Benefits of UC TAP & TAG

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Poll

- Are you are familiar with the UC Transfer Admission Planner?

- Have you have used it when advising your students who are applying to a UC campus?

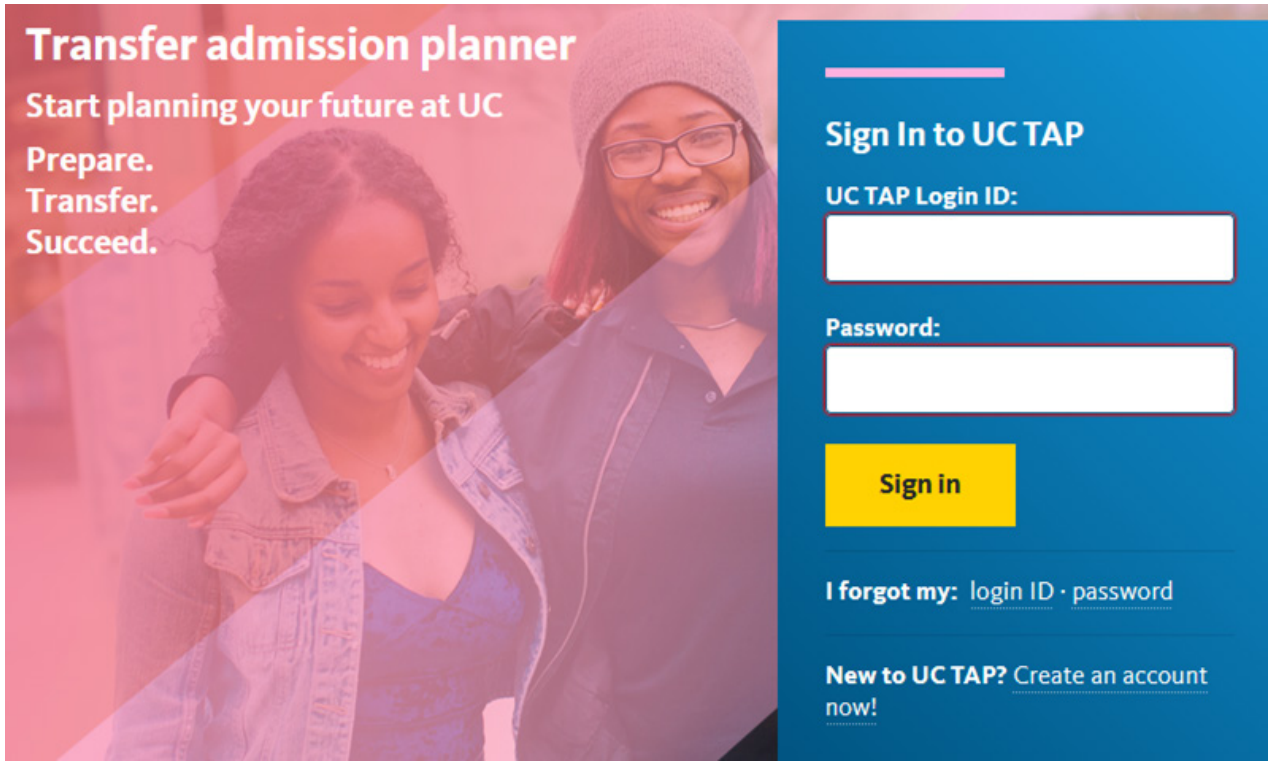
UC Transfer Admission Planner (UC TAP)

Who is it for?

- California Community College students and counselors
- Those planning to apply for Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)

When should students create a TAP account?

- The sooner the better!



UC TAP benefits to counselors

UC TAP features:

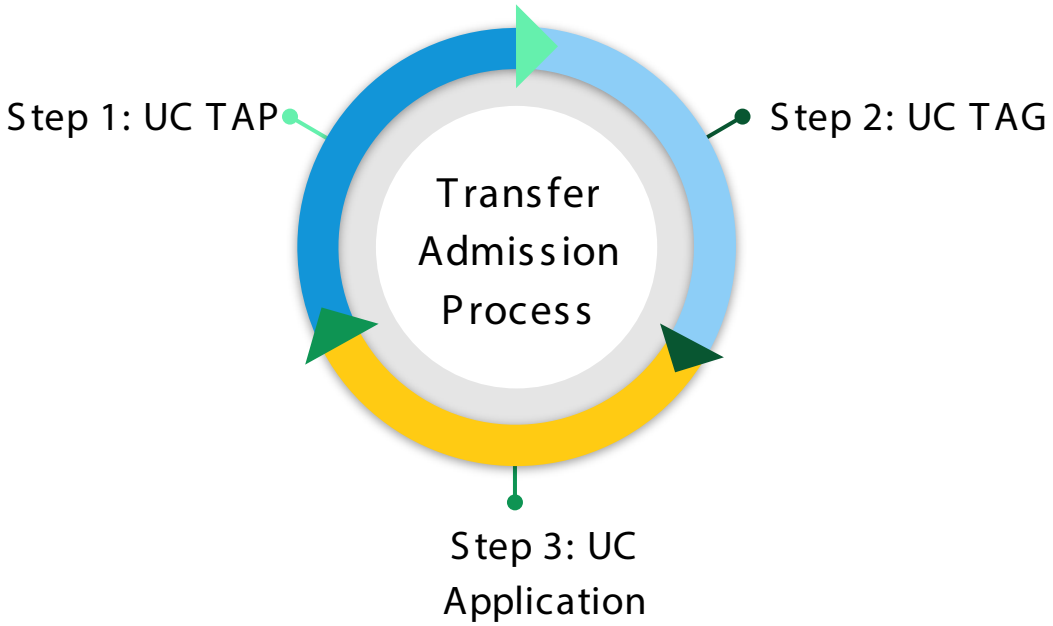
- Calculate preliminary units, GPA and completion of 7-course pattern
- Use as an evaluation tool to work with TAG students
- Provides the list of UC TAG contacts

