
ADMISSION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

2021-22

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Overview

- Overview of system and application
- First-year admission
- Transfer admission
- The value of UC
- Resources



We are California

With nine amazing campuses, you can't go wrong.

From the program, to the setting, to the vibe: each of our nine campuses has something different to offer. But no matter which campus you choose, you'll find a culture of academic excellence, and fellow students and faculty who'll inspire you every day.

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Applying to UC

August 1: UC application available online

November 1-30: UC application filing period

Application Fees: \$70 U.S. students

\$80 International students

*Fee waivers (In UC application, NACAC, College Board –
Note only one can be used)*

Reminder: UC does **not** participate in
Early Action or Early Decision programs



Choosing a UC campus

- What campus environment am I looking for?
 - Urban/Suburban/Rural?
 - Large/Medium/Small?
 - Do I want to live on campus?
 - Is there a large graduate student population and is that important to me?
- How important is it for me to be close to home?
- What campuses have the major I'm interested in?
- What career assistance is available to me for the careers I'm interested in?



UC supports all students

First-generation	Transfer
Veterans	Students with Dependents
Students with Disabilities	LGBTQ+
Undocumented/DACA	Traditionally Underrepresented
Guardian Scholars (foster and former foster youth)	Underground Scholars (formerly incarcerated/system impacted)



First-year/Freshman admission



First-year/Freshman admission

Who is a first-year/freshman applicant?



- In high school or graduated
- May take college courses while in high school
- Allowed to take college classes the summer after high school graduation

Subject requirements (A-G)

A-G Requirements

Complete 15 A-G courses with grades C or better

A: History
2 years required



B: English
4 years required



C: Mathematics
3 years required
(4 years recommended)



D: Science
2 years required
(3 years recommended)



E: Language other than English
2 years required
(3 years recommended)



F: Visual and Performing Arts
1 year required



G: College-Preparatory Elective

1 year required



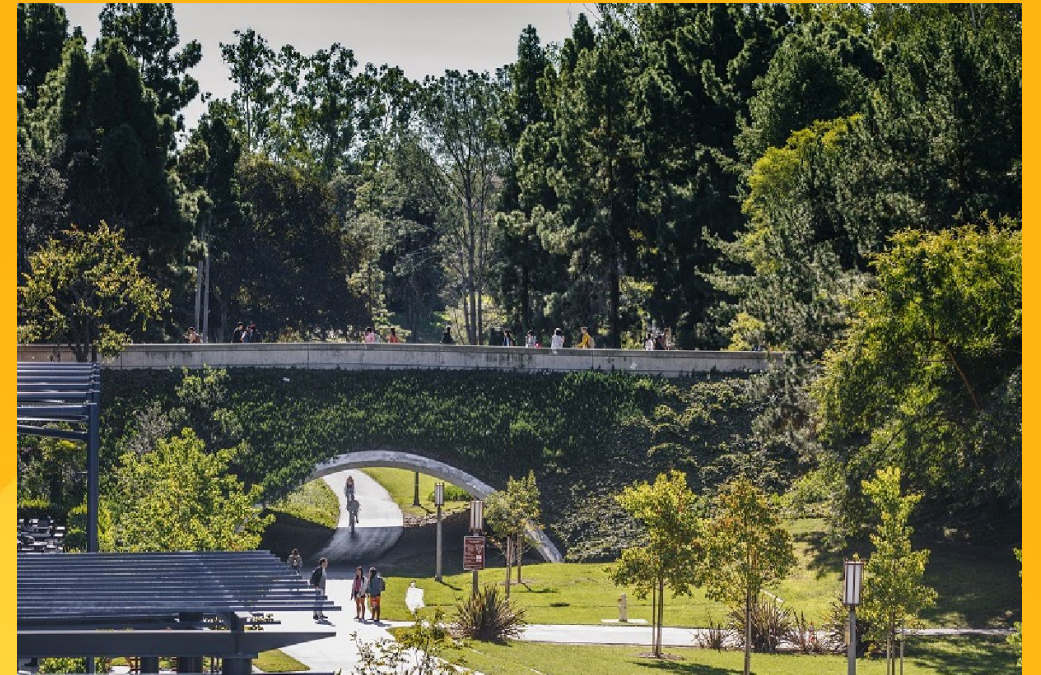
GPA requirement

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT

- CA residents: **3.0**
- Nonresidents: **3.4**
- Calculated from A-G courses in 10th & 11th grades (includes summer)

