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APPLICATION FILING PERIODS

FALL QUARTER:

November 1–30

WINTER QUARTER:

July 1–31*

APPLYING FOR ADMISSION

You may apply to UC Santa Cruz online by completing the University of California application at: www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/undergrad_adm/apply_to_uc.html.

Paper applications are only available as a PDF through the UC Office of the President admissions web site (see URL above). If you do not have web access or are unable to download and print an application, e-mail ucinfo@ucapplication.net, or call UC Santa Cruz Office of Admissions, (831) 459-4008, and a printed copy of the application will be mailed to you. Both applications, electronic and paper, explain the filing process,

***Note:** Check the admissions web site at admissions.ucsc.edu in June to see whether applications will be accepted and/or if restrictions apply to winter-quarter applicants. UCSC does not typically accept applications for spring quarter.

fees, and all information you must submit with your application. To ensure that you will be considered for admission to the university, you must file your application during the appropriate filing period shown at left.

FINANCIAL AID

All students concerned about their ability to meet educational costs should file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This application form is available at the financial aid office at any college or university and on the web at www.fafsa.ed.gov. The form is used to determine your eligibility for grants, part-time work-study, employment, and need-based loans. California residents should also submit a GPA Verification Form to be considered for the Cal Grant program.

The priority deadline for submitting financial aid applications is March 2. This deadline applies to applicants for winter quarter as well as fall quarter. Funds will be awarded to late applicants on a funds-available basis. Financial aid web site: www2.ucsc.edu/fin-aid.

GUARANTEED ADMISSION FOR TRANSFER ENTRY (GATE)

UC Santa Cruz's GATE Program is designed for California community college transfer students at the junior level. To apply for the GATE Program, students planning to transfer must: (1) have completed a minimum of 30 UC-transferable semester units (45 quarter units) of course work at the time of application; (2) have fewer than 20 semester units (30 quarter units) completed at a four-year institution; (3) have at least a 3.00 GPA; and (4) be enrolled at a participating California community college.

The benefits of participating in the GATE Program include early review of your academic records; early notification that your admission to UC Santa Cruz is guaranteed (subject to the conditions of the program); and opportunities for advising about major preparation, general education, and/or IGETC requirements.

With the help of their community college advisers, GATE students complete an agreement listing courses they will take to fulfill university requirements. All California community colleges have been invited to participate in the GATE Program, and UC Santa Cruz currently has GATE agreements with nearly all of the California community colleges. If you are interested in GATE, contact your community college

transfer center or counseling office for information about application procedures and deadlines. GATE offers guaranteed admission for fall quarter only.

