

**UC : Time to apply!**



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# University of California Overview

Nine undergraduate campuses state-wide:

**Berkeley** → May request letters of recommendation after Nov 30 (they are optional even if requested)  
Admission to Comp Sci in College of L&S is as competitive as Elec. Eng. & Comp Sci (EECS) in College of Engineering

**Davis**

**Irvine**

**Los Angeles**

**Merced** → open to all students who qualify as "Statewide" eligible!

**Riverside**

**San Diego** → 6 college system: [colleges.ucsd.edu](http://colleges.ucsd.edu)

**Santa Barbara** → Engineering majors should consider alternate major

**Santa Cruz**

• "Highly competitive"

• Apply online: [www.universityofcalifornia.edu](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu)

• Application is open now!!!

• Application submission window: **Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> – Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>**



# UC Berkeley Admitted Freshman Profile 2017

**CA Admission:** 9,715 / 49,280

50 counties in CA

48 U.S. states/territories

74 countries



**Average GPAs for applicants to Cal:**

3.90 (unweighted)

4.42 (weighted/uncapped)

Mid-50 range admitted CA Residents 4.16-4.32

**Mid-50 range SAT for applicants to Cal:**

Admitted CA Residents 1240 – 1450

SAT Math 660-780

SAT Reading 630-750

SAT Writing 650-770

**Mid-50 range ACT composite for applicants to Cal:**

Admitted CA Residents 29 – 34

Applicants 30 - 34

# News from the Berkeley Campus

- ❖ **Unique Program! Management, Entrepreneurship & Technology:** Earn two Bachelor of Science degrees — one in engineering, one in business — in one integrated program that can be completed in four years. • For incoming freshmen only – **very selective** • Through the College of Engineering and Haas School of Business, students choose one of three tracks:
  - Electrical Engineering & Computer Sciences (EECS) + Business
  - Industrial Engineering & Operations Research (IEOR) + Business
  - Mechanical Engineering (ME) + Business (new for 2017 application cycle)
- ❖ **New Visitor Center Is Open!!** The Koret Visitor Center located at California Memorial Stadium welcomes guests and prospective students





Bowles Hall (shown here) opened last year as a residence to 183 new undergraduate women and men, three graduate students, three Berkeley academics, and an archeologist who is a Bowles Hall alumnus

- Berkeley was rated the #1 Public University by US News and World Report in 2017 (tied with UCLA)
- Berkeley has more graduates volunteer for the Peace Corp and participate in Teach for America than any other university.
- 22 Elements in the Periodic Table were discovered at Berkeley

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experience

because choosing a college is personal:

[Be.Berkeley.edu](https://www.be.berkeley.edu)



# UC Davis 2017 CA Freshman Admission Profile

Applicants: **51,425**

Admits: 18,480

Admit Rate: **36%**

GPA: 4.04-4.28

ACT Score: 25-33

SAT Total: 1160-1380

These ranges represent the middle 50% of admitted CA students



For more information about UC Davis admissions –  
**[ucdavis.edu/admissions](http://ucdavis.edu/admissions)**

# News from the UC Davis Campus:

No. 1 in the world in veterinary science (QS World University Rankings 2017)

No. 2 in the world for agriculture and forestry (QS World University Rankings 2017)

UC Davis offers the most comprehensive engineering program and the most ABET-accredited engineering majors in the University of California system

Ranked a “best value college” by *Forbes* 2017



**Sign up for our e-newsletter [ucdavis.edu/more-info](http://ucdavis.edu/more-info)**

# UC Irvine Admitted Freshman Profile 2017

CA-Resident Admits

21,056 admitted

33% admit rate

4.10 capped average GPA

Mid-50 range GPA 4.04-4.27

Mid-50 range SAT 1170-1370

Average SAT for admitted students : 1310

Mid-50 range ACT 25-32

Average ACT for admitted students : 29

CA-Resident Students  
with Intent to Register

52.4% first generation

38.0% URM

44.9% low income



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[Admissions.uci.edu](https://admissions.uci.edu)  
[admissions@uci.edu](mailto:admissions@uci.edu)