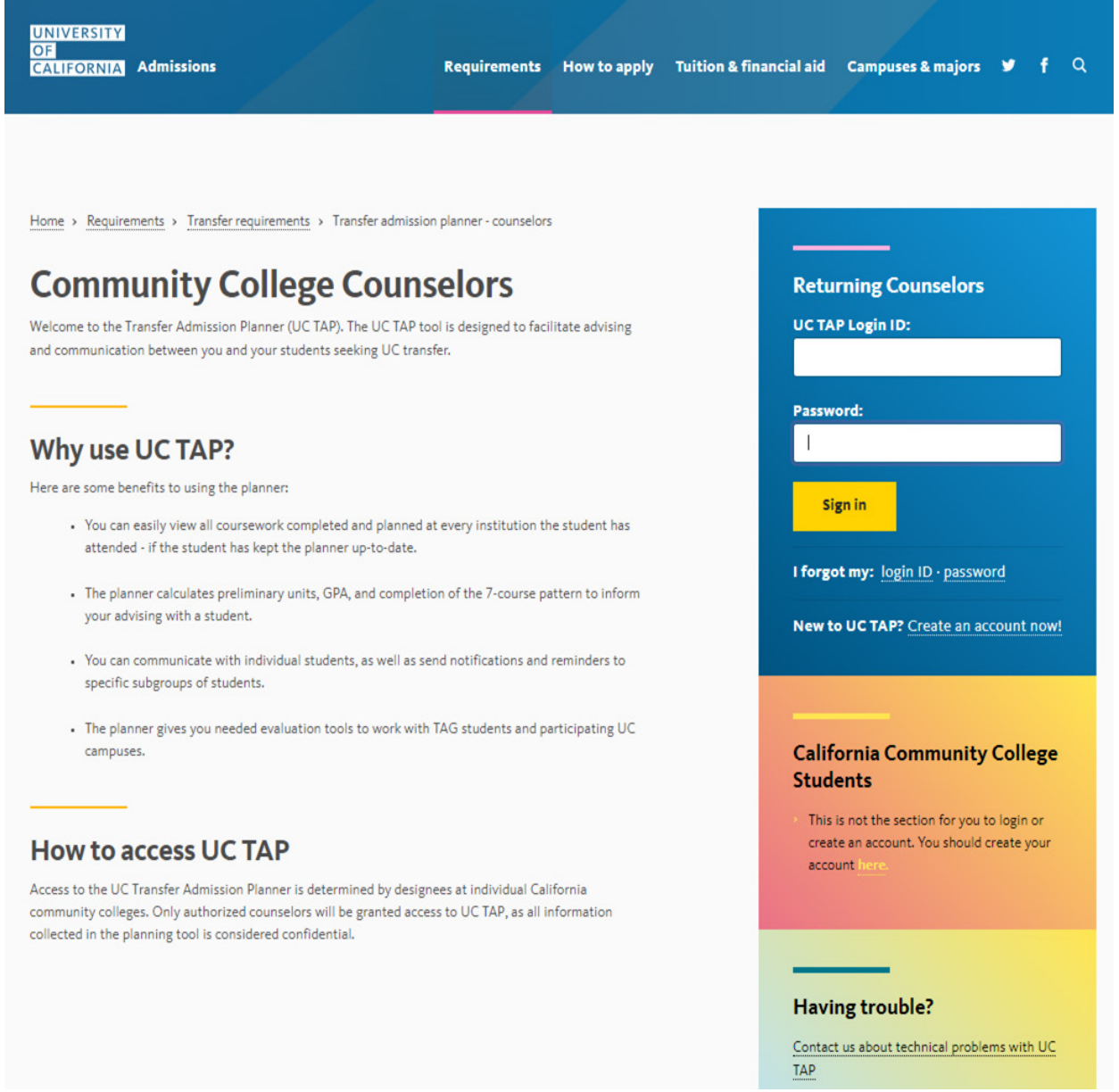
Counselor perks:

- View completed and planned coursework at every institution the student has attended
- Communicate with students by sending notifications and reminders to specific subgroups of students
- Access to reports and outcome data

UC TAP Benefits for students

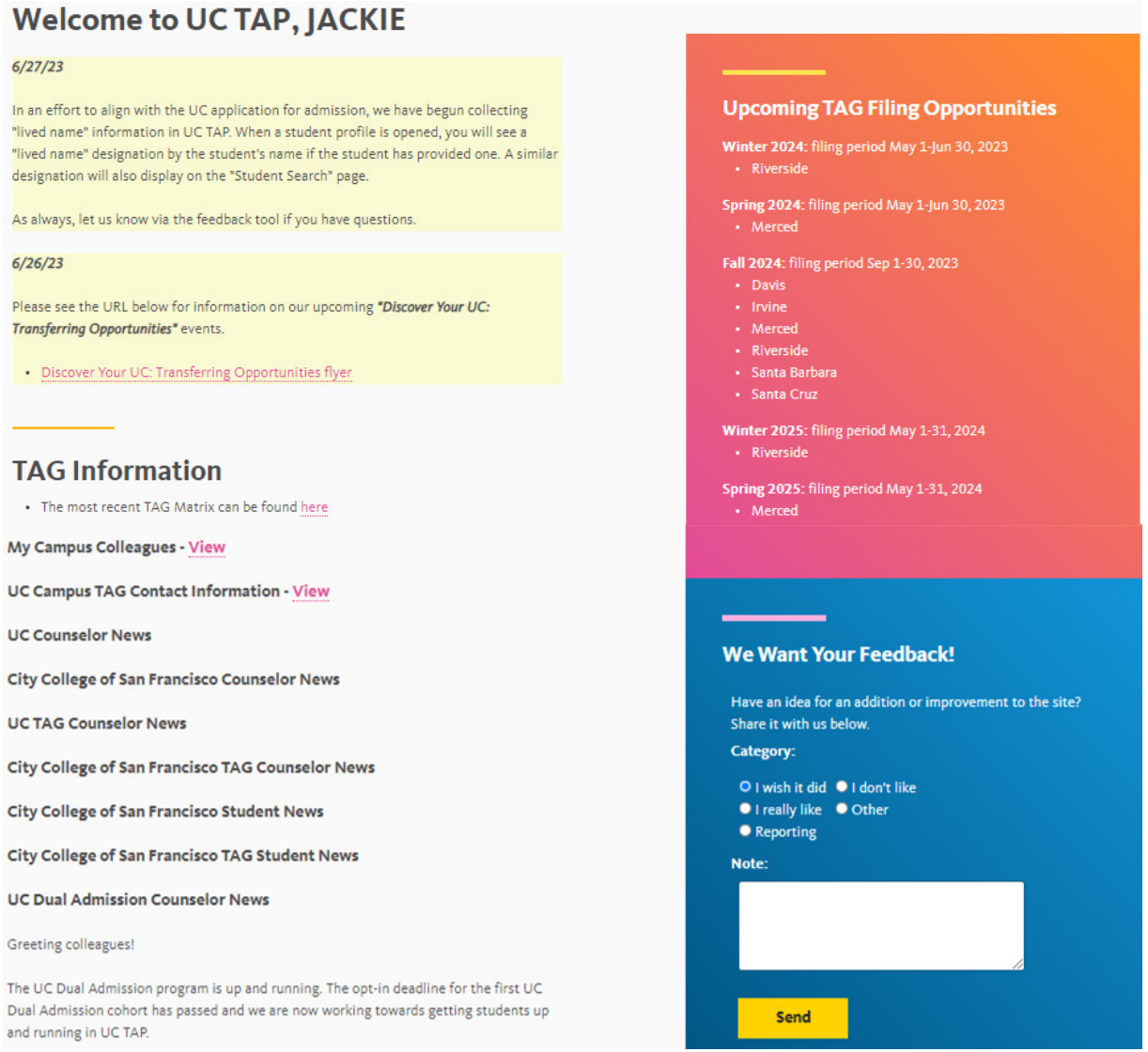
- Receive communication regarding upcoming events/visits from UC representatives and community college counselors
- Track student progress towards meeting admission requirements
- Easily import data from TAP to the UC application
- Central recordkeeping for students who have attended multiple CCCs
- Required for TAG!





