Grade	Footnote	Units Complete	Grade Points	GPA	GEC	IGETC
Fall Semester 2017											
HIST	20	AMER HIST TO 1870(I)	3.00	(3.00)	F	@	(0.00)	(0.00)		C2	3B
MUS	28	HISTORY OF ROCK MUSIC(I)	3.00	3.00	F		0.00	0.00		C1	3A
PS	1	AMERICAN GOVERNMENT(I)	3.00	3.00	A		3.00	12.00		D8	4H
SOC	1	INTRO TO SOCIOLOGY(I)	3.00	(3.00)	F	R	(0.00)	(0.00)		D0	4J
		Semester Total	**12.00**	**6.00**			**3.00**	**12.00**	**2.00**		
		Cumulative Total	**12.00**	**6.00**			**3.00**	**12.00**	**2.00**		

GRADE NOTATIONS

e	Credit by exam
#	High School Credit Only (not used after fall 2003)
@	Academic Renewal
r	Repeat Annotation for courses repeated
H	Honors Program

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Los Angeles Community College District example:

- A specific notation of “Academic Renewal” is posted under the course title of the specific course with F grade still visible transcript.

Irvine Valley College example:

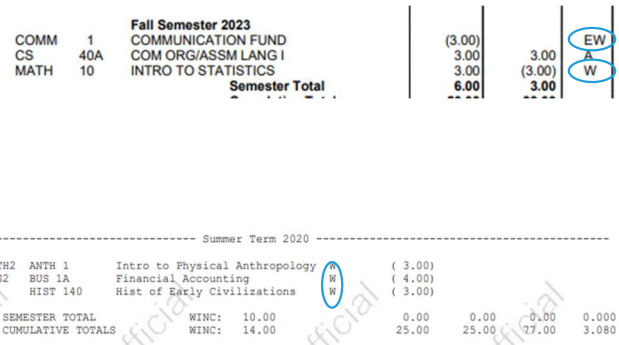
- Utilized an “@” symbols with an associated legend to identify courses where academic renewal has been granted.

Withdrawals

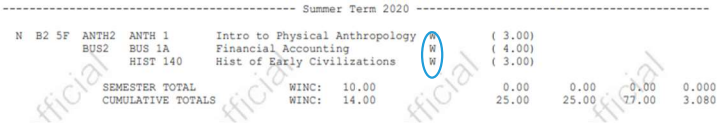
Courses marked as ‘Withdrawal’ or ‘Excused Withdrawal’ have no grade point value and are not included in the GPA calculation.

However…

Failure to withdraw and unauthorized withdrawals are considered ‘F’ grades.



		Fall Semester 2023				
COMM	1	COMMUNICATION FUND	(3.00)			EW
CS	40A	COM ORG/ASSM LANG I	3.00	3.00	A	
MATH	10	INTRO TO STATISTICS	3.00	(3.00)	W	
		Semester Total	**6.00**	**3.00**		



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N	B2 5F	ANTH2	ANTH 1	Intro to Physical Anthropology	W	(3.00)				
		BUS2	BUS 1A	Financial Accounting	W	(4.00)				
			HIST 140	Hist of Early Civilizations	W	(3.00)				
		SEMESTER TOTAL			WINC:	10.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.000
		CUMULATIVE TOTALS			WINC:	14.00	25.00	25.00	77.00	3.080

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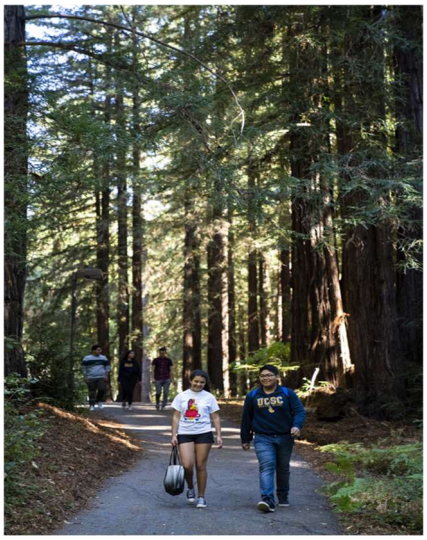
Language of instruction (LOI)



- No lower-division credit is awarded for language acquisition courses or AP language exams and college LOTE courses if the language was the same as the language of instruction in all of the 9th grade or beyond.
- College credit for literature courses taught in the language of instruction is allowed.