# UCI Campus News

Fall Preview Day – Sat., October 28th

- ❖ First-of-its-kind official e-sports initiative
- ❖ New residence hall expansion
- ❖ Expanding honors program
- ❖ Record-breaking research and philanthropic funding



#9 best public university in the U.S.  
- U.S. News & World Report

#1 for environmental sustainability  
- Sierra magazine

# UCLA Admissions Information 2017

<u>College/School</u>	<u>Approximate Admit Rate</u>
<b>Overall</b> 63,516 CA applications / 9,292 CA admits	15%
<b>Letters &amp; Science</b>	21%
<b>Engineering</b>	12%
<b>Theater, Film &amp; TV</b>	4%
<b>Arts &amp; Architecture</b>	10%
<b>Music</b>	23%
<b>Nursing</b>	2%
<b>Admitted CA applicants mid-50 range: 4.19-4.33 GPA</b>	<b>1220-1450 SAT</b>
	<b>28-34 ACT</b>



**UCLA Open  
House:  
Sat., October  
7th**

## Updates from this past admission cycle:

- New Freshmen from throughout CA (46 out of 58 counties), 44 states and over 60 countries



- More than 20 programs are ranked in the top 10 nationally, including art, psychology, math, history, sociology, and English.

- UCLA ranked #1 Public University in the Nation (US News and World Report 2017) / tied with UC Berkeley

- Increasing Academic Rigor Among Apps and Admits (since '12)

  - 40% increase in apps w/21+ Honors/APs from CA

  - 23% increase in admits w/21+ Honors/APs from CA

- Over 250,000 reviews of freshman applications!



# A word from UCLA Admissions:

“UCLA is among the most selective universities in the country and is becoming more competitive for freshman applicants each year. This past year, UCLA received more than 102,000 applications. Generally the campus is able to admit about one in six freshman applicants for the fall term.

For the College of Letters and Science, the applicant’s major is not considered during the review process. The Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science admits students by declared major, with more emphasis on science and math programs. The school of Nursing also places more emphasis on science and math programs and requires the submission of an additional supplemental application. The School of Arts and Architecture, Herb Alpert School of Music; and the School of Theater, Film, and Television, admit students by declared major (within the school), and put more emphasis on special talents through a review of portfolios and / or auditions, which are the most significant factors for these schools.”

[http://www.admission.ucla.edu/prospect/adm\\_fr/FrSel.pdf](http://www.admission.ucla.edu/prospect/adm_fr/FrSel.pdf)

# UC Merced Admissions Information 2017:

CA Freshman Applicants: 20,713  
Rate

Admitted 15,391

74% Admit

Mid-50 Admitted GPA: 3.37-3.9

Mid-50 Admitted SAT: 1010 – 1220

Mid-50 Admitted ACT: 19-27



\*\*Total Enrollment 2017: 6,815 Undergraduate and 521 Graduate Students  
**Private University Size at a Public School Price**

## Top 5 Majors for First Year Applicants



#1

Biological  
Sciences



#2

Undeclared



#3

Computer  
Science &  
Engineering



#4

Psychology



#5

Management  
& Business  
Economics

# 2018 MERCED ADMISSION FYI

Apply directly – don't wait to be contacted from the referral pool.



## New Majors:

- Global Arts Studies Program, B.A.
- Nanotechnologies emphasis in the Materials Science and Engineering major, B.S.
- Critical Race and Ethnic Studies, B.A.

## Pre-Professional Programs:

- Teaching => [calteach.ucmerced.edu](http://calteach.ucmerced.edu)
- Pre-Law=> [catlife.ucmerced.edu/organization/prelaw](http://catlife.ucmerced.edu/organization/prelaw)
- Pre-Health => [prehealth.ucmerced.edu](http://prehealth.ucmerced.edu)

# UC Riverside Admission Information 2017

CA Freshman Applicants: 20,713 Admitted 15,391 74% Admit Rate

Mid-50 CA Admitted GPA: 3.37-3.9

Mid-50 CA Admitted SAT: 1010 – 1220

Mid-50 CA Admitted ACT: 19-27

Interested in the UCR Honors program? Find out more at [honors.ucr.edu](http://honors.ucr.edu)



For more admissions information, dates, and checklists visit:  
[go.ucr.edu/connect](http://go.ucr.edu/connect)