COVID-19 SEMESTERS

- Pass/CR grades OK in A-G courses completed in Winter 2020- Summer 2021
- Pass/CR grades not factored into GPA



Eligibility in the Local Context (ELC)

- California resident
- Attend an eligible, participating California high school
 - Located in CA
 - Have a College Board school code
 - Have a full list of UC-approved courses for the most recent academic year
- Complete 11 of 15 required A-G courses by beginning of senior year
- Earn a UC GPA that meets or exceeds schools' benchmark GPA
- Complete remaining A-G courses by end of senior year
- UC application automatically indicates ELC status



Selection

Applicant Pool

Academic Factors

Comprehensive Review

Note: Selection is a campus-specific decision, and selection practices vary by campus



Comprehensive Review

Academic Accomplishments

- GPA
- Performance and number of A-G courses
- Eligibility in the local context (ELC)
- UC approved AP and Honors courses

Personal Achievements

- Talents, achievements and awards
- Participation in educational preparation programs
- Achievements in special projects
- Academic accomplishments within life experience

Criteria include these categories which campuses may use. For an explanation of all 13 criteria, visit <https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/applying-as-a-freshman/how-applications-are-reviewed.html>

Comprehensive Review practices vary by campus.

Transfer Admission



Transfer Admission

Who is a transfer applicant?



Selection

Requirements

- 7 course pattern
 - UC-E and UC-M
- 60 semester/90 quarter UC-transferable units
- 2.4 GPA (CA)/2.8 GPA (nonresidents)

Selection

- Major preparation
- Competitive GPA
- IGETC (not required for UC admission)

Comprehensive Review

ACADEMIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- UC transferable coursework
- Required & recommended major preparation
- Selective academic college programs
- Competitive cumulative & major prep GPA
- Completion of a UC transfer program, IGETC &/or ADT degree

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Participation in UC-sponsored programs
- Internships, leadership & work experience
- Special talents, achievements & awards
- Special projects, clubs, research & volunteer work

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Academic accomplishments in context of life experiences & circumstances
- Location of the college & residence

Pass/Credit Maximum

UC suspended the cap on Pass and Credit grades earned in winter 2020 - spring 2021

All P and CR grades earned in winter 2020 - spring 2021 are excluded from the maximum 14 semester/21 quarter unit maximum

Pass/Credit for Major Prep

All campuses agreed to accept Pass or Credit grades earned in Spring 2020 for major prep courses for all majors except Psychology and Cognitive Science majors at Santa Cruz

Students should check with each campus regarding the usage of Pass or Credit grades for major prep courses beyond Spring 2020

Pass/Credit for UC-E or UC-M

Pass or credit grades can be used for UC-E and UC-M requirements if a Pass or Credit grade is equivalent to a "C" or better

Some UC's may require "B" or better grades in UC-E courses to demonstrate English proficiency. Students should check with each campus directly.

