

UC Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) for Students Applying for 2017-2018 Admission

Six University of California (UC) campuses offer guaranteed admission to students from all California community colleges (CCC). Interested students must meet campus-specific requirements to qualify for a UC TAG. By participating in a TAG program, students can ensure their admission to a specific UC campus, some of which offer an early review of a students' academic record, early admission notification (no later than November 15, 2016 for a fall 2017 TAG applications), and specific guidance on major preparation and general education coursework.

Who can file a TAG?

Only students transferring directly from a California community college (CCC) are considered for a TAG, including international students (those with a visa). A CCC transfer student is one who has completed at least 30 semester (45 quarter) UC-transferable units at one or more California community colleges, and the last college the student attended in a regular session (fall/spring or fall/winter/spring) before admission to a UC campus is a California community college. All UC campuses that offer TAGs require students to meet this definition.

Students who have already earned a bachelor's degree, graduate degree, and/or professional degree cannot receive a TAG. Students who have previously enrolled at a UC campus during a regular term (not including summer session) cannot submit a TAG application to return to that campus. Students concurrently enrolled in high school are not eligible for TAG.

To pursue a TAG, students must:

- Complete the online UC TAG application and submit it during the appropriate filing period – September 1-30, 2016 for fall 2017 admission at uctap.universityofcalifornia.edu.
- Once a TAG is submitted, fulfill all remaining coursework and GPA requirements designated on the TAG agreement.
- Apply for admission to UC during the appropriate filing period at universityofcalifornia.edu/apply.

Students are strongly encouraged to consult with their community college counselor prior to completing/submitting the TAG application. Additionally, transfer students do not have to participate in TAG to be considered for admission. Non-TAG students must also apply for UC admission during the appropriate application filing period at universityofcalifornia.edu/apply.

| Campus | Is a pre-evaluation of coursework provided as part of TAG? | Is the TAG reviewed by a CCC prior to the UC review? | 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 |
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| Davis | Yes | Yes; review deadline Oct. 15 | 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 and Landscape Architecture; Fiber and Polymer Science suspended 2017-18 | http://tag.ucdavis.edu/ (530) 752-2971 |
| Irvine | No | No, unless required by the community college, in which case review deadline is Oct. 15 | Accepted for fall quarter only. Filing period: Sept. 1-30 | Yes, provided all TAG requirements are completed. | Business Administration, Cognitive Sciences, Dance, Music, Nursing Science | http://admissions.uci.edu/tag (949) 824-6703 |
| Merced | Yes | No; however some CCC counselors may choose to complete a review. | Accepted for fall and spring semesters. Filing period: Sept. 1-30 for fall; May 1-31 for spring. | Yes, provided all TAG requirements are completed. | English, Global Arts and Studies Program, Public Health, and Spanish not available at date of publication. Subject to change. | http://c.ucm.edu/tag (209) 228-7178 transfer@ucmerced.edu |
| Riverside | No | No | Accepted for fall quarter only. Filing period: Sept. 1-30 | Yes, provided all TAG requirements are completed. | Art (Studio) | http://admissions.ucr.edu/Admissions/pathsAdmissions#transferStudents (951) 827-3411 transfer@ucr.edu |

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| Santa Barbara | No | No | Accepted for fall quarter only. Filing period: Sept. 1-30 | Yes for College of Letters & Science (L&S) majors that do not have a pre-major. No for L&S majors that have a pre-major; the pre-major is guaranteed, but further requirements must be met at UCSB after transfer in order to be accepted into the full major. | All majors in the College of Creative Studies; all majors in the College of Engineering; Dance B.A., Dance B.F.A., Music B.M., Theater B.F.A. in the College of Letters & Science. | http://admissions.sa.ucsb.edu/applying/transfer/tag (805) 893-2881 |
| Santa Cruz | Yes | Yes; review deadline Oct. 15 | Accepted for fall quarter only. Filing period: Sept. 1-30 | Yes for all majors in the Jack Baskin School of Engineering, all majors in the biological sciences, all majors in economics, all majors in physics, biochemistry, chemistry, cognitive science, environmental studies, environmental studies/biology, environmental studies/Earth sciences, environmental studies/economics, psychology, and sociology. | None | http://admissions.ucsc.edu/apply/transfer-students/tag.html (831) 459-2131 tag@ucsc.edu |