# Updates from the UC Riverside Campus:

- UC Riverside is one of the few national universities to offer a School of Public Policy for undergraduates.
- 70% of graduates from UCR's Bourns College of Engineering are employed within 6 months of graduation with an average salary of \$59,429
- A UC Campus with a business major!! Freshman must apply "pre-business"
- Are you interested in the UCR University Honors Program? Find out more at [honors.ucr.edu](https://honors.ucr.edu)



**Fall Discover Days: October 28<sup>th</sup> and November 18<sup>th</sup>**



# UC San Diego Admissions Information

CA Residents: applied 59,097  
accepted 18,520  
31% acceptance rate

Mid-50 GPA of admitted CA  
residents : 4.10 – 4.30

Mid-50 SAT of admitted CA  
residents : 1210-1420

Mid-50 ACT of admitted CA  
residents: 27 – 34

35,816 UCSD Campus Enrollment

28,127 Undergraduate Students



# News from the UC San Diego Campus:



**New Majors:** Real Estate Development  
Data Science

**The Basement:** The Basement's student-centric mission is to stimulate, encourage and serve the entrepreneurial spirit of UC San Diego students by providing a co-work and incubation space

**2,909 ACTIVE INVENTIONS**  
**1,876 ACTIVE PATENTS**

**Co-curricular Record:** The first tool of its kind in higher education. Highlights student achievements in opportunities beyond the classroom. Makes a connection between academic skills learned and marketable competencies "soft skills" to potential employers.

**Capped Majors:** Students should indicate an alternate major on their application if their first choice major is:

Biological Science

Mathematics

Economics

Physics

Engineering

Public Health

**UCSD has a 6 college system:** Applicants must select a college at the time of application

**Register for on campus and online admissions events at [admissions.ucsd.edu/events](https://admissions.ucsd.edu/events)**

# Freshman Admission at UC Santa Barbara

CA Residents: applied 58,492  
accepted 18,551  
32% acceptance rate

Mid-50 GPA of admitted CA residents : 4.0-4.27

Mid-50 SAT of admitted CA residents : 1190-1420

Mid-50 ACT of admitted CA residents: 27 – 33



# Academic & Campus Updates from UCSB

**New Programs :** Within the Linguistics Major, there is a new optional emphasis in  
Speech-Language Sciences and Disorders  
New Minor in Iranian Studies

There are 5 combined BS/ MS programs within the College of Engineering

**College of Creative Studies:** Celebrating it's 50<sup>th</sup> year!! A small college for self-directed students within a world class research university, providing a rigorous, accelerated program facilitating original undergraduate work

UCSB reports “UCSB uses a comprehensive review process to evaluate applicants – 50% “a-g” courses, UC GPA and examination scores and 50% personal insight questions and extracurriculars.”



Find out more: [youtube.com/ucsb4me](https://youtube.com/ucsb4me)

# UC Santa Cruz – Freshman Admissions 2017

**CA Residents:** applied 42,705  
accepted 19,258  
45% acceptance rate

Mid-50 GPA of admitted CA residents : 3.77-4.16

Mid-50 SAT of admitted CA residents : 1180-1360

Mid-50 ACT of admitted CA residents: 26 – 32

**Class Size:** 63% of undergraduate courses have fewer than 30 students; 75% have fewer than 50

**Undergraduate Research:** over 70% of undergraduates conduct research during their UCSC careers.



# News from the UC Santa Cruz Campus:

- Residential college system – smaller communities of living and learning. Do not need to declare preference on application.
- Innovative programs: The UC Hastings-UCSC “3+ 3 B.A./J.D. Program” is the first and only such program in the UC system. Do not need to declare on application.
- Human Biology Major: Unique features of the human biology major are the required courses related to human health, the requirement of proficiency in Spanish, including a course in medical Spanish for health care workers, and participation in a formal internship program.
- Can you finish in 3? You can at UCSC => Three-year degrees  
<http://advising.ucsc.edu/success/3-year-pathways/index.html>



# University of California Entrance Requirements

**I. Subject Requirement:** Freshman applicants are required to complete a **minimum** of 15 yearlong "a-g" courses in grades 9-12. Seven of these courses must be taken in the last two years of high school. Seniors will self report all classes and grades on their application.

