
Transfer Academic Update overview

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What is the Transfer Academic Update (TAU)?

The Transfer Academic Update is a mandatory part of the UC transfer application.

- Update to 'in progress' and 'planned' coursework reported in application
- Updateable terms for fall 2026 TAU:
 - Fall 2025
 - Winter 2026
 - Spring 2026
 - Summer 2026

TAU opened:
December 15, 2025

Priority deadline:
January 31, 2026

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The Transfer Academic Update (TAU) allows transfer applicants to update the “In Progress” and “Planned” academic history information submitted with their original application. However, not all college information, courses, or grades are eligible for update.

- ALL applicants must submit a TAU
- Students who do not submit a TAU by the priority deadline are not guaranteed to have their application fully considered
- Only terms for the current academic year can be updated; courses prior to fall 2025 cannot be updated, but students can mention them in the additional comments section

How are students notified about the TAU?

- All applicants received an email from the UC application letting them know **they must submit the TAU for their application to continue being processed**
- Campuses may also send TAU reminder emails to their applicants
- Campuses may also have campus-specific academic update processes in place



Students should read emails and requests carefully to confirm they are meeting all requests and deadlines!

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All applicants received an email from the UC application letting them know they must submit the TAU for their application to continue being processed. The email contained detailed information and was sent mid-December.

All transfer applicants receive the email but its important to note that campuses may also send TAU reminder emails to their applicants as part of their outreach and support efforts. Those emails are often scheduled and have generic messaging such as “If you haven’t yet” so students should not panic if they have submitted their TAU and still receive these emails from campuses.

Campuses may also have campus-specific academic update processes in place – specifically, UC Berkeley applicants will have a separate process that applicants must complete. This means that students that applied to Berkeley and other campuses will need to complete both the TAU and the Berkeley specific update. Berkeley applicants receive information about this process.

Accessing the TAU

- Applicants will need to log into their UC application
- The application status page will include the TAU link
- Shows whether a TAU has been submitted or not
- Application status page is also where students can update limited personal information as well as exams



Application status

Submitted application
Fall quarter/semester 2026

Application ID: 4940278
Submit date: 10/17/2025

Campuses applied to:

Campus	Date Forwarded
UC Davis	
UC Irvine	
UC San Diego	
UC Santa Barbara	
UC Santa Cruz	

Important! UC may send important, time-sensitive correspondence to applicants by email, so be sure to check your email regularly (including your spam folders). We recommend you use a non-school issued email account (e.g. Gmail, Yahoo).

View fees & payments

Transfer Academic Update (TAU) Not submitted

View application

Add a campus choice

Update personal information

Update English language proficiency test

Update IB exams

Update AP exams

Update international exams

Update release authorization

- Students must login to their application to access the TAU
- When they login, the landing page is the Application status page, pictured here
- The list of items on that page includes a TAU link, which is how a student will access the TAU

TAU instructions

- Each section must be completed in sequential order
- From 'Review & submit' students can go back to any section to correct errors but must then go through each sequential section
- Students can submit additional TAUs if information changes after submitting the initial TAU

Transfer Academic Update Introduction

To ensure we have your most current academic information, sophomore, junior and senior transfer applicants are required to submit a Transfer Academic Update (TAU). You must provide your final grades from the previous term and list all courses in progress or planned for the term before you expect to enroll. Even if you do not have any in-progress or planned courses and your academic record was complete in your original application, you still must complete the Transfer Academic Update.

Instructions
You must complete each TAU section in sequential order. Once all steps are completed, you can review your information on the "Review & submit" page. From that page, you can navigate to each section, fix any errors or make any changes, and proceed through each section again. Once your information is correct and complete, you can submit the TAU.

Each applicant must submit at least one TAU. Once a TAU is submitted, it cannot be edited or changed. If you need to make any additional changes or updates, you'll need to submit a new TAU.

You have not submitted the Transfer Academic Update.

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The TAU process has 7 steps.

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Important to note: once TAU is submitted, it cannot be edited or changed. Instead, students would need to submit a new TAU if changes need to be made.