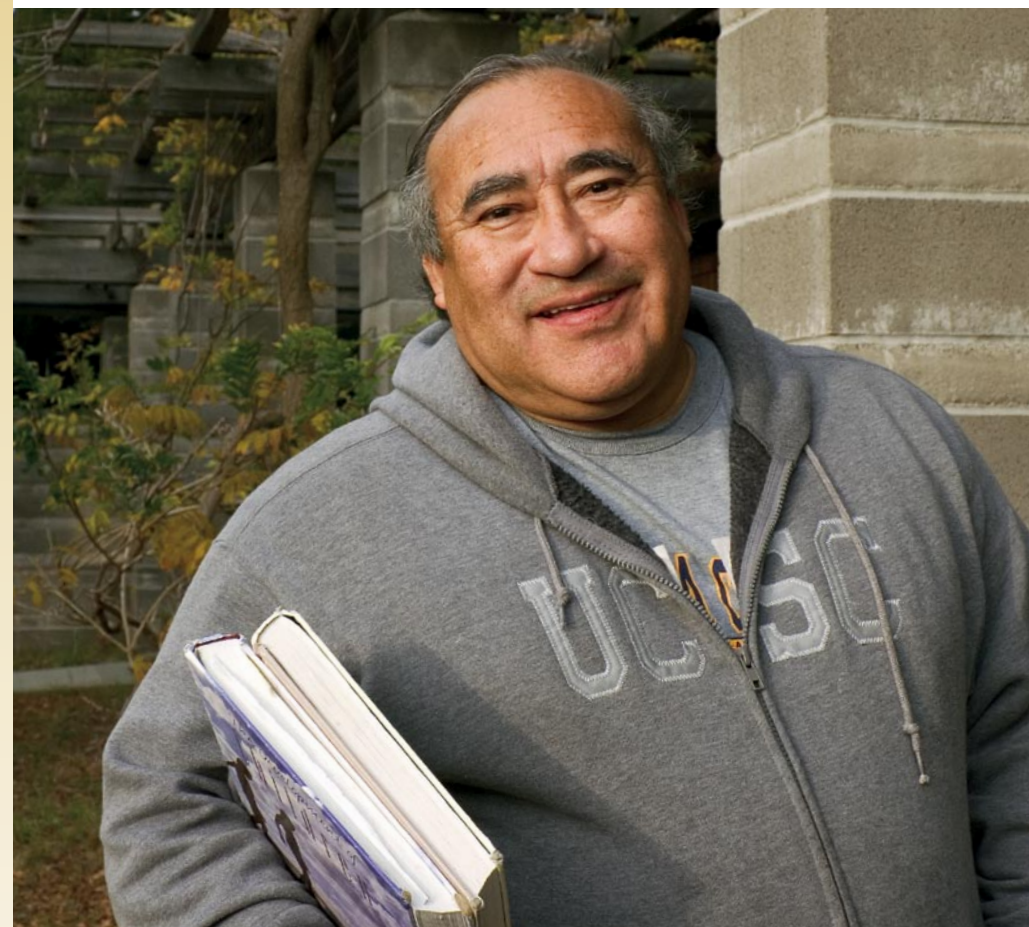
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Comprehensive articulation information, including transferable course agreements (TCAs) for all California community colleges, is available on the ASSIST web site: www.assist.org. ASSIST provides access to the most current articulation agreements among UC, CSU, and California community colleges. In addition to TCAs, ASSIST includes information about credit for general education/breadth requirements, major preparation, and IGETC. Articulation agreements may be updated throughout the year, so check ASSIST periodically to ensure that you have the most current information about transfer credit.

CAMPUS TOURS AND WORKSHOPS

Student-led campus tours are offered year-round on weekdays and selected Saturdays. The Office of Admissions also offers workshops for prospective transfer students. Reservations for both tours and workshops are required. To make reservations, please go to admissions.ucsc.edu/campustours. To speak with an adviser, call (831) 459-4008.

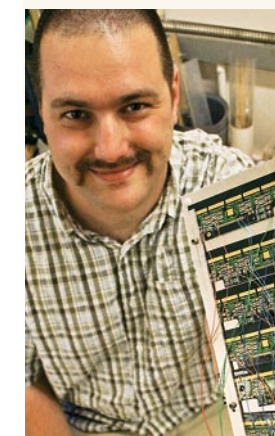
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Transfer Admission & Selection 2007–08



The admission and selection process for transfer students to UC Santa Cruz reflects the academic rigor and preparation needed for admission to a major research institution. UC Santa Cruz selects eligible transfer students who have met and exceeded the eligibility requirements outlined in this document. With careful planning, you can select courses that will meet the university's requirements, prepare for a proposed major, and meet UC Santa Cruz general education and graduation requirements.





Establishing Eligibility

California Residents

To be eligible for admission to UC as a transfer student, you must fulfill both of the following criteria. Keep in mind that meeting these requirements may not be sufficient to gain admission to the campus or to the major of your choice.

1. Complete at least 60 semester units or 90 quarter units of UC-transferable college credit with a grade-point average (GPA) of at least 2.40. No more than 14 semester/21 quarter units may be taken on a pass/not pass basis.
2. Complete the following course pattern requirements, earning a grade of C or better in each course:
 - ▶ Two UC-transferable college courses (3 semester or 4–5 quarter units each) in English composition; and
 - ▶ One UC-transferable college course (3 semester or 4–5 quarter units) in mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning; and
 - ▶ Four UC-transferable college courses (3 semester or 4–5 quarter units each) chosen from at least two of the following subject areas: the arts and humanities, the social and behavioral sciences, and the physical and biological sciences.