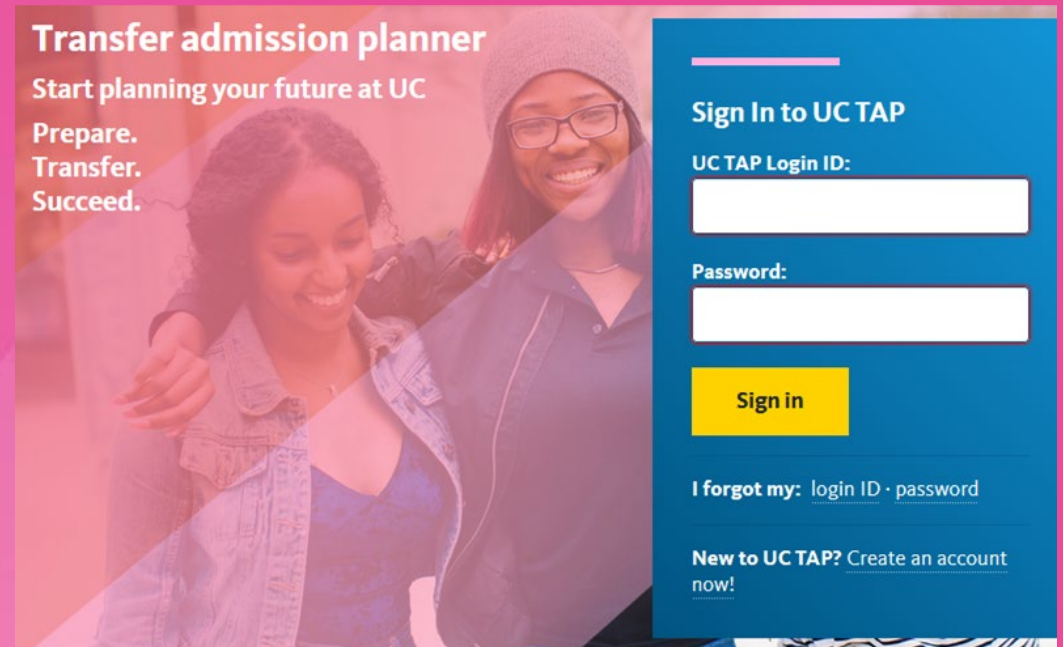
Transfer Admission Planner (TAP) - Overview

Who is it for?

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

When should students create a TAP account?

- The sooner the better!



Transfer Admission Planner (TAP) - Benefits

- Students receive communication regarding upcoming events/visits from **UC representatives** and **community college counselors**
- Allows counselors to track student progress towards meeting admission requirements
- Easy course transfer from TAP account to UC Application
- Central recordkeeping for students who have attended multiple CCCs
- Required for TAG!



Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)

- Guarantee to a *specific major* at 1 of 6 campuses offering TAG agreements
- Filing period September 1-30 (must also complete a UC application in November!)
- Hundreds of major options available!

UC Davis

UC Irvine

UC
Merced

UC
Riverside

UC Santa
Barbara

UC Santa
Cruz

TAG Eligibility

Complete **30**
UC-
transferable
semester units
by **Sept. 30**



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



Complete **UC-E**
and **UC-M**



Meet **GPA**
criteria (2.7 –
3.5; Varies by
campus/major)



Review
campus **major**
requirements

Transfer Pathways and Pathways+

Pathways = Core set of common courses acceptable for the Pathway major at ANY UC campus offering that major

Pathways+ = Pathways major + TAG



The value of a UC education



What is UC's New Tuition Policy – Tuition Stability Plan?

Things to know:

- A multiyear plan that sets systemwide tuition and fees for undergraduates based on the initial year of enrollment
- The set systemwide tuition should remain at the same level for the duration of their college career, or up to six academic years (which ever comes first).
- This policy applies to in-state and out-of-state systemwide tuition levels for undergraduates.
- Systemwide tuition for California resident students entering fall 2022 will be about \$13,104 (a 4.2% increase over current the current systemwide tuition).
- For classes entering after fall 2022 systemwide tuition will be assessed using inflation as a factor. Tuition increases may not exceed five percent.

