**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA**

# TRANSFER ROADMAP TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

## FOR CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS

**Congratulations!** You've already made a good decision to enroll at a community college.

Did you know almost one-third of undergraduates at the University of California (UC) transferred from a California community college? Or that most transfer students graduate within two years and one quarter once enrolling at UC? No matter which UC campus you choose, you'll find a supportive community and hundreds of programs to help you make the most of your college experience. UC is here to help you achieve your transfer goals.

As a transfer student you will:

- Pay less for your bachelor's degree
- Complete coursework towards your UC degree
- Spend less time at UC earning your bachelor's degree
- Have the option to guarantee your admission to one of six campuses offering a Transfer Admission Guarantee

**STEP 1**

**CREATE A UC TRANSFER ADMISSION PLANNER (UC TAP) ACCOUNT AT: UCAL.US/UCTAP**

**BENEFIT:**
- Keep track of your transfer coursework, and calculate your UC transferable units and UC GPA.
- Receive individualized advising from UC representatives.
- Receive invitations to UC events for transfer students.
- Import your academic history directly from your TAP account into your UC admissions application.

**STEP 2**

**CONNECT EARLY WITH COUNSELORS AT YOUR COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**BENEFIT:** Participate in programs and learning communities to advise and support you as you prepare to transfer to UC. Some options are:

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| Transfer Center | Umoja Community |
| CalWorks | MESA |
| Veterans Center | EOPS |
| Puente | Undocumented Student and Dream Centers |

## STEP 3

**START TAKING THE REQUIRED UC-TRANSFERABLE ENGLISH (UC-E) AND MATH (UC-M) COURSES EARLY**

**BENEFIT:** Be more competitive for admission by completing UC-E and UC-M courses as early as possible.

**TIP:** Complete both UC-E and UC-M courses by the end of the fall term in which you apply.

## STEP 4

**DECIDE ON A MAJOR AND COMPLETE COURSES REQUIRED FOR THAT MAJOR.**

**BENEFIT:** Improve your chances for admission by completing all required major prerequisite courses.

**TIP:** Transfer Pathways majors prepare you for all nine undergraduate campuses that offer that major. For more information on UC Transfer Pathways, visit: ucal.us/transferpathways

**TIP:** If your major is not listed as a UC Transfer Pathway, refer to assist.org to identify the specific list of UC campus requirements offered at your community college.

**TIP:** If your community college does not offer a required major prerequisite, look for the course at another community college or online.

## STEP 5

**CONSIDER TRANSFER ADMISSION GUARANTEE (TAG) OPTIONS OFFERED AT SIX UC CAMPUSES**

**BENEFIT:** Guarantee your major and campus by completing a TAG. For more information on the TAG program and requirements, visit: ucal.us/tagchart.

Campuses offering a TAG:

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| UC Davis | UC Riverside |
| UC Irvine | UC Santa Barbara |
| UC Merced | UC Santa Cruz |

**TIP:** Pursuing a Pathways major? The Pathways+ option prepares you to be a strong applicant with the security of a guaranteed place at UC via a campus-based TAG. ucal.us/pathwaysplus

## STEP 6

**COMPLETE THE INTERSEGMENTAL GENERAL EDUCATION TRANSFER CURRICULUM (IGETC) PATTERN OF COURSES IF APPROPRIATE FOR YOUR MAJOR**

**BENEFIT:** Satisfy lower-division general education requirements for most UC majors by completing the full UC IGETC pattern of courses.

**TIP:** Prioritize lower-division major preparation at your community college rather than focusing on completing the full IGETC pattern of courses.

**TIP:** Not every major recommends or accepts IGETC. For more information on IGETC recommendations, see ucal.us/igetc

## STEP 7

**APPLY FOR UC ADMISSION AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

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| Sept. 1–30: | TAG submission period |
| Oct. 1: | FAFSA and CA Dream Act application open |
| Oct. 1–Nov. 30: | UC application submission period for fall admission |

**TIP:** Some campuses and majors are open for transfer applicants in the winter quarter/spring semester. Check the website for the most current application dates and open majors. ucal.us/apply