Example:

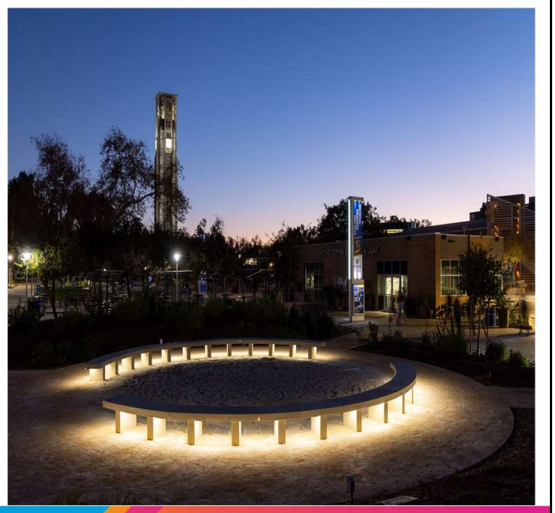
- Olivia completed 9th and 10th grade in Spanish. Therefore, she is not eligible to receive UC credit for Spanish language courses taken at a CCC or for the AP Spanish Language exam. However, UC credit may be awarded for the AP Spanish Literature exam or for UC-transferable Spanish literature courses.

Limitations on lower division units

Students are granted up to 70 semester/105 quarter UC-transferable units for lower division coursework at any institution or combination of institutions.

- Excludes units completed at a UC campus or UC Extension
- Excludes AP, IB, and/or A level examinations
- All CCC units are lower division
- Lower division units completed beyond maximum limitation does not impact eligibility for admission.

Note: Upper division units deemed UC-transferable may result in excessive units and potentially impact an applicant's eligibility.



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- All lower division units completed from any institution are added together.
- If the total number of units exceeds 70 semester/ 105 quarter units the lower division limitation is applied.
- Upper division units and UC units (including lower division units) are added to the lower division unit total.
    - Admission eligibility for high-unit juniors and/or seniors varies by campus.
    - For campus-by-campus information see pages 37-39 in the Quick Reference Guide: https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/_files/documents/quick-reference-guide-to-uc-admissions.pdf

Lower division unit limitation

Examples:

Moreno Valley College +	**5 semester/7.5 quarter units**
Riverside City College +	**84 semester/126 quarter units**
Mt. San Jacinto College	**3 semester/4.5 quarter units**
Total units awarded =	**70 semester/105 quarter units**

Santa Ana College +	**12 semester/18 quarter units**
CSU Fullerton *(lower division)* +	**72 semester/ 108 quarter units**
CSU Fullerton *(upper division)*	**18 semester/27 quarter units**
Total units awarded =	**88 semester/132 quarter units**

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Example 1:

- Add up all units for a total of 92 semester units/138 quarter units
- Because all units completed are lower division, the maximum number of units awarded is 70 semester/105 quarter units.
- Student is not at risk of excessive units

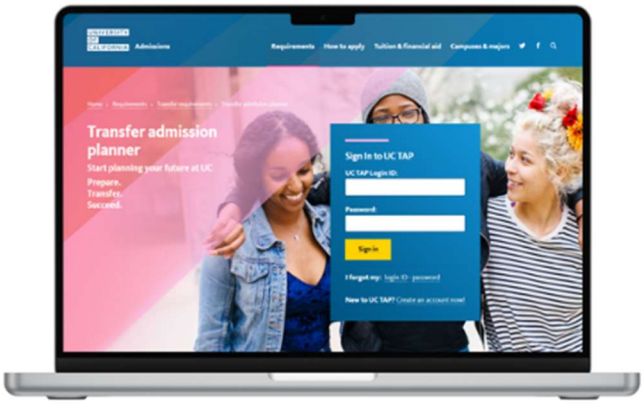
Example 2:

- Add up all lower division units for a total of 84 semester/126 quarter units
- Apply the lower division unit maximum for a total of 70 semester/105 quarter units of lower division awarded
- Add the upper division units to the lower division unit total for an overall total of 88 semester/132 quarter units
- Student may be at risk of excessive units and may required additional review by the dean during the application process (varies by college)
    - Refer to UC Quick Reference Guide pgs. 37-39

Transfer student resources and programs

UC Transfer Admission Planner (UC TAP)

UC TAP is a free, online tool designed for prospective transfer students to track and plan their coursework as they prepare to transfer



- **Free** online tool for California Community College students
- Designed to **track and plan** coursework for UC transfer
- **Required to apply for a UC Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)**

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UC TAP is a free, online tool designed for prospective transfer students to track and plan their coursework as they prepare to transfer from a California Community College to a University of California (UC) campus.