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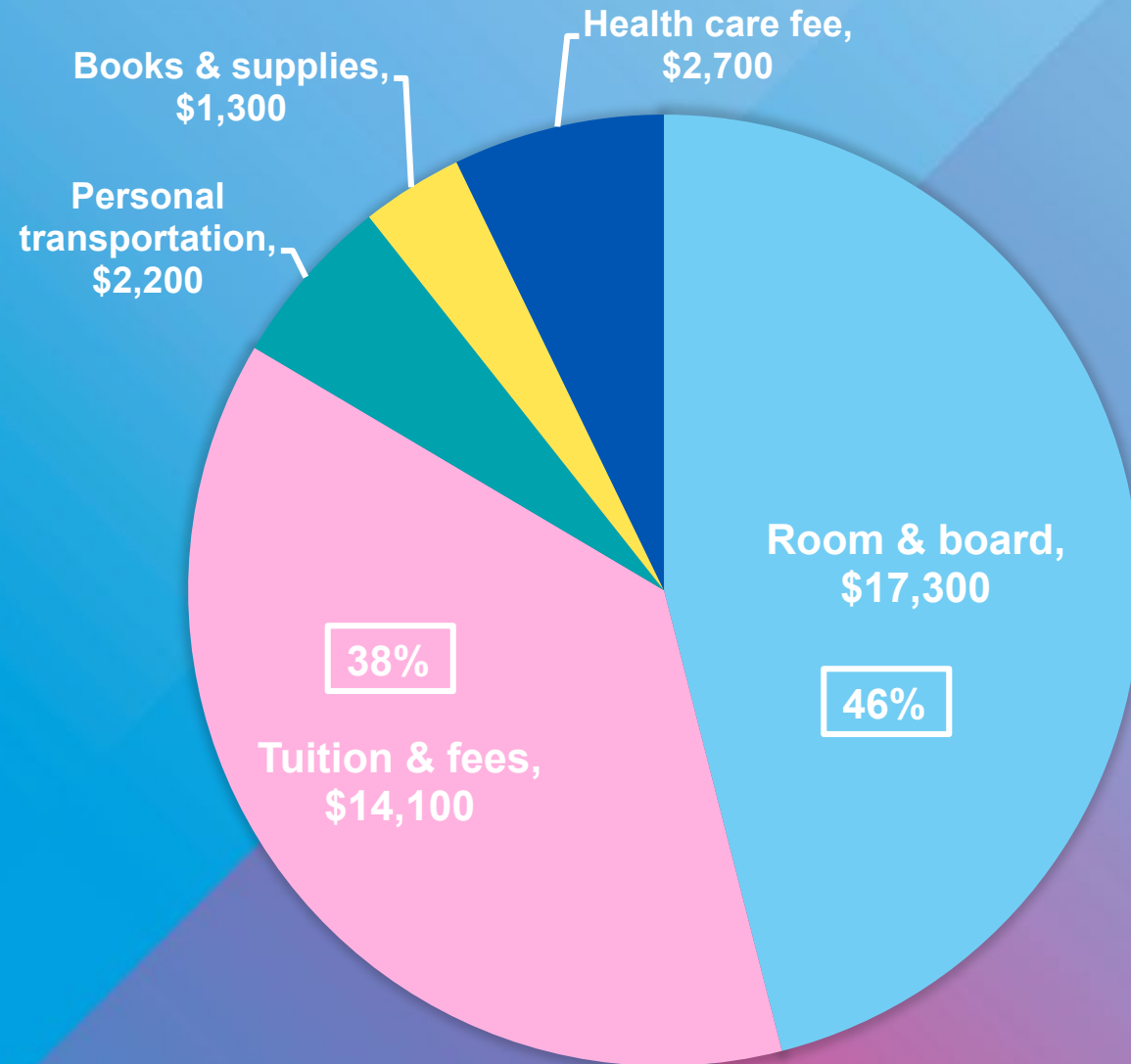
This plan helps students and families:

- Minimizes unexpected increases in tuition
- Allows UC to provide more financial aid support to its low-income undergraduates for non-fee costs (books, food, housing).
- Assures that UC will continue to be able to provide a world-class education with a focus on enrolling more California students from all backgrounds and economic means.