Who can file a TAG?

| Campus | Students with only CCC coursework? | Students with CCC coursework and non-CCC coursework from within the U.S.? | Students with CCC coursework and non-CCC coursework from international colleges/universities (outside of the U.S.) |
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| Davis | Yes | Yes, provided the student (after applying UC lower-division unit limitations and exclusions) does not reach or exceed 80 semester (120 quarter) transferable units of college coursework. The College of Engineering will consider applicants who have 80 or more semester (120 quarter) units of transfer credit after UC lower-division unit limitations and exclusions. | Yes, provided the student (after applying UC lower-division unit limitations and exclusions) does not reach or exceed 80 semester (120 quarter) transferable units of college coursework. The College of Engineering will consider applicants who have 80 or more semester (120 quarter) units of transfer credit after UC lower-division unit limitations and exclusions. |
| Irvine | Yes | Yes, provided the student (after applying UC lower division limitations and exclusions) does not reach or exceed 90 semester (135 quarter) units of combined community and four-year college transferable coursework. | Yes, provided the student (after applying UC lower division limitations and exclusions) does not reach or exceed 90 semester (135 quarter) units of combined community and four-year college transferable coursework. |
| Merced | Yes | Yes, provided the student (after applying UC lower division limitations and exclusions) does not reach or exceed 80 semester (120 quarter) transferable units of college coursework. | Yes, provided the student (after applying UC lower division limitations and exclusions) does not reach or exceed 80 semester (120 quarter) transferable units of college coursework. |
| Riverside | Yes | Yes, provided the student (after applying UC lower-division unit limitations and exclusions) does not reach or exceed 80 semester (120 quarter) units of combined community and four-year college transferable coursework. | Yes, provided the student (after applying UC lower-division unit limitations and exclusions) does not reach or exceed 80 semester (120 quarter) units of combined community and four-year college transferable coursework. |
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TAG Qualifications

Each UC campus that offers TAGs has indicated their minimum qualifications and completion deadlines below. Some qualifications are required to submit the TAG application while others must be completed after the TAG application has been submitted. Review this information carefully to ensure you understand individual campus qualifications before completing the TAG application. Please note: students whose native language is not English and whose high school and/or college/university education was in a country where the language of instruction was not English must provide evidence of English proficiency. Methods to demonstrate English proficiency for each UC campus can be found in [Quick Reference for Counselors](#).

| Campus | Minimum UC transferable units completed to submit a TAG | Minimum UC transferable units required to fulfill TAG | Minimum GPA required for a TAG | Completion deadline for English Composition (UC-E) courses | Completion deadline for mathematics course (UC-M) |
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| Davis | 30 semester/45 quarter; Full-time enrollment at a CCC from spring term 2016 through spring term 2017 is expected; part-time enrollment is permissible for good cause. Students should provide a brief explanation regarding part-time attendance on the UC TAG Application at the time of submission. | 60 semester/90 quarter; Full-time enrollment at a CCC from spring term 2016 through spring term 2017 is expected; part-time enrollment is permissible for good cause. Students should provide a brief explanation regarding part-time attendance on the UC TAG Application at the time of submission. | 3.20 in all UC transferable coursework for majors in the Colleges of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences, Biological Sciences, and Letters & Science; 3.30 in all UC transferable coursework for majors in the College of Engineering. GPA requirement must be met by end of summer 2016 and maintained through spring 2017. | No later than the end of the fall 2016 term for both courses. | No later than the end of the fall 2016 term. |
| Irvine | 30 semester/45 quarter | 60 semester/90 quarter | 3.4 for all UC transferable coursework GPA requirement must be met by end of summer 2016, and for each subsequent term. | End of summer 2016 for the first UC-E course; end of spring 2017 for the second UC-E course. | End of summer 2016 |
| Merced | 30 semester/45 quarter | 60 semester/90 quarter | 3.0 for all majors in the School of Engineering; 2.90 for all majors in the School of Natural Sciences; 2.80 for majors in the School of Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts, except Psychology which requires a 3.0. GPA requirement must be met by end of summer 2016 and maintained through spring 2017. | Fall 2017 TAG: first UC-E course by end of fall 2016; second UC-E course by end of spring 2017. Spring 2018 TAG: first UC-E course by end of spring 2017; second UC-E course by end of summer 2017. | Fall 2017 TAG: by the end of fall 2016. Spring 2018 TAG: by the end of spring 2017. |
| Riverside | 30 semester/45 quarter | 60 semester/90 quarter | 3.0 for College of Humanities and Social Sciences; 3.1 plus major preparation for Bourns College of Engineering; 3.1 plus major preparation for College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences; 3.2 plus major preparation is required for Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry and Neuroscience; 3.5 plus major preparation for School of Business Administration. GPA requirement must be met at the time | Complete first UC-E by end of fall 2016; complete second UC-E by end of spring 2017. | Non-selecting majors must have transferable UC-M complete by end of fall 2016. Selecting majors (all majors in BCOE, CNAS, SOBA, and Neuroscience in CHASS) must have completed required mathematics for major, as outlined on assist.org, by end of fall 2016. |