Why should students use UC TAP?

- Academic Planning: Helps students map out UC transfer requirements and ensure they're on the right track for their intended major.
- Progress Tracking: Students can save and update their coursework and grades over time.
- TAG Submission: Students must use UC TAP to apply for a Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) to six UC campuses.
- Direct Support: Some UC campuses may use TAP information to reach out with helpful resources, events, or early advising

It fosters joint academic planning between students and counselors, reducing transfer missteps and ensures students' academic history is organized in one place, helping avoid lost information or inconsistencies when applying.

The UC Transfer Pathways are a set of curated course plans that outline the most efficient route for California Community College students to prepare for the most sought after UC majors across all nine undergraduate campuses.

These pathways help students know which major preparation courses to take that will keep their UC transfer options open and competitive. It's a powerful planning tool for students who may not know which campus they'll apply to, but have already decided on a major.

Pathways majors:

- Aerospace engineering *(NEW - fall 2026)*
- Anthropology
- Biochemistry*
- Bioengineering *(NEW - fall 2026)*
- Biological Sciences**
- Biology*
- Business administration
- Cell biology*
- Chemical engineering *(NEW - fall 2026)*
- Chemistry
- Civil engineering *(NEW - fall 2026)*
- Communication
- Computer science
- Data science *(NEW - fall 2026)*
- Earth science/geology *(NEW - fall 2026)*
- Economics

- Electrical engineering
- English
- Environmental engineering *(NEW - fall 2026)*
- Environmental science *(NEW - fall 2026)*
- History
- Materials science & engineering *(NEW - fall 2026)*
- Mathematics
- Mechanical engineering
- Molecular biology*****
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Statistics *(NEW - fall 2026)*

**Will be consolidated under "Biological Sciences" for transfer applicants to fall 2027 and later.*
***Available for transfer applicants to fall 2027 and later. Will encompass the former biology, biochemistry, cell biology, and molecular biology Transfer Pathway majors.*

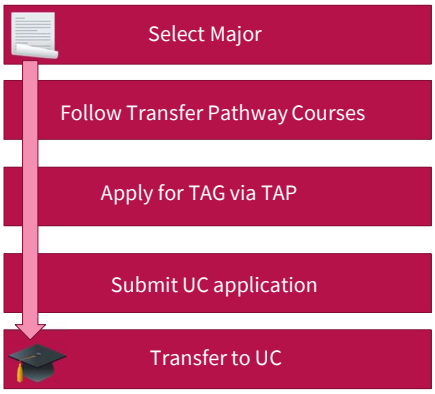
UC Transfer Pathways+

Pathways+ blends a clear set of major prep courses (Transfer Pathways) with the security of TAG.

What is Pathways+?

- Combines UC Transfer Pathways + Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)
- Follow major-specific prep for top UC majors
- Use TAP (Transfer Admission Planner) to track progress and apply