Updating colleges

- Each school with an exclamation point must be reviewed by clicking 'Edit'
- Student can add a new college by clicking on 'Add college'
- When all colleges are reviewed and/or added, student can click 'I've finished updating colleges'



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Transfer Academic Update Colleges

The colleges you entered in your application are listed below. Please review the information and make any necessary changes.

CONTRA COSTA COLLEGE ALL LOCATIONS, CA		Edit
College code:	004943 (id:8301; ATP)	
Attended:	August 2023 - May 2024	
Current or most recent college:	No	
Term system changed:	No	
Term system:	Semester	
Enrolled terms:		
Has Assoc. Transfer/UC Transfer Pathway degree	No	
Degree, diploma or certificate:	No degree	
DIABLO VALLEY COLLEGE ALL LOCATIONS, CA		Edit
College code:	004295 (id:8302; ATP)	
Attended:	August 2024 - May 2026	
Current or most recent college:	Yes	
Term system changed:	No	
Term system:	Semester	
Enrolled terms:	Fall 2025 Spring 2026	
Has Assoc. Transfer/UC Transfer Pathway degree	Yes	
Degree, diploma or certificate:	Associate for Transfer (AA-T, AS-T)	
Degree major / Date received:	Biology, May 2026	

[Add college](#)
[I've finished updating colleges](#)

- Even if the student has no changes to make to the colleges, they must click on each college with the exclamation point, review the information, and save it in order to move on.
- Students can only add colleges if the attendance dates are within the current academic year (fall 2025 through summer 2026). Colleges attended before the current academic year cannot be added on the TAU, but the student can use the comments section on the Additional Information page to report them.
- If a student originally reported that they would not take any courses in spring 2026 but has now enrolled in spring courses, they can 'add college' on the Colleges page for the spring 2026 term. This will prompt them to enter coursework for that term on the Courses & grades page.

Deleting colleges

- 'Delete' button displays only if the courses reported are for TAU terms and all grades are 'planned'
- Colleges cannot be deleted if courses exist for past terms or if there are 'in progress' grades for the TAU terms



DE ANZA COLLEGE ALL LOCATIONS, CA		Delete Edit
College code:	004286 (id:8284; ATP:)	
Grading system:	A B C D F	
Attended:	June 2026 - August 2026	
Current or most recent college:	Yes	
Term system changed:	No	
Term system:	Semester	
Enrolled terms:	Summer 2026	Planned courses
Has Assoc. Transfer/UC Transfer Pathway degree	No	
Degree, diploma or certificate:	No degree	

SAN JOSE CITY COLLEGE ALL LOCATIONS, CA		No Delete button → Edit
College code:	004686 (id:8285; ATP:)	
Grading system:	A B C D F	
Attended:	August 2024 - May 2026	
Current or most recent college:	No	
Term system changed:	No	
Term system:	Semester	
Enrolled terms:	Fall 2025 Spring 2026	Courses that are in progress (IP) or with grades
Has Assoc. Transfer/UC Transfer Pathway degree	Yes	
Degree, diploma or certificate:	Associate for Transfer (AA-T, AS-T)	
Degree major / Date received:	Communication Studies, May 2026	

[Add college](#) [I've finished updating colleges](#)


A college may be deleted only if:

- All associated coursework is from Fall 2025, Winter 2026, Spring 2026, or Summer 2026.
- "DELETE" button displays next to each college only if the courses reported are for TAU terms and all grades are "Planned". The college cannot be deleted if courses exist for past terms or if there are "In Progress" grades for the TAU terms.
- Schools prior to TAU terms will not display the Delete button.
- Deleting a college deletes all related coursework.

The logic behind this is that if courses were IP when the student filed the application, they should not now be 'deleted'. If the student dropped one or more courses, they'll need to indicate this with the grade and or W.

College information

- Only gray shaded areas can be updated
- Term system and grade system cannot be updated
- When all updates are made (or if no updates needed), student must click 'Save and continue'



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Transfer Academic Update College information

TAU only includes changes related with the current academic year, starting with the last completed term. Information such as term system and grading system cannot be changed.