Accurate as of October 3, 2016 for the 2017-2018 TAG application cycle. Subject to change. For future TAG application cycle information, refer to the annually revised TAG Matrix found in the Downloadable Guides section of the University of California Admissions website, admissions.universityofcalifornia.edu, or refer to the campus' admissions websites.

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| Santa Barbara | 30 semester/45 quarter (excluding AP/IB/A-level credit) | 60 semester/90 quarter (excluding AP/IB/A-Level credit); last 30 semester/45 quarter units must be completed in residence at a CCC, with no more than 18 units needed in spring 2016 to reach 60 semester/90 quarter units. | Minimum 3.2 overall GPA for all majors. All majors in Economics and Biological Sciences have a minimum GPA required for major preparation courses. See "By Major" articulation agreements at www.assist.org for details. GPA requirement must be met by the end of fall 2016 and maintained through spring 2017. | Both UC-E courses must be completed by the end of fall 2016. | The UC-M course must be completed by the end of fall 2016. |
| Santa Cruz | 30 semester/45 quarter | 60 semester/90 quarter | 3.0 for all majors in all UC transferable courses. GPA requirement must be met by the end of summer 2016. Minimum GPA requirements for some major preparation courses required see UCSC TAG website for more information. | End of fall 2016 first UC-E course; end of spring 2017 second UC-E course. Students must demonstrate adequate preparation in the subject area of English composition. | End of fall 2016. Students must demonstrate adequate preparation in the subject area of mathematics. |

TAG Qualifications Continued

| Campus | Deadlines for all other TAG qualifications to be met | Majors that require major preparation | Completion of IGETC Required? | Good Standing Required? |
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| Davis | End of spring 2017 | Complete course group requirements for selective majors; see https://www.ucdavis.edu/admissions/undergraduate/transfer/selective-major-requirements for details. | No | Yes |
| Irvine | End of spring 2017 | Complete major prerequisites for specific majors; see http://admissions.uci.edu/applicants/transfer_preparation.html | No | Yes |
| Merced | Fall 2017 TAG: end of spring 2017 Spring 2018 TAG: end of fall 2017 | Complete minimum course prerequisites for specified majors; see http://c.ucm.edu/tag | No | Yes |
| Riverside | End of spring 2017 | All majors in the Bourns College of Engineering (BCOE), College of Natural & Agricultural Sciences (CNAS), School of Business Administration (SOBA), and Neuroscience major in College of Humanities, Arts & Social Sciences (CHASS); See www.assist.org for major preparation and http://admissions.ucr.edu/Admissions/pathsAdmissions#transferStudents for campus details. | The School of Business Administration (SOBA) requires completion of IGETC. | Yes |
| Santa Barbara | End of spring 2017 | All Economics majors and Biological Sciences majors in the College of Letters and Science. Strongly recommended to complete lower-division major preparation for all other majors; see www.assist.org for more details. | No | Yes |
| Santa Cruz | End of spring 2017 | Yes for all majors in the Jack Baskin School of Engineering, all majors in the biological sciences, all majors in economics, all majors in physics, biochemistry, chemistry, cognitive science, environmental studies, environmental studies/biology, environmental studies/Earth sciences, environmental studies/economics, psychology, and sociology. See http://admissions.ucsc.edu/apply/transfer-students/tag.html for more details. | No | Yes |