Majors for UC Transfer Pathways are the same for Pathways+



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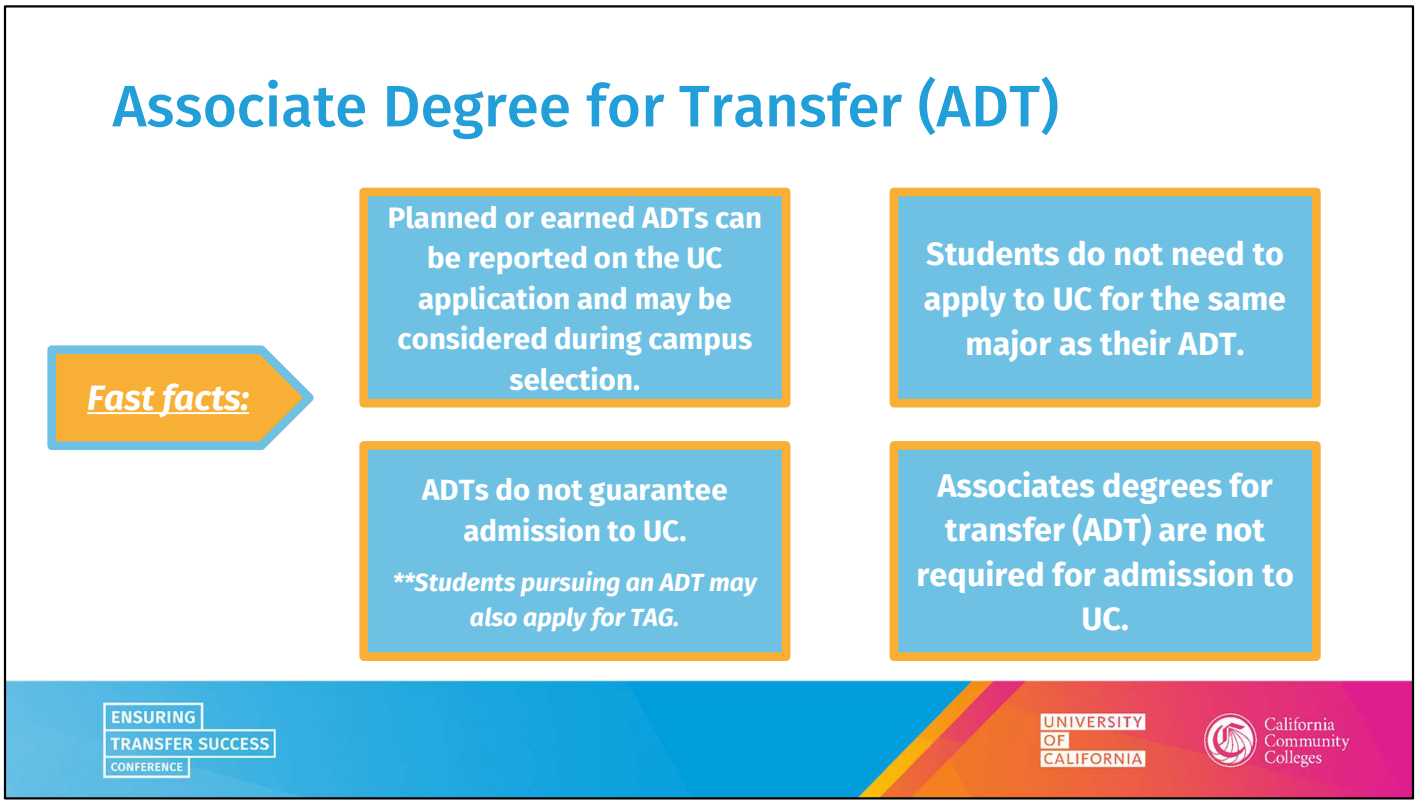
UC Transfer Pathways+ goes a step further. It combines the major preparation from the UC Transfer Pathways with the benefits of the **Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)** and **UC Transfer Admission Planner (TAP)**. By following a Pathway+ route, students can ensure they are not only preparing for their major, but also meeting campus-specific admission guarantees when available. It's ideal for students who want to keep options open while securing a guaranteed spot at one or more UC campuses

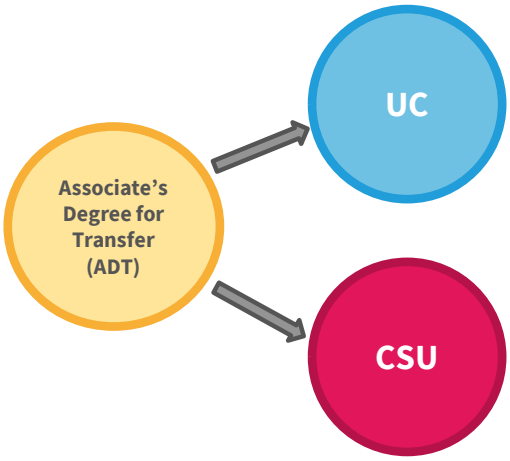


ADT=Associate degree for transfer

ADT to UC

Advising students for UC transfer on an ADT pathway:

- ADTs often meet minimum UC transfer admission requirements.
- May be a viable option for students who wish to apply to both UC and CSU for a non-selecting UC major.
- ADTs may satisfy some or all major prep for selective majors.
  - Students may choose to complete required UC major prep in addition to ADT requirements.
  - Refer to Assist for campus specific major preparation requirements.