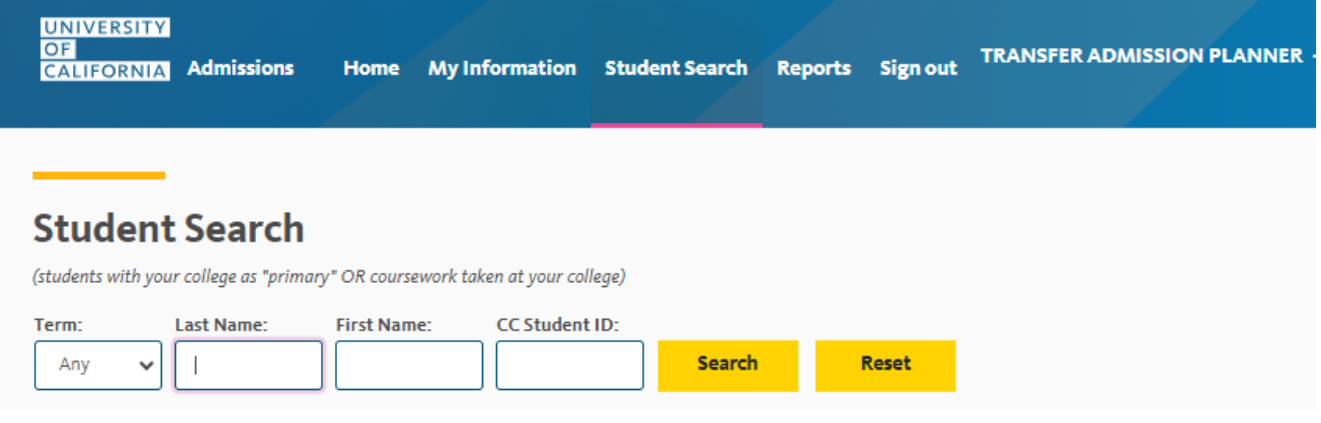
UC TAP for counselors

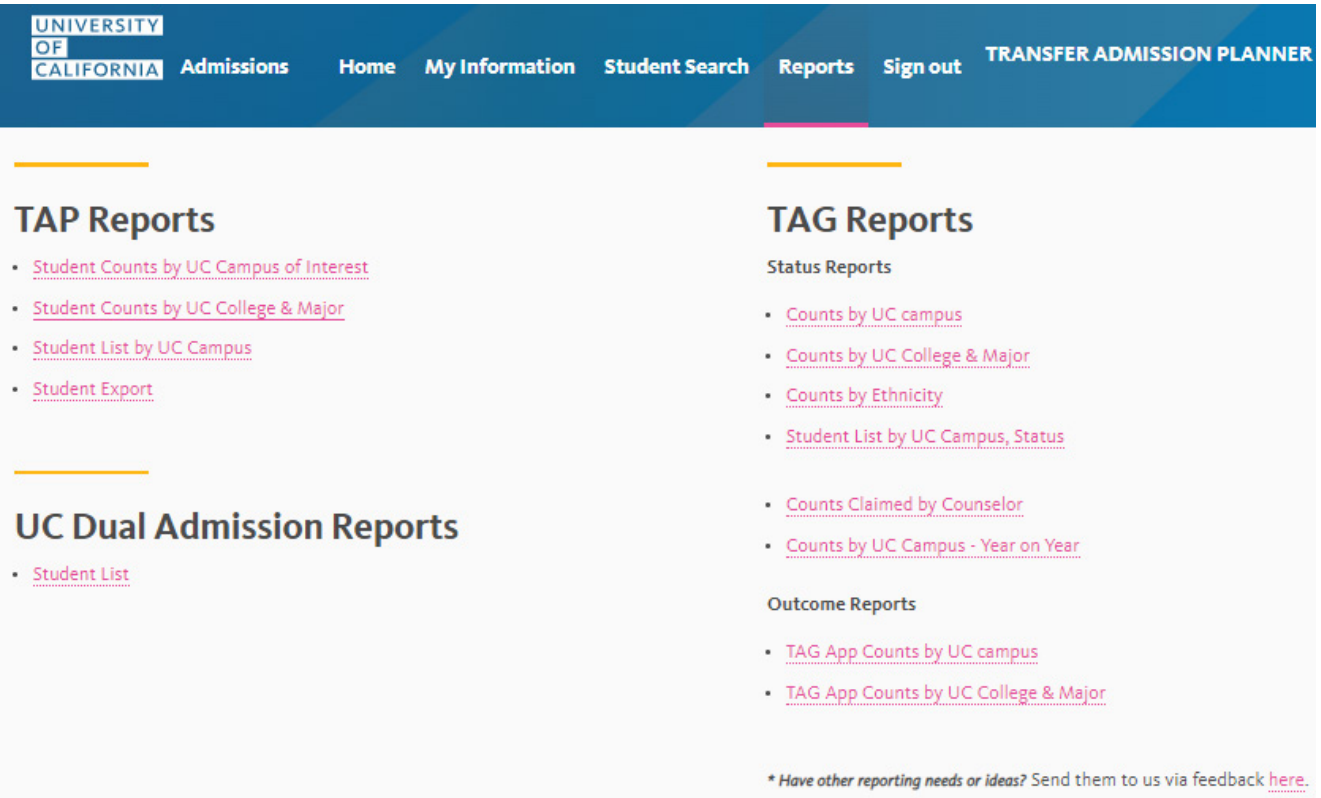
- Create/Login to access TAP account
- IT support



Home page

- TAG information
- Who has access to UC TAP at my school?
- UC TAG contacts
- CC news from the Transfer Center
- UC Dual Admission news **(New)**
- TAG filing deadline
- Feedback!