The value of a UC education

LIVING ON CAMPUS: \$37,600

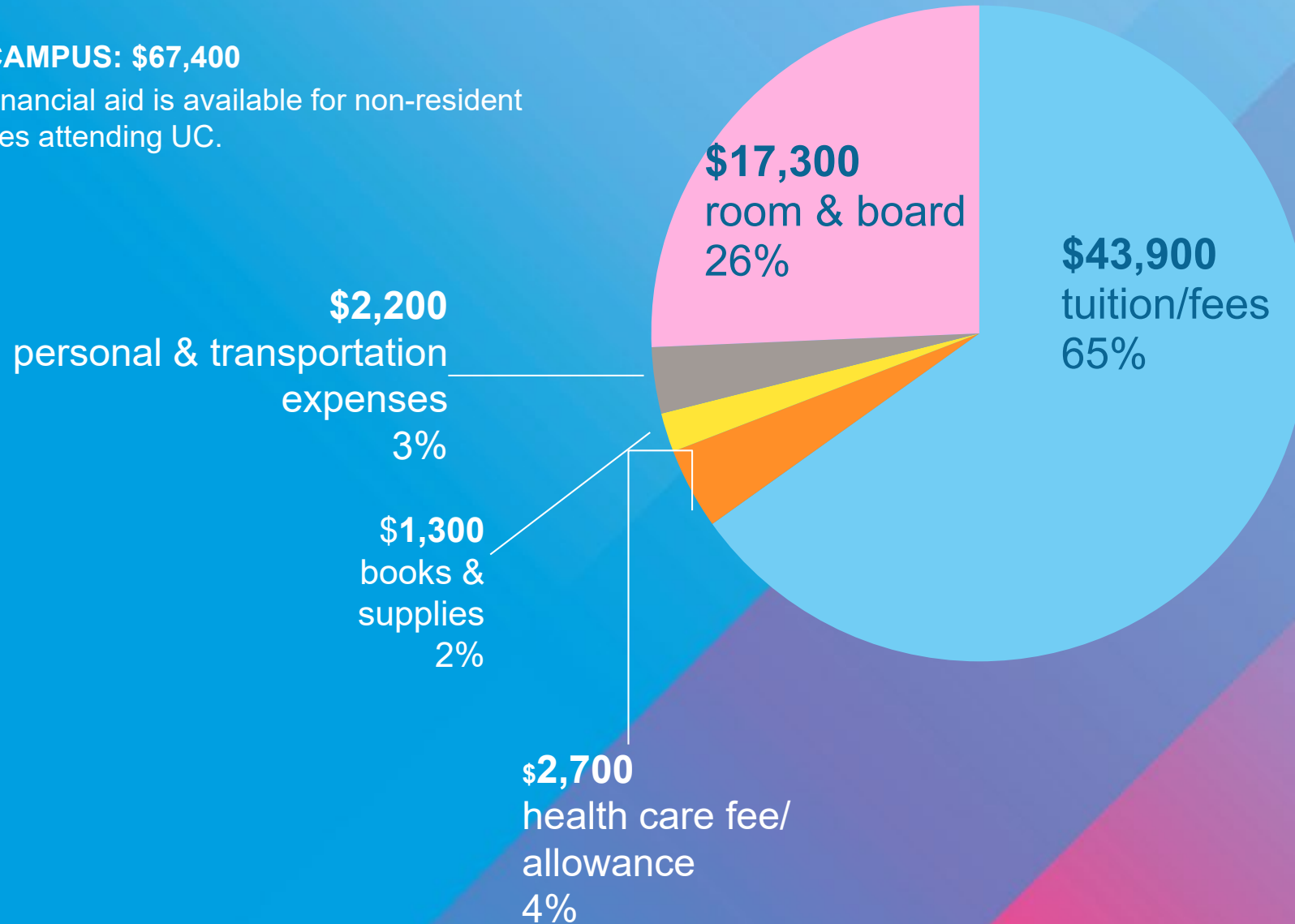
Most students do not pay the full cost of attendance.



Non-Resident Cost of Attendance 2021-22

LIVING ON CAMPUS: \$67,400

Very limited financial aid is available for non-resident undergraduates attending UC.