DIABLO VALLEY COLLEGE, 004295-3
ALL LOCATIONS, CA
School code: 004295-3

When did you attend this college? *

Start date:

Month: August Year: 2024

End date:

Month: May Year: 2026

Is this your current or most recent college? *

☐ No ☒ Yes

What is this college's grading system?

All CA Community Colleges use A-B-C-D-F grading system which include all letter grades, credit/no credit, pass/no pass, incomplete, withdraw, academic renewal, in progress and planned grades.

☐ A-B-C-D-F

What is this college term system? *

Semester

Please select all the terms when you were enrolled at this college.

☒ Fall 2025

☒ Spring 2026

Did you or will you receive an Associate for Transfer or UC Transfer Pathway (UCTP) Associate's degree?

☐ No ☒ Yes

Degree Level: Associate for Transfer (AA-T, AS-T)

Date received / will receive

Month: May Year: 2026

Major

Biology

+ Add another Associate for Transfer degree

Degree Level: UC Transfer Pathway (UCTP) Associate's Degree

UC Transfer Pathway degrees are not available for this college.

Save & continue
Cancel

- When the student clicks on 'Edit' for a college, the information they previously entered for this college will display.
- Unfortunately, if they entered the wrong term type on the original application, they cannot update that now.
 - If a student, for instance, selected "semester" as the term type rather than "semester with intersession," they won't now have the option to correct it and won't be able to enter coursework into a winter term.
 - In these cases, if a student needs to report a winter 2026 intersession course, we suggest they add it to spring 2026 and include a note in the Additional information section indicating that 'xxx' course in spring is actually a winter intersession course.

Updating grades

Students must change fall 2025 'IP' grades to actual grades

Students can change spring 2026 'PL' courses to 'IP'

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Click on a department to see the list of courses offered. Select the courses you took and the grades you received. If your courses aren't listed, click "I don't see my courses" at the bottom of the page and enter them manually. Please report all grades received for all courses you enrolled in. Include withdrawals, incompletes and courses you may plan to repeat at later date.

DIABLO VALLEY COLLEGE

ALL LOCATIONS,CA

Grading system: A B C D F

Term system: Semester

College code: 004295

Grade Codes

AR - Academic Renewal

CR - Credit

EW - Excused Withdrawal

IN - Incomplete

IP - In Progress

NC - No Credit

NP - No Pass

PL - Planned

PS - Pass

STLIP - Still In Progress

WF - Withdraw Failure

WI - Withdraw Unauthorized

Fall 2025

> Administration of Justice

> Biological Science

> Communication Studies

Dept	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Grade
<input type="checkbox"/> COMM	125	Intercultural Communication		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMM	128	Interpersonal Communication	3	IP

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DIABLO VALLEY COLLEGE

ALL LOCATIONS,CA

Grading system: A B C D F

Term system: Semester

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Spring 2026

> Administration of Justice

> Art

Dept	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Grade
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ART	303	Introduction to Two-Dimensional Design	3	PL
<input type="checkbox"/> ART	302	Introduction to Three-Dimensional Design and Sculpture		

- Students should NOT leave any fall 2025 courses as 'IP'
- If, for some reason, the course is still in progress, they should change 'IP' to 'STLIP' (still in progress) and explain in the Additional information section why the course is still in progress and when they expect it to have a grade
- If a student has an INC (incomplete) in fall 2025, they also need to explain in Additional information when that course will be complete and a letter grade will be available
- If a student dropped a course in fall 2025, they need to report it as a W even if they dropped it before the deadline when a W would appear on the transcript – they can explain this in Additional information

Courses and grades updated

Updated view once students update fall 2025 and spring 2026 courses and grades.

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TAU only includes changes related to the current academic year, starting with the last completed term. Please report all the courses you enrolled in and the grades you received for each college and term listed below. Include withdrawals, incompletes and courses you may plan to repeat at a later date.

