

# 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.

We hope you will consider transferring to one of the University of California's nine undergraduate campuses to earn your bachelor's degree.

It's never too early to start preparing for transfer. In addition to meeting with a transfer counselor at your community college on a regular basis, here are steps you need to take to gain admission to UC:

#### STEP 1

## CREATE A UC TRANSFER ADMISSION PLANNER ACCOUNT AT: UCAL.US/TAP.

The planner is a one-stop academic organizer that will help you keep track of your progress toward satisfying transfer requirements.

**TIP:** Enter your community college courses and grades each term as you complete them. The planner tool will calculate your UC transferable units and UC GPA to help you stay on track.

**TIP:** Keep your UC TAP account up to date and you'll be able to import your academic history directly into your admissions application.

#### STEP 2

## START TAKING THE REQUIRED UC-TRANSFERABLE ENGLISH AND MATH COURSES EARLY.

TIP: To be sure your courses are transferable, check the ASSIST database at: assist.org. You can also refer to the list of courses that satisfy the full UC Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) on the ASSIST website.

#### STEP 3

COMPLETE THE IGETC PATTERN OF GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES (OR FOR STEM MAJORS, COMPLETE THE IGETC FOR STEM COURSES).

IGETC is a series of courses you may complete at a community college in order to satisfy UC's freshman/

sophomore level general education requirements. Completing the full UC IGETC pattern of courses means you will automatically meet the UC 7-course pattern required for junior transfer admission and satisfy the general education requirements for most UC programs. You may not have to take any more GEs when you transfer to UC!

**TIP:** Learn more about the 7-course pattern at: <u>ucal.us/transferbasics</u>.

**TIP:** If you have already narrowed down your choices to one or two UC campuses, you might choose to complete General Education (GE) requirements for those campuses instead of IGETC. UC campus GE requirements can be found at: assist.org.

#### STEP 4

PECIDE ON A MAJOR AND COMPLETE COURSES
REQUIRED FOR THAT MAJOR. COMPLETION OF
MAJOR PREREQUISITE COURSES IS CRITICAL
FOR POSSIBLE ADMISSION SELECTION BY A
UC CAMPUS.

Follow one of the **UC Transfer Pathways**: <u>ucal.us/transferpathways</u>. To find the right courses at your community college, use the **UC Transfer Pathways Guide**: <u>pathwaysguide.universityofcalifornia.edu</u>.

**TIP:** Completing the Pathway course expectations means you will be more competitive for admission selection at all nine UC campuses!

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

**TIP:** Completing all required major prerequisite courses means you will be more competitive for admission selection at a specific campus.

#### STEP 5

#### DO YOU WANT GUARANTEED ADMISSION?

Six UC campuses offer a real guarantee to the campus and major.

By submitting an application for the **UC Transfer Admission Guarantee** (TAG), if you meet all of the requirements, you are assured admission to the UC campus and major you selected.

**TIP:** For detailed requirements, review the TAG matrix: <u>ucal.us/tagchart</u>.

**TIP:** Be sure to complete and submit the UC TAG application the year before you plan to transfer: <u>ucal.us/tag</u>.

#### STEP 6

COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THE UC ADMISSION AND SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION BY THE DEADLINE (NOVEMBER 30 FOR FALL ADMISSION):

WWW.UNIVERSITYOFCALIFORNIA.EDU/APPLY.

#### Other steps you can take:

- Meet with UC campus representatives when they visit your college to learn more about the benefits of a UC education and UC's admission selection process.
- Learn about the real cost of attending UC (net calculator) and how we can help you pay for it (financial aid): <a href="mailto:ucal.us/payingforuc">ucal.us/payingforuc</a>.
- Visit the UC campuses (in-person or virtually): ucal.us/visituc.
- Explore campus transfer housing opportunities and learn about support services UC provides to ensure you succeed: <u>ucal.us/transfersupport</u>.

No matter which UC campus you choose, you'll find a supportive community and a wealth of programs to help you make the most of your college experience. We look forward to helping you along the way.