If you satisfy the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC, see facing page) prior to transferring to UC, you may satisfy part 2 of the

transfer admission requirements. If you were eligible for admission to the university when you graduated from high school—meaning you satisfied the Subject (“a-g” courses), Scholarship (GPA and test scores), and Examination Requirements, or were identified by the university during your senior year as Eligible in the Local Context—you are eligible for transfer if you have a C (2.00) average in your UC-transferable course work.

If you met the Scholarship Requirement in high school but did not satisfy the Subject Requirement, you must take UC-transferable college courses in the missing subjects, earn a C or better in each required course, and have an overall C (2.00) average in all transferable course work to be eligible to transfer.

Nonresidents

The minimum admission requirements for nonresident transfer applicants are the same, except that nonresidents must have a grade-point average of 2.80 or higher in all UC-transferable college course work.

Deadline for Establishing Eligibility

UC Santa Cruz requires that transfer eligibility be established by the end of the spring term 2007 for students applying for fall 2007. Students who plan to complete the required courses in English composition and mathematics in spring 2007 must have demonstrated adequate preparation in the related prerequisite course work. If any of the prerequisites are met through a placement exam, this information should be noted in the personal statement portion of the application.

No more than two courses may be completed in a summer term

prior to fall transfer if those units are needed to reach the 60 semester/90 quarter unit minimum needed for eligibility. Courses to meet the English composition requirement, mathematics requirement, and other four-course requirement may not be completed in the summer term prior to fall transfer.

For winter 2008 applicants, all admission requirements must be completed no later than the end of the fall 2007 term. Please note that UC Santa Cruz is not always open to winter-quarter applicants. (See “Application Filing Periods” on the back of this document.)

Selection Criteria

Once they have established eligibility for admission, students will be selected primarily on the basis of academic performance and preparation, as assessed by a thorough review of the following: GPA in all UC-transferable courses; completion of and performance in lower-division prerequisite courses in the applicant’s proposed major; completion of a specified pattern of courses that meet general education requirements; participation in academically selective honors programs and performance in honors courses.

Other factors that may be assessed include outstanding performance in one or more academic subject areas, special projects, or programs; talents, achievements, experiences, or interests that will contribute to the vitality and educational environment of the campus; and special circumstances or personal challenges, especially as they relate to the social or educational environment(s) that have affected a student’s life experience.

Class Standing

Please note that, due to the high volume of applications that UC

Santa Cruz receives, the campus is often open to junior-level transfer students only. Lower-division transfer students should check with the Office of Admissions to see if the campus is accepting applications for a particular term. UC Santa Cruz does not accept students who have completed 90 UC-transferable semester units (135 quarter units) or more from a combination of two-year and four-year institutions. If you have earned all of your credits from community college, you are not affected by this limit, because UC grants a maximum of 70 semester (105 quarter) units in transfer from community college.

Second Baccalaureate Applicants

Second baccalaureate candidates are evaluated on a case-by-case basis when enrollment allows. Contact the Office of Admissions for more information prior to applying.

Applicants with International Academic Records

A record of course work from collegiate institutions and universities outside of the U.S. must be submitted for evaluation. If your native language is not English and your education in high school or at the college or university level was in a country where English is not the native language, UC Santa Cruz requires a minimum score of 220 (computer-based) or 550 (paper-based) on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). UC Santa Cruz also accepts a minimum score of 7 on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) academic module. Completion of two UC-transferable English composition courses (not ESL) in the U.S. with grades of B or better may be substituted for the TOEFL.