CONTRA COSTA COLLEGE
ALL LOCATIONS, CA
College code: 004943

Grading system: A B C D F
Term system: Semester

Edit

DIABLO VALLEY COLLEGE
ALL LOCATIONS, CA
College code: 004295

Grading system: A B C D F
Term system: Semester

Edit

Fall 2025

Delete

Edit

Dept.	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Grade
COMM	128	Interpersonal Communication	3.0	A
ECE	124	Child Development and Psychology	3.0	A
KINES	210	Introduction to Kinesiology	3.0	A
MATH	182	Calculus for Management, Life Science, and Social Science I	4.0	B

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Delete

Edit

Dept.	Course No.	Course Title	Units	Grade
ART	101	Introduction to Two-Dimensional Design	3.0	IP
ENGL	123	Critical Thinking: Writing about Literature	3.0	IP
ETHN	101	Introduction to Ethnic Studies	3.0	IP
HUMAN	105	Introduction to Humanities: Arts and Ideas	3.0	IP
PSYC	130	Introduction to Biological Psychology	3.0	IP
PSYC	215	Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology	3.0	IP

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- Students must answer questions about ELWR and IGETC or Cal-GETC completion
- 7-course pattern pre-populates with courses reported matching ASSIST
- If student plans to use non-CCC coursework for 7-course pattern, they need to manually enter the courses in each area

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Our minimum requirements are academic standards that you must attain to be considered for admission to the UC system.

Prior to transfer, will you have satisfied the Entry-Level Writing Requirement? *

☒ Yes ☐ No

Prior to transfer, will you be certified for completion of the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC)? *

☒ Yes ☐ No

Transferable college courses

Prior to transfer, you need to complete the 7-course pattern. If these courses are completed with grades of C or better, you will fulfill the transferable college course requirement.

College / University English composition

The following CA Community College courses you reported in Academic History section meet the English composition requirement, if completed with grade C or better.

Dept	Course No.	Course Title	Grade
SOCIO	122	Critical Thinking about Social and Cultural Issues	A
ENGL	123	Critical Thinking: Writing about Literature	IP

College / University mathematics

The following CA Community College course you reported in Academic History section meets the mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning requirement, if completed with grade C or better.

Dept	Course No.	Course Title	Grade
MATH	182	Calculus for Management, Life Science, and Social Science I	B

College / University courses in other areas

Based on the courses you reported in Academic History section, you have at least 4 courses in 2 of the subject areas (Arts and Humanities), Behavioral Sciences, Physical and Biological Sciences). If you complete these courses prior to transfer with grades of C or better, you will fulfill the course requirement for other subject areas.

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- If students have or will have completed the two transferable English composition courses, ELWR will have been satisfied
- The question about IGETC/Cal-GETC is an estimate by the student and helps evaluators determine, after admission, whether they need to hold for UC GE requirements or wait for an IGET/Cal-GETC certification
- There may be some programs on some campuses that expect IGETC/Cal-GETC completion; in those cases, if a student marked 'Yes' to IGETC/Cal-GETC completion but learns that they will not actually be certified, they should notify the campus (after admission) to ensure this does not affect their admission

No enrollment in TAU terms

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TAU only includes changes related to the current academic year, starting with the last completed term. Please report all the courses you enrolled in and the grades you received for each college and term listed below. Include withdrawals, incompletes and courses you may plan to repeat at a later date.

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY SAN DIEGO, CA College code: 000470	Grading system: A B C D F Term system: Quarter	Edit
SAN DIEGO CITY COLLEGE ALL LOCATIONS, CA College code: 004681	Grading system: A B C D F Term system: Semester	Edit
SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE ALL LOCATIONS, CA College code: 004726	Grading system: A B C D F Term system: Semester	Edit

Gaps in college enrollment *
Based on your academic record, you were not enrolled at any college during the terms listed below. Because these terms occurred during the academic year, please provide an explanation why you were not enrolled.

Fall 2025	Add explanation
Spring 2026	Add explanation

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Explain enrollment gap
Please tell us why you were not enrolled during this term.