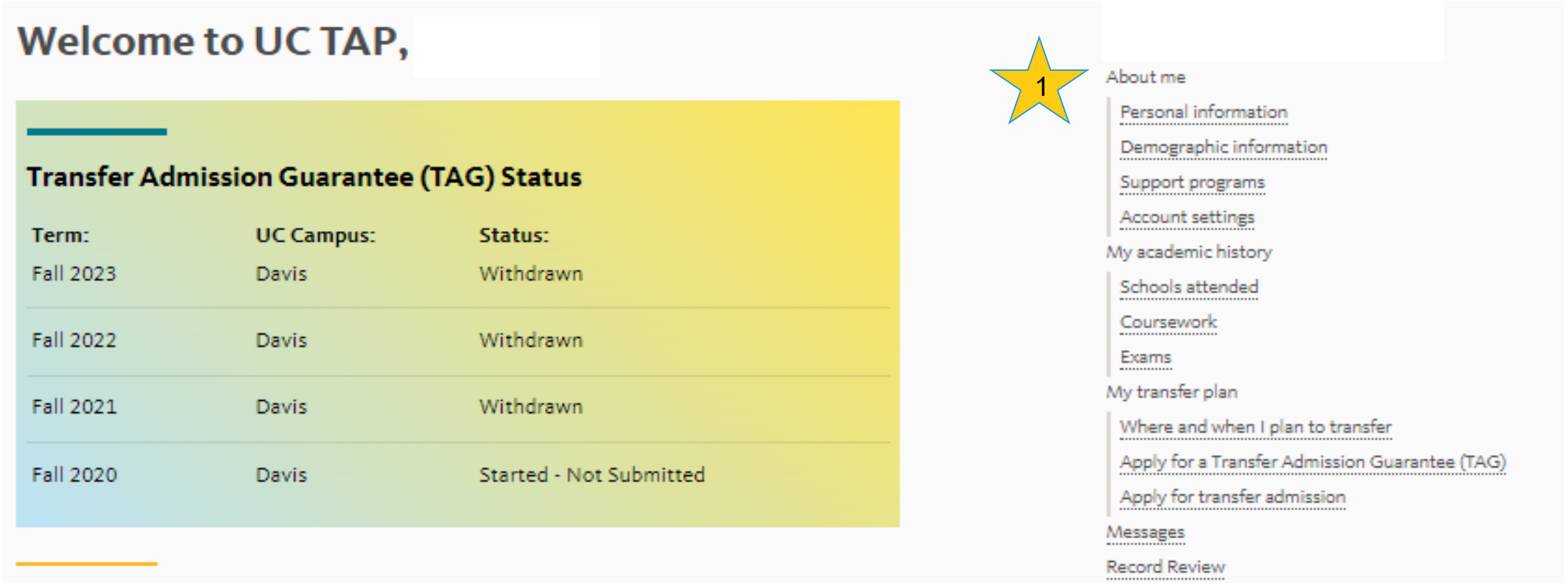




Tools

- Student search
- Reports
  - TAP reports
    - Student counts by UC campus
    - Student counts by UC college/majors
    - Student list by UC campus
  - UC Dual Admission reports
  - TAG reports (status & outcome)

UC TAP for students



UC TAP for students

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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.)

If you are planning to submit a TAG, please be aware of the following:

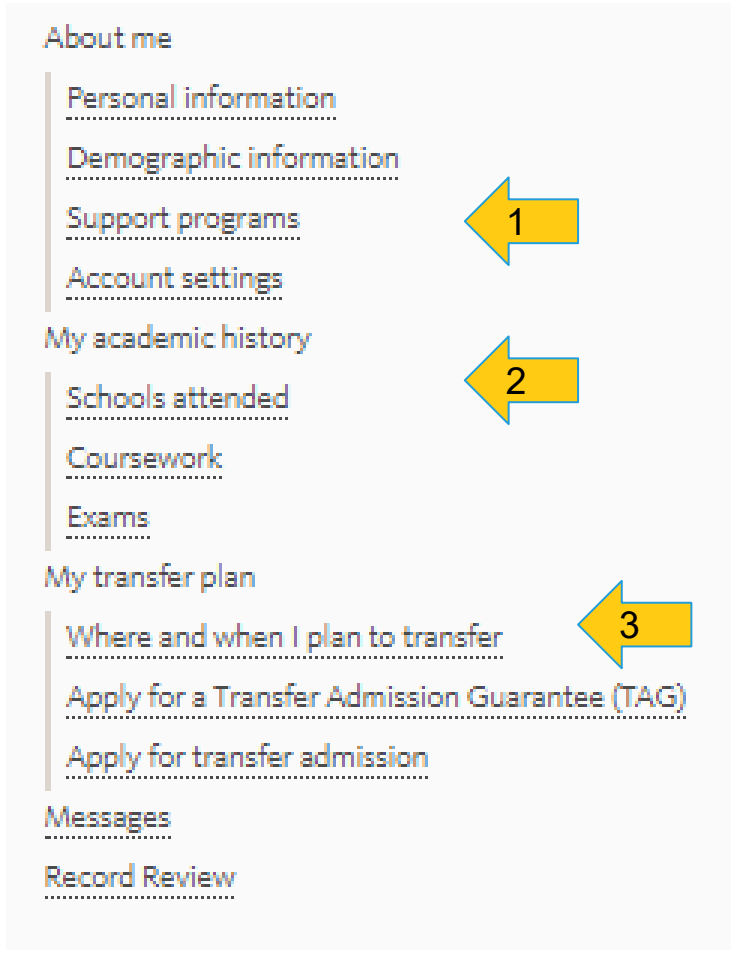
1. You can apply for a TAG at one campus (of the six that offers them).

