

# 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.

Community college is a great way to prepare for a UC degree. In fact, nearly a third of UC undergraduates transfer from a California community college. We hope you'll join them and consider transferring to one of our nine undergraduate campuses to earn your bachelor's degree. 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.

As a transfer student you can:

- Expect to save money on your education
- Be prepared to transfer in your major to UC
- Be ready to graduate with your bachelor's degree in a timely manner

### STEP 1

#### CREATE A UC TRANSFER ADMISSION PLANNER (UC TAP) ACCOUNT AT: [UCAL.US/UCTAP](https://ucal.us/uctap)

The planner is an all-in-one academic organizer that will help you keep track of your progress toward satisfying transfer requirements. The planner will also calculate your UC transferable units and UC GPA.

UC campus representatives can use the information in your TAP account to better advise you during individual advising appointments and to invite you to campus events for transfer students.

**TIP:** Your academic history from your updated TAP account can be imported directly into your

UC admissions application. This saves you time when you're ready to apply.

### STEP 2

#### CONNECT WITH TRANSFER COUNSELORS AT YOUR COMMUNITY COLLEGE EARLY

Your community college has many resources, programs and learning communities to advise and support transfer students preparing for UC. Some of these include:

Transfer Center  
CalWorks  
Veterans Center

Umoja Community  
MESA & Puente programs  
EOPS

### STEP 3

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

Early completion of UC-E and UC-M courses will make you more competitive for admission at all UC campuses.

### STEP 4

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

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

If you are in a UC Transfer Pathways major, you can complete one set of major preparation requirements accepted at all nine undergraduate UC campuses. For more information on UC Transfer Pathways, visit: [ucal.us/transferpathways](http://ucal.us/transferpathways)

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

### STEP 5

#### COMPLETE THE INTERSEGMENTAL GENERAL EDUCATION TRANSFER CURRICULUM (IGETC) PATTERN OF COURSES IF APPROPRIATE FOR YOUR MAJOR: [UCAL.US/IGETC](http://ucal.us/igetc)

Completing the full UC IGETC pattern of courses will satisfy the general education requirements for most UC majors. You may not have to take any more lower-division general education courses when you transfer to UC.

**TIP:** If your major program doesn't recommend IGETC, you should focus on lower-division major preparation at your community college. For more information on IGETC recommendations, see: [ucal.us/campusigetc](http://ucal.us/campusigetc)

### STEP 6

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

Six UC campuses offer guaranteed admission for a wide range of majors. To be eligible, you'll need to complete specific TAG criteria, including GPA, major preparation and unit requirements. For more information, review the TAG matrix at: [ucal.us/tagchart](http://ucal.us/tagchart)

Campuses offering TAG:

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

**TIP:** If you're pursuing a Pathways major, consider the Pathways+ transfer option. Pathways+ gives you the academic preparation and guidance you need to be a strong applicant, plus the security of knowing you have a guaranteed place at UC with a campus-based TAG. For more information about Pathways+: [ucal.us/pathwaysplus](http://ucal.us/pathwaysplus)

### STEP 7

#### APPLY FOR UC ADMISSION AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Sept. 1-30:	TAG submission period
Oct. 1:	FAFSA and CA Dream Act applications open for financial aid
Nov. 1-30:	UC application submission period

#### RESOURCES AND TIPS:

- Meet with UC admission representatives on your campus
- Attend a college fair
- Calculate your estimated cost of attending UC and how much financial aid you may be eligible for: [ucal.us/estimateaid](http://ucal.us/estimateaid)
- Visit the UC campuses (in person or virtually): [ucal.us/campuses](http://ucal.us/campuses)
- Explore campus transfer and family housing opportunities and learn about support services UC provides to ensure you succeed: [ucal.us/transfersupport](http://ucal.us/transfersupport)

We're here to support you along your transfer journey. Let us know how we can help. For more information and contact information, visit: [ucal.us/campuservices](http://ucal.us/campuservices)