The value of a UC education for California students

49%

Have no debt

55%

Pay \$0 tuition

71%

Get grants and
scholarships

The value of a UC education – Debt comparison on graduation



National average \$30,100

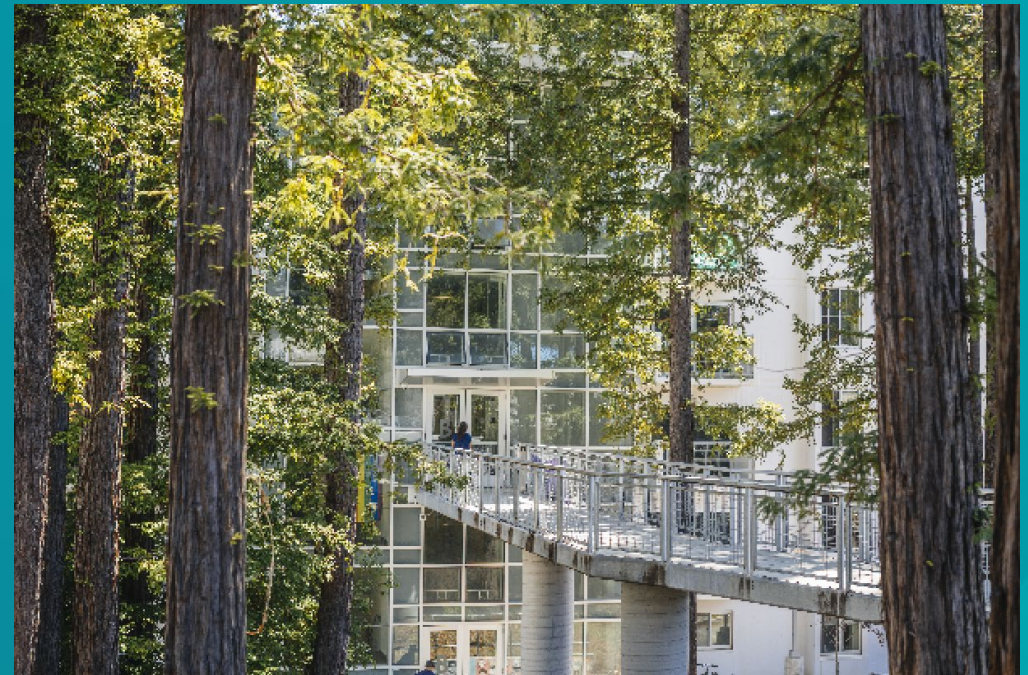


UC average \$21,018

The value of a UC education – Return on investment

ROI (Return on Investment)	CAR	UC EDUCATION
Amount Borrowed	\$21,870	\$21,018
Cost to own over 5 years <u>vs.</u> Student loan payments & Interest	\$26,863	\$13,080
Total Cost at 5 years	\$48,733	\$13,080
Value After 5 Years <u>vs.</u> Avg. earnings over 5 years	\$12,815	\$202,580
ROI (Value/Earnings after 5 years – Total Cost at 5 years)	\$(35,918)	\$189,500

Resources



Resources

GENERAL ADMISSION INFORMATION

admission.universityofcalifornia.edu

UC ADMISSION SELECTION PROCESS FOR FRESHMAN

admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/applying-as-a-freshman/how-applications-are-reviewed.html

UC ADMISSION SELECTION PROCESS FOR TRANSFERS

admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/applying-as-a-transfer/how-applications-are-reviewed.html

Resources – General

PERSONAL INSIGHT QUESTIONS

First-year/Freshman:

admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/applying-as-a-freshman/personal-insight-questions.html

Transfer:

admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/applying-as-a-transfer/personal-insight-questions.html

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/how-to-apply/index.html

UC TRANSFER PATHWAYS

admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/transfer-requirements/uc-transfer-programs/transfer-pathways/