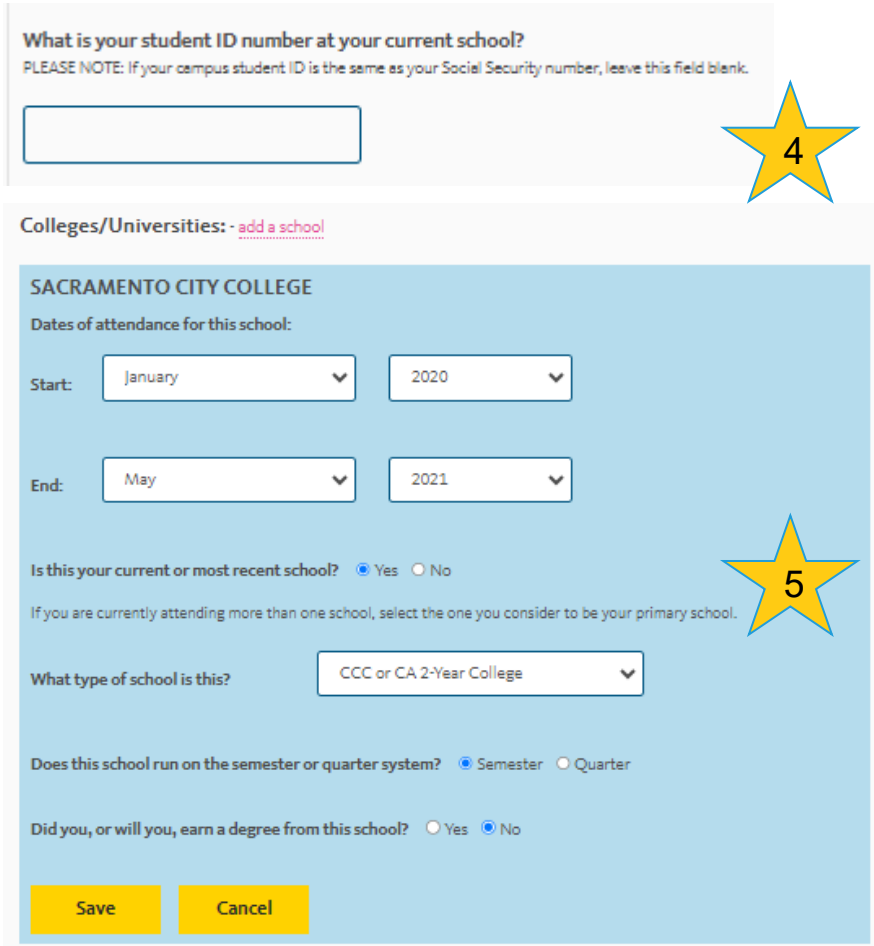
2. TAG applications must be submitted between September 1 to September 30, but begin the process now. Please update your TAP accounts to reflect all completed courses and grades. Fall 2023 courses must be listed as "in progress" and Spring 2024 courses must be listed as "planned."

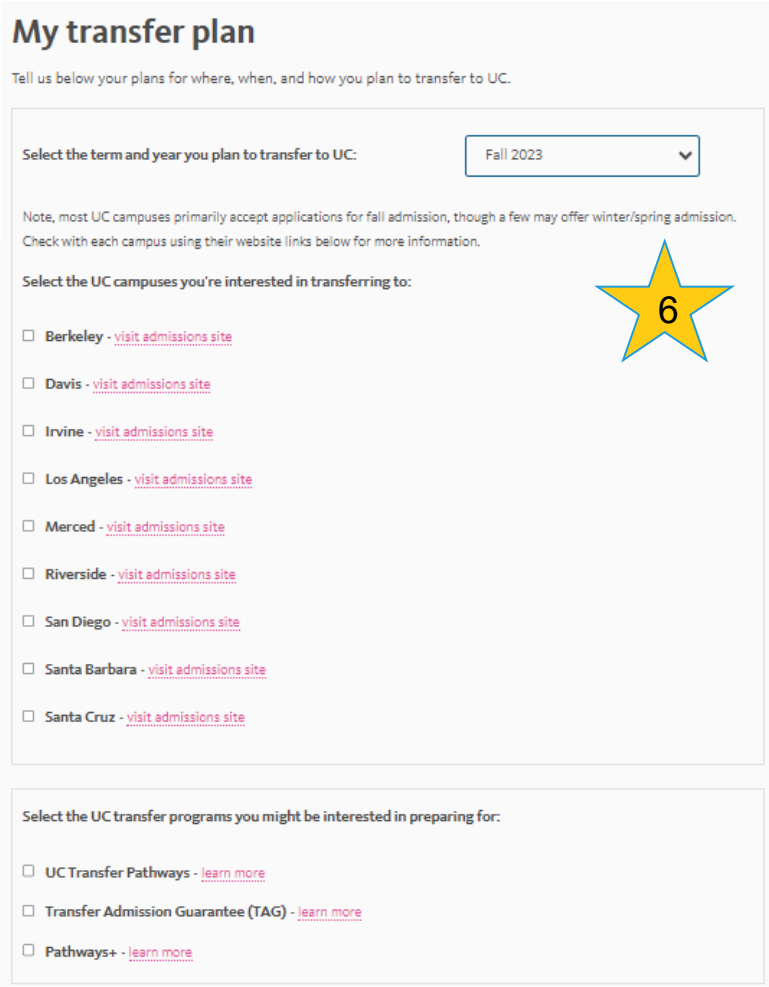
3. You must have at least 30 UC-transferable units completed at a California community college at the time that your TAG is submitted.

4. Each UC campus which offers the TAG will have their own specific criteria – including GPA and completion deadline for English and Math courses. Check the TAG matrix for campus specific requirements.

UC TAP for students







Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)

- Six participating campuses
- Each campus has different TAG requirements and majors offered
- Students may submit a TAG application to only one campus
  - Filing period: September 1-30
- Students must also submit UC application
  - Filing period: October 1 – November 30
- Majors must match between TAG and UC Application

UC DAVIS
UCSB
UC IRVINE
UC SANTA CRUZ
UC MERCED
UC RIVERSIDE

Systemwide 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)

TAG fall 2024: UC-English

UC Campus	UC-E Requirement
Davis	First course must be completed by the end of fall 2023, second course by the end of spring 2024
Irvine	First course must be completed by the end of summer 2023, second course by the end of spring 2024
Merced	First course must be completed by the end of fall 2023, second course by the end of spring 2024
Riverside	First course must be completed by the end of fall 2023, second course by the end of spring 2024
Santa Barbara	First course must be completed by the end of fall 2023, second course by the end of spring 2024
Santa Cruz	First course must be completed by the end of fall 2023, second course by the end of spring 2024