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| <b>a. History/social science</b>   | <b>2 years</b> |
| <b>b. English</b><br>(composition/literature in the language of instruction)                       | <b>4 years</b> |
| <b>c. Mathematics</b><br>(including elementary algebra, geometry and intermediate algebra)         | <b>3 years</b> |
| <b>d. Laboratory science</b><br>(from two disciplines / life science and physical science)         | <b>2 years</b> |
| <b>e. Language other than English</b><br>(world language)  | <b>2 years</b> |
| <b>f. Visual and performing arts</b> (2 semesters of different classes in same discipline is okay) | <b>1 year</b>  |
| <b>g. College-preparatory elective</b>   | <b>1 year</b>  |



## UC Requirements Continued...

**II. Examination Requirement:** SAT with writing or ACT with writing. Send official scores from either College Board (SAT & Subject tests) or ACT (ACT test). Official SAT and ACT score reports sent to one campus are available to all.

SAT II (Subject tests) are not required but may be recommended depending upon the campus and major you are interested in.

**III. Scholarship Requirement:** A minimum 3.0 GPA is required and all classes used to meet entrance requirements must be completed with a “C” or higher.



Berkeley Admissions Office



# SAT II (Subject Test) Recommendations for Fall 2018 applicants

These are recommendations, not mandates. Applicants will not be penalized for failing to take the SAT Subject Tests. On the other hand, submission of these test scores (just like submission of AP and/or IB scores) may add positively to the review of the application.

## Berkeley

*College of Chemistry and College of Engineering:* Math Level 2 and a science test (Biology E/M, Chemistry, or Physics) closely related to the applicant's intended major.

## Irvine

*Henry Samueli School of Engineering (including the joint Computer Science and Engineering major):* Math Level 2 and a science test (Biology E/M, Chemistry, or Physics) closely related to the applicant's intended major.

*Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences:* Biology M, Chemistry, and/or Math Level 2.

*School of Physical Sciences:* Math Level 2.

*Program in Public Health Sciences:* Biology E, Biology M, and/or Chemistry.

*Program in Public Health Policy:* Biology E, Biology M, and/or World History.

## Los Angeles

*Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science:* Math Level 2 and a science test (Biology E/M, Chemistry, or Physics) closely related to the applicant's intended major.

## Riverside

*College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences and Bourns College of Engineering:* Math 2 and Chemistry or Physics, for all majors

## San Diego

*Jacobs School of Engineering and biological or physical sciences majors:* Math Level 2 and a science test (Biology E/M, Chemistry, or Physics) closely related to the applicant's intended major.

## Santa Barbara

*College of Engineering:* Math Level 2

*College of Creative Studies:*

Math Level 2 for math majors

Math Level 2 and Physics for physics majors

Biology for biology majors

Chemistry for biochemistry and chemistry majors

Math Level 2 for computing majors

The following campuses do not have any recommendations regarding SAT II Subject tests:

**Davis, Merced, and Santa Cruz**



SAT Subject Tests

# Application Basics

- Apply broadly!! Research your options. Use campus specific admissions information to determine if a particular campus is a reach, target or safety school for you.
- Consider applying to Merced, Riverside, or Santa Cruz if you are ELC.
- One online application to as many campus as you select.
- \$70 per campus  
Fee waiver for up to 4 free campus applications is imbedded in the online application.
- Have handy: transcript(s), SAT/ACT results, social security number, or immigration status and visa information, credit card

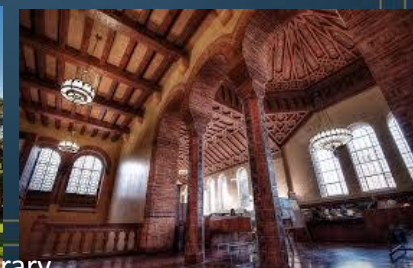
Application guide is available online:

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/files/apply-online-freshman-cal.pdf>

For additional help:

(800) 207-1710 or

[ucinfo@applyucsupport.net](mailto:ucinfo@applyucsupport.net).