Navigating ASSIST

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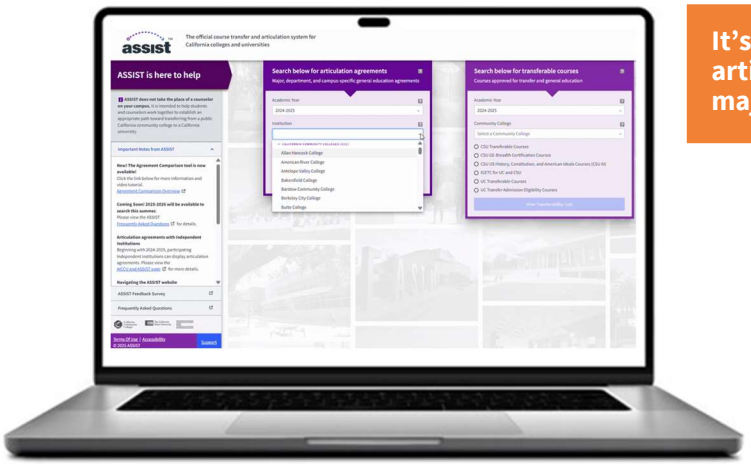
https://assist.org/

Understanding ASSIST.org



It's the go-to resource for exploring course articulation, general education breadth, and major prep requirements

ASSIST.org is California's official transfer and articulation system

- Assist provides accurate, updated info on CCC courses transferable to UC & CSU.
- Free, public tool used by students and counselors to explore:
  - Course transferability (UC-transferable)
  - Major preparation by campus
  - Articulation agreements by major or department

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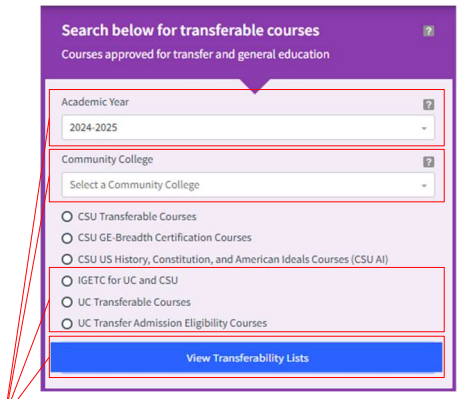
ASSIST.org helps clarify which community college courses will transfer to which UC or CSU campuses.

It's the *go-to resource* for exploring **course articulation**, **general education breadth**, and **major prep requirements**.

It's especially important for students planning to transfer with specific major goals—like Computer Science or Psychology—as prep varies by UC campus.

Site is updated **annually**, so always ensure you're using the correct academic year (e.g., 2024–2025).

Course transferability and site features



- **Transferability: Indicates if a CCC course earns UC credit.**
- All UCs use the same transferability list—but update yearly.
- **Site capabilities include:**
  - Viewing UC-transferable courses by CCC
  - Finding UC-Math (UC-M) & UC-English (UC-E) fulfilling courses
  - Exploring major prep requirements by campus
  - Exporting or printing articulation data for planning

You can find UC transferable courses and UC-M/UC-E in 3 easy steps!

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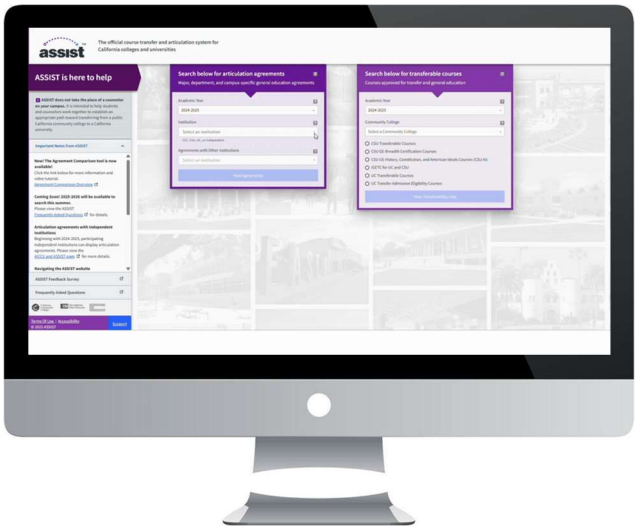
Transferability means the units will be accepted at a UC for credit, often toward eligibility or GE requirements.

ASSIST helps students plan which CCC courses will satisfy **UC-M (Math)** or **UC-E (English)** subject areas.

It also lists **all UC-transferable CCC courses**, so students and counselors can confirm credit will be earned.

Highly useful for **building a transfer plan** that includes both eligibility and competitive major prep.