TAG fall 2024: UC-Math

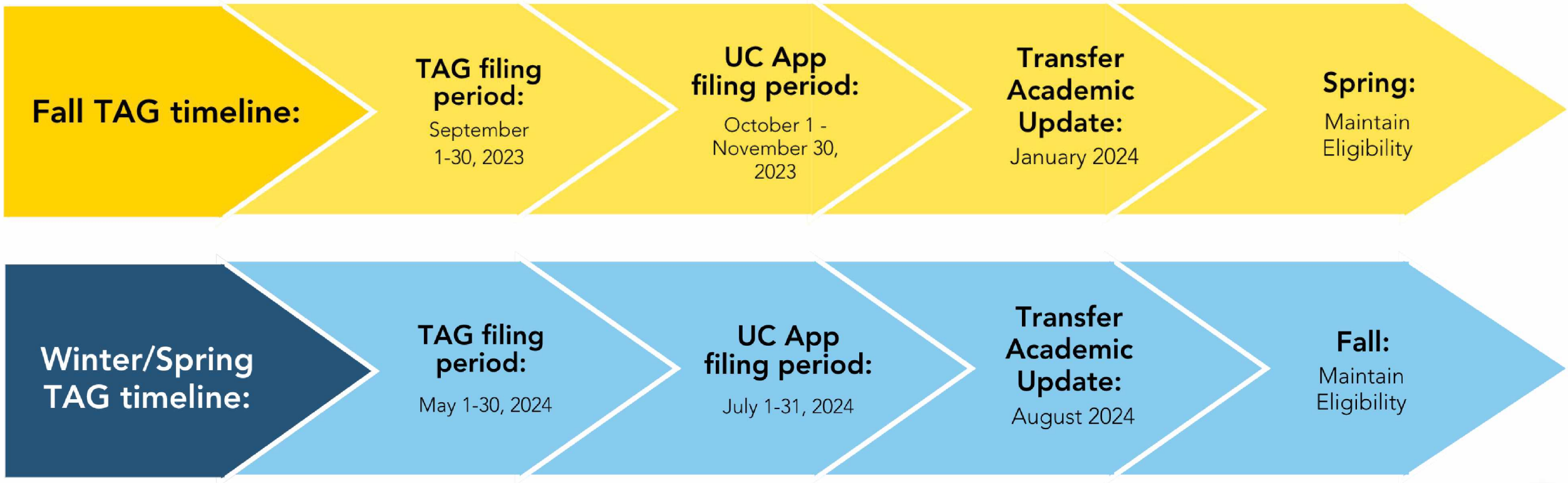
UC Campus	UC-M Requirement
Davis	Must be completed by the end of fall 2023
Irvine	Must be completed by the end of summer 2023
Merced	Must be completed by the end of fall 2023
Riverside	Must be completed by the end of fall 2023
Santa Barbara	Must be completed by the end of fall 2023
Santa Cruz	Must be completed by the end of fall 2023

TAG fall 2024: Overall GPA

UC Campus	GPA Requirement
Davis	Varies, 3.2 - 3.5 *by the end* of summer 2023
Irvine	3.4 *by the end* of summer 2023
Merced	Varies, 2.8 – 3.0 *by the end* of summer 2023
Riverside	Varies, 2.7 – 3.6 *by the end* of fall 2023
Santa Barbara	3.4 *by the end* of fall 2023
Santa Cruz	3.0 *by the end* of fall 2023

Note: Additional GPA and coursework requirements for some majors

TAG timeline for fall 2024 & winter/spring 2025



TAG Matrix

UC Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) for Students Applying for 2024-2025 Admission

Specific information about TAG at each of the six participating UC campuses is provided in the table below.

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	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 Decision release dates: Fall TAG: Nov 15th Spring TAG: July 1st	Accepted for fall; filing period: Sept. 1-30 Accepted for spring; filing period: May 1-31	Yes, provided all TAG requirements are completed.	Bioengineering (all emphases), Global Arts Studies Program, and Public Health. Subject to change.	UC Merced TAG (209) 228-7178 transfer@ucmerced.edu
Riverside	No	Accepted for fall; filing period: Sept. 1-30	Yes, provided all TAG requirements are completed.	For fall: Art Studio For winter: Art Studio, and other majors may be subject to	UC Riverside TAG (951) 827-3411 Admissions.ucr.edu/ask

Students are not eligible for TAG if they…

- Are senior-level transfers*
- Have already earned a bachelor's degree, graduate degree, and/or professional degree
- Are seeking readmission to their original UC campus
- Are a high school student