UCLA's Powell Library

# Application Basics continued...

- Apply for Fall 2018 as a “Freshman”
- Include courses and grades from all schools attended (community college, other high schools, UC approved online classes, etc.)
- Transcripts are not required to be sent along with initial application although a final transcript will be requested to verify the self reported information after graduation in June. Be sure your self report is accurate.
- Space to report extracurricular involvement, leadership, awards, etc. is limited. Seniors should choose their 5 most meaningful experiences. Include contextual information when possible. Avoid uncommon acronyms. Rough Draft.
- Changes after submission to contact information, test scores are allowed. Changes to senior course schedule or report of low grades (below a C) must be reported. **Senior grades matter!!!**
- Print a copy of the completed application for your records.
- Admissions decisions will come in February/March



Outside UCLA's Royce Hall

# Personal Insight Questions

- Required Personal Insight Questions offer 8 options. Applicants must respond to 4.
- Maximum of 350 words for each response.
- Answer the question(s)
- **Emphasize insight, content, and contextual information .**
- Review Freshman personal insight question guide:  
<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/personal-questions/freshman/>



UC Berkeley Campus



Cal Bears

## Average cost of attendance for California residents, 2017-2018

This chart estimates the cost of attending UC for one year as a California resident undergraduate. For a significant proportion of UC students, these expenses are offset by grants and scholarships.

Keep in mind that your total cost will vary depending on your personal expenses and the campus you attend

	Living on campus	Living off campus
Tuition and fees*	\$13,900	\$13,900
Books and supplies	\$1,200	\$1,200
Health insurance allowance/fee	\$2,300	\$2,300
Room and board	\$15,400	\$11,800
Personal/transportation	\$1,900	\$2,400
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$34,700</b>	<b>\$31,600</b>

\* California resident undergraduates at all UC campuses pay the same \$12,294 in system-wide tuition and fees. The fees figure above includes the average cost of additional campus-based fees. Your total costs will vary depending on your personal expenses and the campus you attend. All fees are subject to change without notice

**Non resident tuition total:** **\$61,444** **\$58,344**

Not sure if you qualify for resident or non-resident tuition? Start here: <http://ucop.edu/residency/index.html>

*\* UC undergraduates at all campuses pay the same \$12,630 in system-wide tuition and fees. Nonresident undergraduates pay an additional \$28,014 in nonresident supplemental tuition. The fees figure above includes the average cost of additional campus-based fees. Your total costs will vary depending on your personal expenses and the campus you attend. All fees are subject to change without notice*

## After you've applied:

Changes in contact information can be updated on your application. Just log back in and make the adjustments. Keep it current!

Do not wait to create a student portal. Create the portal account once prompted to do so and check it regularly. Respond to any requests for more information or missing documentation immediately.

Contact campuses directly if there is a change or drop in academic performance. "D" or "F" grades in any class might cause the UC to rescind your admission offer. How to prevent this? Don't get "D" or "F" grades. Senior year matters. Yes, both semesters.

Review conditions of admission (GPA requirement, Timelines etc.) Don't let this be you:

LA Times article: "UC Irvine is under fire for rescinding 500 admission offers two months before fall term begins" excerpt below:

"I felt I was going to pass out. I couldn't stop crying," the 18-year-old said in tears as she recounted her story in an interview. Gonzalez, who has filed an appeal, is one of 499 UCI students whose offers of admission have been withdrawn for this fall — 290 of them for transcript issues and the rest for poor senior-year grades, according to campus data." <http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-uc-irvine-rescissions-20170728-story.html>



California's Master Plan for higher education "established an admissions principle of universal access and choice, assigning UC to select its freshmen students from the top one-eighth (12.5%) of the high school graduating class and CSU from the top one-third (33.3%). The California Community Colleges were to admit any student capable of benefiting from instruction. The Master Plan was subsequently modified to provide that all California residents in the top one-eighth or top one-third of their high school graduating classes who apply on time be offered a place somewhere in the UC or CSU system, respectively."

"The community college transfer function is an essential component of this commitment to access. **Under the Master Plan, UC and CSU set aside upper division places for and give priority in the admissions process to eligible California Community College transfer students.**"

from University of California Office of the President





Questions!! 😊