ASSIST

www.assist.org

Resources – UC Office of Admissions Counselor Pages



Campus	Phone	Email
UC Berkeley:	(510) 642-3175	https://admissions.berkeley.edu/counselors-colleagues
UC Davis:	(530) 752-2971	https://www.ucdavis.edu/admissions/undergraduate/counselors
UC Irvine:	(949) 824-6703	https://admissions.uci.edu/counselors.php
UCLA:	(310) 825-3101	https://admission.ucla.edu/contact/admission-counselors
UC Merced:	(209) 228-4400	https://admissions.ucmerced.edu/information/counselors-educators
UC Riverside:	(951) 827-3411	https://admissions.ucr.edu/contact
UC San Diego:	(858) 534-4831	https://admissions.ucsd.edu/counselors/index.html
UC Santa Barbara:	(805) 893-2881	https://admissions.sa.ucsb.edu/counselor-resources
UC Santa Cruz	(831) 459-4008	https://admissions.ucsc.edu/apply/counselors/

Resources – Transfer major preparation websites by campus

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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
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/apply/transfer-students/major-prep.html
San Diego	https://admissions.ucsd.edu/transfer/transfer-major-preparation.html

Resources – Financial Aid contacts



Campus	Phone	Email
UC Berkeley:	(510) 664-9181	https://financialaid.berkeley.edu/contact-us/
UC Davis:	(530) 752-2396	https://my.ucdavis.edu/ask_us/
UC Irvine:	(949) 824-8262	https://www.ofas.uci.edu/contact-us/index.php
UCLA:	(310) 206-0400	https://financialaid.ucla.edu/contact-us
UC Merced:	(209) 228-7178	https://financialaid.ucmerced.edu/contact_us
UC Riverside:	(951) 827-3878	https://financialaid.ucr.edu/help
UC San Diego:	(858) 534-4480	https://fas.ucsd.edu/
UC Santa Barbara:	(805) 893-2432	https://www.finaid.ucsb.edu/contact-us
UC Santa Cruz	(831) 459-2963	https://financialaid.ucsc.edu/about-us/contact_information.html

Resources – Residence Deputy contacts



Campus	Phone	Email
UC Berkeley:	(510) 664-9181	orres@berkeley.edu
UC Davis:	(530) 752-3639	residencedeputy@ucdavis.edu
UC Irvine:	(949) 824-6124	regres@uci.edu
UCLA:	(310) 825-3447	residencedeputy@registrar.ucla.edu
UC Merced:	(209) 228-7178	registrar@ucmerced.edu
UC Riverside:	(951) 827-7284	reshelp@ucr.edu
UC San Diego:	(858) 534-3150	residencedeputy@ucsd.edu
UC Santa Barbara:	(805) 893-3592	residency@sa.ucsb.edu
UC Santa Cruz	(831) 459-2709	reg-residency@ucsc.edu

Resources – Housing contacts

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Campus	Phone	Email
UC Berkeley:	(510) 642-4108	reshall@berkeley.edu
UC Davis:	(530) 752-2033	studenthousing@ucdavis.edu
UC Irvine:	(949) 824-681	housing@uci.edu
UCLA:	(310) 206-7011	uclahousing@housing.ucla.edu
UC Merced:	(209) 228-4663	housing@ucmerced.edu
UC Riverside:	(951) 827-6350	housinginfo@ucr.edu
UC San Diego:	(858) 534-4010	housinginfo@ucsd.edu
UC Santa Barbara:	(805) 893-2760	housinginfor@housing.ucsb.edu
UC Santa Cruz	(831) 459-2394	housing@ucsc.edu

Resources – COVID-19 campus updates



Campus	Website
UC Berkeley:	https://coronavirus.berkeley.edu/
UC Davis:	https://www.ucdavis.edu/coronavirus
UC Irvine:	https://uci.edu/coronavirus/
UCLA:	https://covid-19.ucla.edu/
UC Merced:	https://doyourpart.ucmerced.edu/
UC Riverside:	https://ehs.ucr.edu/coronavirus
UC San Diego:	https://communication.ucsd.edu/about/covid.html
UC Santa Barbara:	https://www.ucsb.edu/COVID-19-information/dashboard
UC Santa Cruz	https://admissions.ucsc.edu/coronavirus.html
UC Office of the President	https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/coronavirus