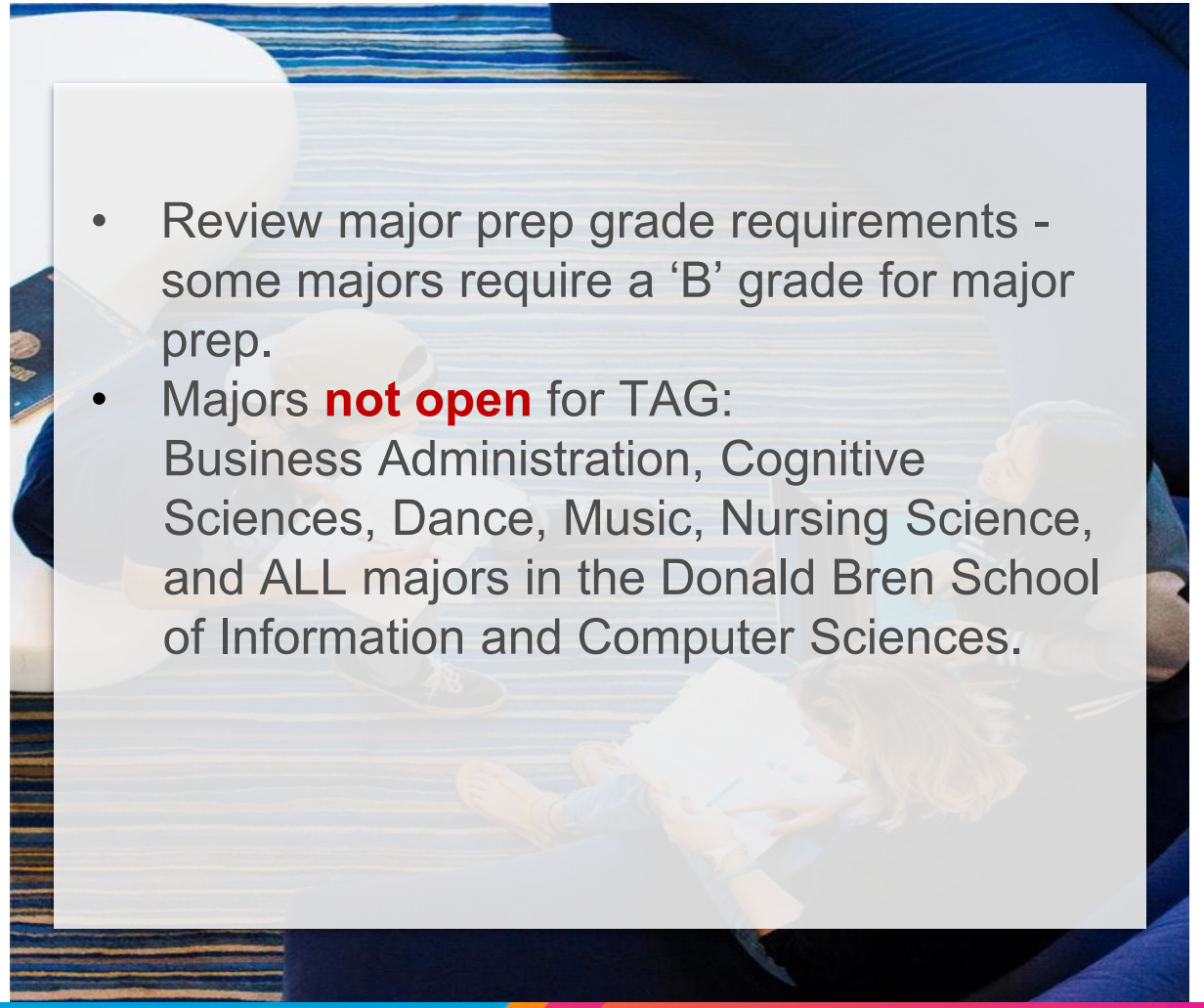
UC Davis

- Do not assume Honors-version of courses automatically articulate. Please always check ASSIST to verify correct class(es)
- Marine and Coastal Science is a cross-college major offered through three of our academic colleges. Students must select the appropriate major/college pairing:

Marine Ecology and Organismal Biology (College of Biological Science)* - SELECTIVE; specific GPA and course requirements are needed

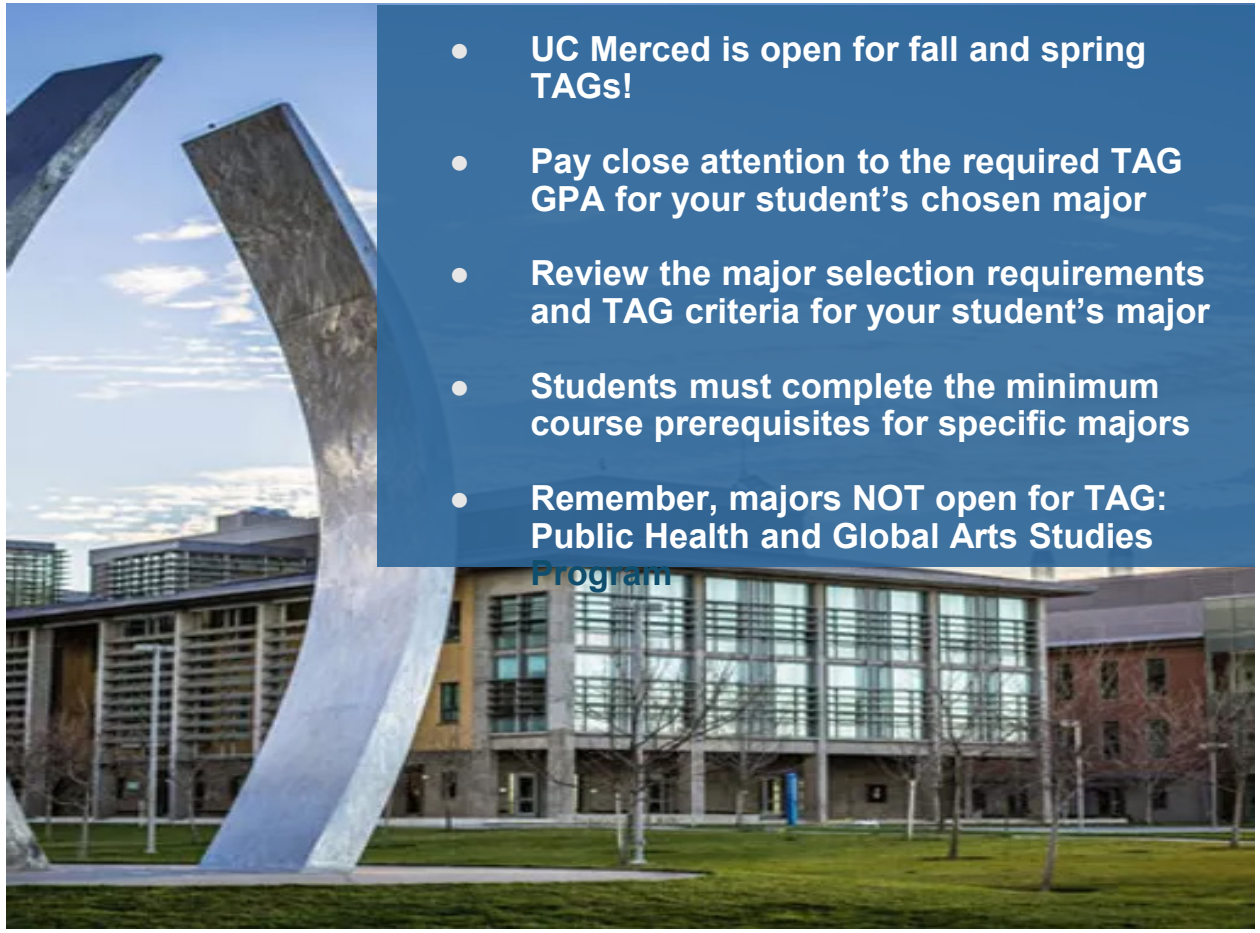
*TIP: Full-time enrollment is **strongly recommended**. Students who are enrolled part-time should provide an explanation in the 'Additional comments' in the TAG application.*

UC Irvine



- Review major prep grade requirements - some majors require a 'B' grade for major prep.
- Majors **not open** for TAG: Business Administration, Cognitive Sciences, Dance, Music, Nursing Science, and ALL majors in the Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences.