Term: Fall 2025

Reason for enrollment gap *

150 characters remaining

Save & continue Cancel

- This page displays if student did not report enrolling at any school during current academic year
- Student must explain 'gap in enrollment' for each term
- Explanation is limited to 150 characters
- If the student originally report no courses for spring 2026 but has changed their mind, they need to go back to the 'Colleges' tab and add a college for spring 2026, which will then allow them to add courses and grades for the spring 2026 term

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- Answering 'yes' to academic probation question does NOT automatically disqualify a student
- Transfer Pathway data is for statistical purposes only
- 550 characters for additional comments
- This is where students would indicate changes prior to fall 2025**

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* required

Please review the information below and make any necessary changes.

Have you ever been on academic notice? *

☒ No
 ☐ Yes

UC Transfer Pathway

If you followed a [UC Transfer Pathway](#) and completed all of the Pathway course expectations for your intended major, please indicate which Pathway.

Cell Biology

Clear

[Add Another UC Transfer Pathway](#)

Additional comments

If there's anything else you want us to know about your academic record, you can do so in the space below. But remember, you should use this space only if you want to describe anything that you have not had the opportunity to include elsewhere in this section (for example: a break in attendance, poor grades in a particular course or year, specific information about your school environment or policies that affect your academic record or choices for classes).

International applicants: If you selected Other as your school's grading system, please explain the grading system here.

550 characters remaining

Save & continue

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- The TAU does not currently collect information about completing an ADT, as the ADTs are primarily for CSU and do not affect admission to UC
- The additional comments would be where students indicate any changes to terms prior than fall 2025

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- Students can 'edit' any section to see what they reported, but will have to go through each TAU page again in order
- Students must certify accuracy
- Once submitted, students will receive a confirmation showing all TAU information

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To ensure your Transfer Academic Update is officially recorded, complete all steps and click "Submit." You will receive a confirmation to print for your records.

Review information

Please review all of your information carefully. If you need to make changes, click the corresponding "Edit" button. Once your information is correct and complete, check the box at the bottom of the page and enter your initials to certify the accuracy of your information and then click "Submit."

Expand All

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Edit

Certify accuracy

I certify that the information I have provided is accurate and complete.

I have included all terms and courses within those terms for the schools listed above.

I have attended no other schools during these terms.

☐

I agree that the above statements are correct.

Enter Initials

Submit

- If the student does not receive the confirmation, it may mean that the TAU submission did not go through
- In this case, they should go back to the Application status page of the application to see if it still shows the TAU as not submitted

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Application status page

- Students can confirm the TAU was submitted on the Application status page
- Date displayed will be the date of the last TAU submission (if student submitted more than one TAU)



Application status

Submitted application

Fall quarter/semester 2026

Application ID: 4940278

Submit date: 10/17/2025

Campuses applied to:

Campus	Date Forwarded
UC Davis	
UC Irvine	
UC San Diego	
UC Santa Barbara	
UC Santa Cruz	

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View application **TAU submitted 10/17/2025**

Add a campus choice

Update personal information

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Update release authorization

Submitting another TAU

- Students can submit multiple TAUs during the TAU window
- Students will need to go through every page of the TAU to edit and save
- Information on a new TAU must be different than information submitted on a previous TAU

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Instructions

You must complete each TAU section in sequential order. Once all steps are completed, you can review your information on the "Review & submit" page. From that page, you can navigate to each section, fix any errors or make any changes, and proceed through each section again. Once your information is correct and complete, you can submit the TAU.

Each applicant must submit at least one TAU. Once a TAU is submitted, it cannot be edited or changed. If you need to make any additional changes or updates, you'll need to submit a new TAU.

Submitted TAUs

TAU submitted 10/17/2025

Do you need to submit a new TAU?

☐ No ☐ Yes

Continue

Cancel

- No limit on how many TAUs can be submitted, but each must be different than the previous TAU

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What does an ideal TAU look like?