In order to best prepare for transferring to UC Santa Cruz, students should complete UC-transferable courses that meet minimum eligibility requirements and the campus’s selection criteria. By selecting courses that meet introductory-level major requirements, general education requirements, and their prerequisites, students are able to prepare for transfer more efficiently. Strategies and recommendations for meeting selection criteria, major preparation, and general education requirements are described below. Transfer course agreements and articulation between the University of California and California community colleges can be accessed on the ASSIST web site at www.assist.org. (Please see the ASSIST section on the back of this document.)

Preparing for Your Major

You are strongly encouraged to concentrate on completing as many of the lower-division requirements as possible for your chosen major. This is particularly important if your major requires preparatory courses in mathematics and the sciences. Strong preparation will ease your transition to the university, shorten your time to degree, and leave more flexibility in your schedule to explore additional academic interests. Information regarding the required courses for each major can be found in the *UC Santa Cruz General Catalog* at reg.ucsc.edu/catalog.

Selective Majors

Most transfer students are admitted to the campus as prospective majors (as listed on the UC application). Most majors are readily available to transfer students once they have completed the lower-division prerequisite courses. Junior transfers

are required to declare their major during their second quarter of attendance.

Art majors: Junior transfer students are accepted into the art major after passing the portfolio review. The UC application and the Art Department portfolio review application are separate and independent processes. Being accepted to UC Santa Cruz does not guarantee that a student will pass the portfolio review, and passing the portfolio review does not guarantee admission to UC Santa Cruz. More information on the portfolio review can be found at art.ucsc.edu or by calling the Art Department at (831) 459-3551.

Jack Baskin School of Engineering

Acceptance into any Jack Baskin School of Engineering (SoE) major will be based on overall college academic record, especially completion and grades in the individual department’s foundation courses. Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum is not recommended for engineering transfer students. The foundation courses required for admission to SoE majors are described on the SoE undergraduate advising web site: www.soe.ucsc.edu/advising/undergraduate/prospective/admission.html. For more information, e-mail soeadmissions@soe.ucsc.edu or call (831) 459-5840.

During the declaration of major process, which occurs once the student is already enrolled at UC Santa Cruz, some departments may screen for admission to their majors using criteria beyond minimum eligibility requirements. These majors currently include business management economics, the creative writing concentration within the literature major, economics, film

and digital media, global economics, psychology, and sociology. Consult the *UC Santa Cruz General Catalog* or the relevant department for more information.

General Education Requirements

General education requirements are designed to introduce students to diverse subject areas. While not an admission requirement, these courses should be taken prior to transfer, if possible. Keep in mind that general education requirements should not be completed at the expense of completing lower-division major preparation. A course may be used to meet both a general education and a major requirement. You have the option of completing either the UC Santa Cruz campus’s general education requirements or, if you are transferring from a California community college, the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum.

Campus General Education Requirements

UC Santa Cruz has one campuswide set of general education requirements. Required courses include six introductory courses (two each from the disciplines of natural sciences and engineering, social sciences, and the humanities and arts); a quantitative methods course; two English composition courses; a writing-intensive course; a course in the arts; and one in U.S. ethnic minorities/non-Western society. A writing-intensive course requirement must be fulfilled at UC Santa Cruz. All or part of the three-course topical requirement may be waived, depending upon the number of units accepted in transfer. A detailed explanation of the requirements can be found in the *UC Santa Cruz General Catalog*. Any unfulfilled

general education requirements can be satisfied at UC Santa Cruz after transfer.

Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC)

IGETC is a series of courses prospective transfer students from a California community college may complete to satisfy the lower-division breadth/general education requirements at both the University of California and the California State University. If you complete the entire pattern of IGETC before transferring, you are exempt from the UC Santa Cruz campus’s general education requirements. Your community college must send official certification that you have completed the UC-IGETC requirements with your final transcript. A list of courses that meet the IGETC requirements is available at your community college. IGETC is a good option for students who are pursuing majors with few lower-division required courses, but it is not recommended for majors that require extensive course preparation, such as any major in the Jack Baskin School of Engineering or the Division of Physical and Biological Sciences.