Articulation agreements



Articulation = how CCC courses fulfill UC major/breadth requirements.

- Campus-specific: agreements differ between UCs.

- **3 types of articulation info:**
  - GE/Breadth agreements
  - Course-to-course equivalencies
  - Lower-division major prep

Must check each UC campus individually

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- Articulation ensures students are meeting **specific course requirements** for admission and success in their major.
- Each UC evaluates CCC courses **independently**—so major prep for "Biology" at UCLA may differ from UCSB.
- Agreements are searchable **by major or department**.
- For impacted majors, articulation lists may also highlight **selection criteria** like minimum GPA or specific course grades.

UC resources for counselors

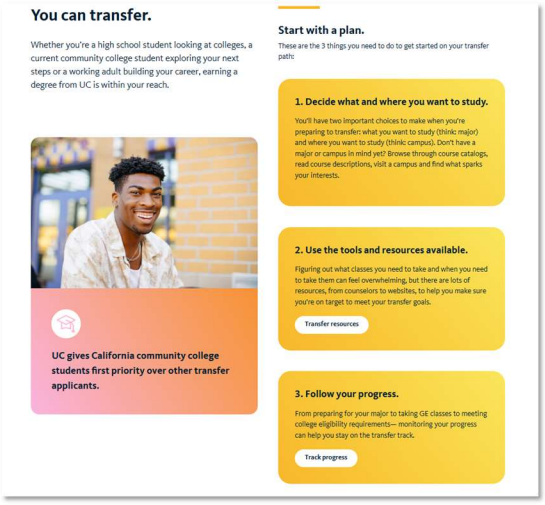
Here's a quick overview of key resources available to support UC transfer students. Many of these are already built into your campus and region, and can make a huge difference in how you guide students.

- **UC Resources -** Systemwide tools students can use to plan and track their transfer path:
  - **UC TAP** – Students track coursework and prepare for TAG.
  - **UC Transfer Pathways** – Roadmaps for 20 top UC majors.
  - **ASSIST.org** – The go-to site for articulation and major prep.

- **CCC Resources -** Local and counselor-focused tools that make transfer advising easier:
  - **Career and Transfer Centers** – Every CCC has one. They host UC rep visits, run workshops, and support transfer planning.
  - **Transfer Counselor Network (TCN)** – A peer and UC-supported network with updates, trainings, and guidance.
  - **CCCtransfer.org/resources** – One-stop shop for transfer tools, event info, and UC advising resources for CCC counselors.

- **Regional Events & Rep Visits**
  - **Transfer Fairs, College Days, UC rep visits** – These are great ways to **connect directly with UC representatives**. They're often coordinated by your Transfer Center or ETS. Be sure to attend or loop students in when these come up.

Transfer Hub for students



Transfer Hub

Includes key transfer information and campus links for transfer students to assist in their planning.

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https://transfer.universityofcalifornia.edu/

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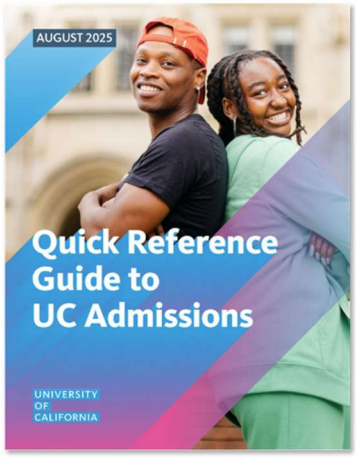
https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/connect-to-resources/counselors-and-advisers-bulletin.html

Your guide to UC



UC Quick Reference Guide to UC Admissions

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

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Counselor resource library: https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/connect-to-resources/resource-library.html

Quick Reference Guide 2025: https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/_files/documents/quick-reference-guide-to-uc-admissions.pdf

Campus major preparation

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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- **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
- **UCLA**
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**
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UC 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)
UCLA	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

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- **Berkeley:** transfer@berkeley.edu
- **Davis:** ua.ucdavis.edu/register/ask
- **Irvine:** transferprep@uci.edu
- **UCLA:** cccp@college.ucla.edu
- **Merced:** transfer@ucmerced.edu
- **Riverside:** admissions.ucr.edu/ask
- **San Diego:** admissions.ucsd.edu/contact
- **Santa Barbara:** admissions@ucsb.edu
- **Santa Cruz:** transfer@ucsc.edu

Questions?

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