Final fall 2025 grades are updated



Final schedule for winter/spring 2026 confirmed and marked as 'IP'



Submitted by the priority deadline – January 31



No additional TAUs submitted unless the student is responding to a request received by a campus



While students often are juggling various school/life/home responsibilities, an accurate and complete TAU is essential to their UC admission process. This begs the question, what does an ideal TAU look like? While we know situations can vary, it is extremely helpful if students submit one, complete TAU by the priority deadline and refrain from submitting additional TAUs unless absolutely necessary. We cannot guarantee that a campus can go back to review an application if an additional TAU has been received after the priority deadline.

Submitting a new TAU with no new information

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To ensure your Transfer Academic Update is officially recorded, complete all steps and click "Submit." You will receive a confirmation to print for your records.

There are some errors below.
You must continue working and fix these errors before moving on to the next step.

Continue working

Certify accuracy

I certify that the information I have provided is accurate and complete.
I have included all terms and courses within those terms for the schools listed above.
I have attended no other schools during these terms.

☒ I agree that the above statements are correct.

Submit

You have already submitted the same Transfer Academic Update information on 01/02/2026. There is no need to submit another TAU.

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- If a student tries to submit a new TAU with no new information, an error message displays.
- Applicants can log off and no changes will be made.
- It will also preserve the information from the previous TAU.

Final reminders

ALL transfer applicants
must submit at least one
TAU

Priority deadline for
submitting initial TAU:
January 31, 2026

TAU closes:
March 15, 2026

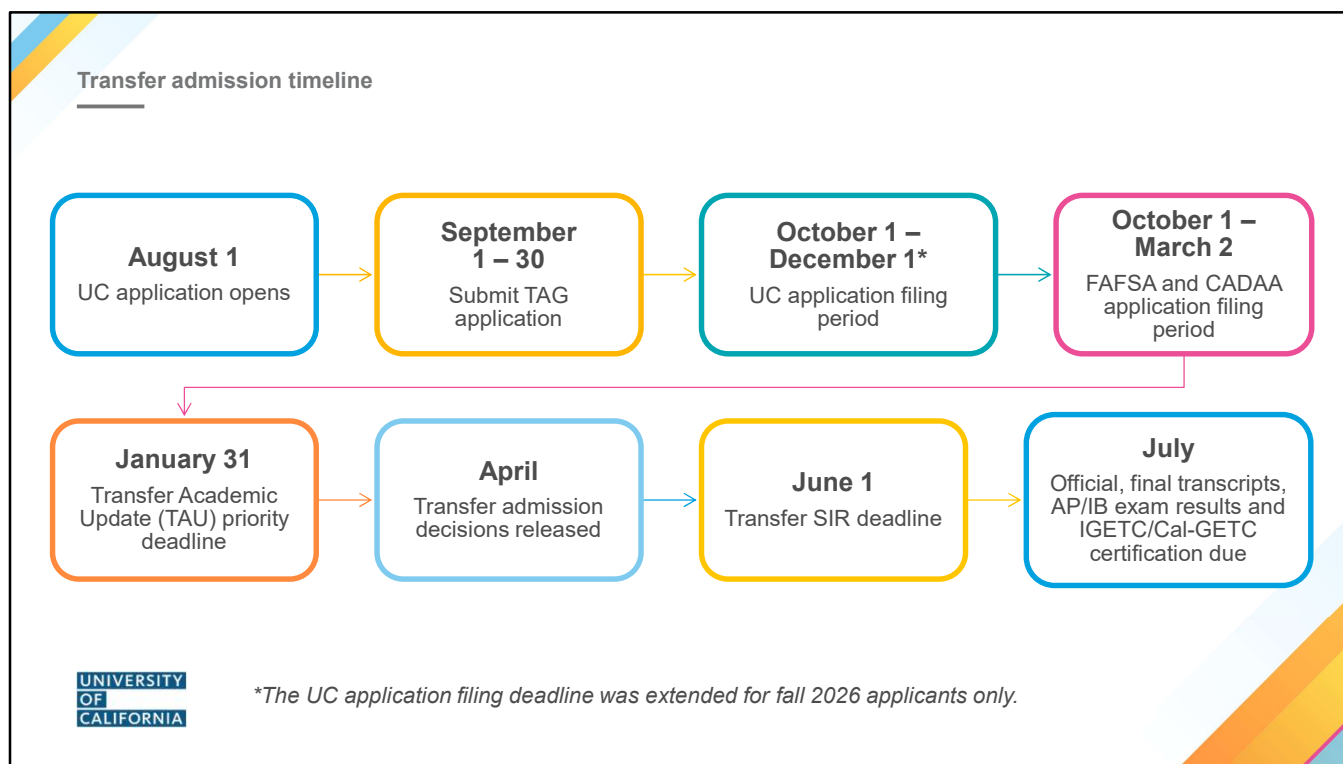
Only information for the
current academic year
(fall 2025 through
summer 2026) can be
updated on the TAU