UC MERCED



- UC Merced is open for fall and spring TAGs!
- Pay close attention to the required TAG GPA for your student's chosen major
- Review the major selection requirements and TAG criteria for your student's major
- Students must complete the minimum course prerequisites for specific majors
- Remember, majors NOT open for TAG: Public Health and Global Arts Studies Program

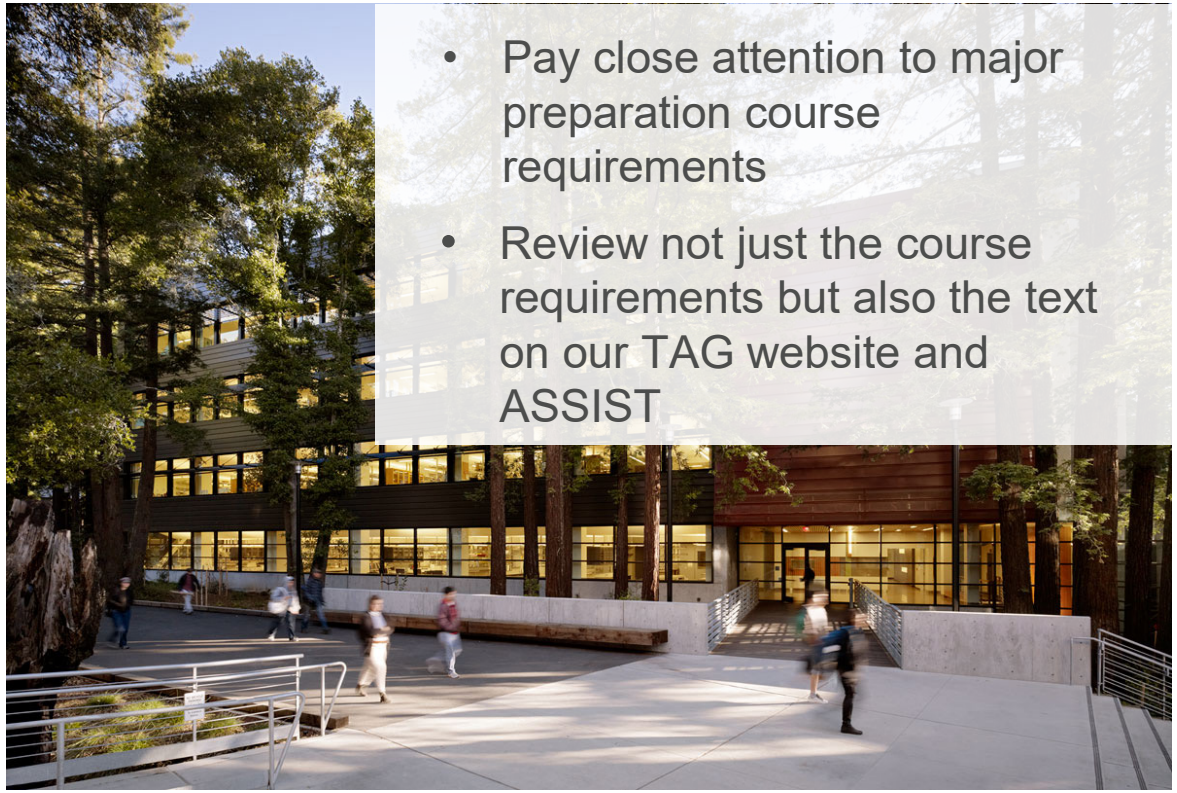
UC RIVERSIDE

- Open for fall and winter TAGs
- Winter majors open for TAG may vary
- Take note of the minimum TAG GPA for your students chosen major
- Review all TAG criteria for each students major including deadlines for completion of UC-E/UC-M/minimum math for major

UC SANTA BARBARA

- **3.4 overall GPA** is required for TAG applicants
- **Selective majors**: all majors in biological sciences, economics, mathematics, physics, and chemistry (Fall 2025)
- See ASSIST for course and GPA requirements in selective majors

UC SANTA CRUZ



- Pay close attention to major preparation course requirements
- Review not just the course requirements but also the text on our TAG website and ASSIST

Why are some TAG applications denied?

Common TAG mistakes:

UC-E, UC-M Deadlines

- UC-E, UC-M deadlines differ per campus

Missing a UC Application

- The TAG application ISN'T the UC application
- All TAG applicants must also submit a UC application under the same major

Missing required major pre-reqs

- TAG requirements also indicate that the student must meet their specific major requirements for some majors

Common TAG mistakes continued

Transfer Academic Update (TAU)

- TAU needs to be submitted as a requirement for regular transfer admission

Changes to in-progress or planned courses

- TAG applicants may make changes to their IP/PL courses in the TAU, but be careful!

Short units

- TAG requirements require that students must meet junior level transfer units

TAG frequently asked questions

My student submitted their TAG application, but now they want to change their major - can they still TAG?

No. If your student lists a different major on their UC application than their TAG application, then their TAG will become void.

Students that change their major will void their TAG application, but not their UC consideration.

My student was accepted into their TAG major but now wants to switch their major once they come to the UC, is this possible?

Changing majors is difficult to do as a junior level transfer student, and each UC and major department will have their own restrictions if switching majors is even possible.

Is TAG really a guarantee?

Yes - as long as all of the requirements are met.

If your student submits a TAG application and meets all of the conditions of the TAG, then they are guaranteed admission.

If your student submits their TAG application but does not meet all of the conditions of the TAG, then admission to the UC is not guaranteed.

What should my students do if they have different or updated coursework that is different from their TAG application?

- Provide their current course schedule in the UC Application
- Update grades and coursework in January through the UC Transfer Academic Update (TAU)
- Review the terms of the specific UC campus TAG requirements to ensure they're still meeting requirements

When will TAG decisions go out?

UC Campus	Terms in which TAG is accepted	Pre-evaluation of coursework?	Decision Release
Davis	Fall quarter only. Filing period Sept 1-30	Yes	Fall TAG Mid-November
Irvine	Fall quarter only. Filing period Sept 1-30	No	Mid-late April 2024
Merced	Fall; Filing period Sept 1-30 Spring; Filing period May 1-31	Yes	Fall TAG Nov. 15th Spring TAG - July 1st
Riverside	Fall; Filing period Sept 1-30 Winter; Filing period May 1-31	No	March-April 2024
Santa Barbara	Fall quarter only. Filing period Sept 1-30	No	Mid-late April 2024
Santa Cruz	Fall quarter only. Filing period Sept 1-30	No	Mid-late April 2024

Are all courses listed in Assist required to qualify for TAG?

It depends! Every UC has their own requirements, deadlines, and expectations for TAG, as well as their majors. It's important to check with a UC representative from that campus if you or your student are unsure.

Resources

- UC TAP:
  - Counselors: https://uctap.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/
  - Students: https://uctap.universityofcalifornia.edu/students/
- UC TAG: https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/transfer-requirements/uc-transfer-programs/transfer-admission-guarantee-tag.html
  - UC TAG matrix: https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/_files/documents/tag-matrix.pdf
- UC Application: https://apply.universityofcalifornia.edu/my-application/login
- ASSIST: www.assist.org
- UC resources for counselors https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/
- CCC-UC Transfer Task Force Final Report: https://www.ucop.edu/enrollment-services//data-and-reporting/ccc-uc-transfer-task-force-final-report-2022.pdf

Thank you