Winter 2026
intercession/quarter
grades are NOT included
in the GPA calculation for
admission

Summer 2026
coursework may or may
not be included in the unit
calculation – depends on
each campus



- All students must submit an initial TAU by the Jan, 31 priority deadline to ensure their application gets a thorough review
- If students need to update coursework prior to fall 2025, they can include that in the Additional information section of the TAU
- Most common reason for a second TAU is to update winter grades
- No limit on how many TAUs can be submitted, as long as info is different on each one
- If a student submits a second (or third, etc.) TAU, it overrides the information from the previous TAU



The UC application and admission process is a year-long cycle.

August 1: The UC application opens. Students can begin to craft each part of their application. Remember, since UC does not use letters of recommendation, interviews, or portfolios unless required for admission to a specific major, the UC application is the only way for students to present and advocate for themselves. Some campus majors do require supplemental materials, such as Nursing, or some fine arts majors. Students should speak with the campuses they're interested in for information on applications for those majors. The UC application will also indicate whether a supplemental application or materials are required.

September 1 – 30: Transfer applicants interested in Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) must submit a TAG application between September 1-30. They must also submit a UC application during the filing period.

October 1 – December 1: UC students can submit applications beginning October 1. **The deadline has been extended to December 1 for Fall 2026 applicants** given the timing of the Thanksgiving holiday. The typical deadline is November 30. Applicants are not considered on a first-come, first-serve basis, so applicants should take their time in filling out the application thoroughly before submitting.

Important: Once submitted, applicants can update very little in the UC application. Students should ensure their UC application is accurate and complete before submission.

October – March 2: All students should submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or a California Dream Act Application (CADAA). The majority of students at UC receive financial aid and

scholarships. We'll cover that in more detail later in this presentation. Campuses use information from the FAFSA and CADAA for both admission and scholarships. The FAFSA for the fall 2026 admission cycle is anticipated to become available on October 1.

January 31: Transfer students who apply for fall admission will be asked to update their applications through the UC Transfer Academic Update (TAU) process by the end of January. Once they log in to their application, they will be able to give UC their final grades from the previous fall, as well as a list of all courses in progress or planned for winter and/or spring. All students must submit a TAU, even if not enrolled in any courses in the spring term. The priority submission deadline is January 31. The Transfer Academic Update form is open until [March 15](#), but the priority review date is the date students should focus on as there is no guarantee TAU information submitted after January 31 will be considered in the review. Failure to submit the form may jeopardize a student's chances of admission.

April: Transfer admission decisions are released throughout the month of April. Campuses do not all release decisions on the same day, but will have all transfer decisions released by April 30.

July: Campuses use self-reported information to admit students, so UC does not require (nor want) students to submit any transcripts when they apply for admission. Instead, UC will ask for official transcripts only for admitted students who have submitted their SIR by June 1. Official transcripts for all institutions attended are due July 1, with AP/IB exam results and other certifications (such as IGETC or Cal-GETC) due by July 15.

Resources



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Includes:

- Admission requirements for both first-year and transfer applicants
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- PIQ tips and worksheets
- Tuition & financial aid information
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