

University of California, Santa Barbara

TRANSFER ADMISSION GUARANTEE (TAG)

Fall 2018

General Provisions of the Guarantee

The following information outlines the UC Santa Barbara Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) for the College of Letters and Science (L&S) for the fall 2018 term only. UC Santa Barbara does not provide an early evaluation or early decision for TAG applicants. Applicants will be notified of their admission decisions between mid-March and the end of April.

MAJORS WITHOUT TAG

TAG does not apply to:

- › Any major in the College of Creative Studies
- › Any major in the College of Engineering (Chemical Engineering, Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Electrical Engineering or Mechanical Engineering)
- › Dance B.A., Dance B.F.A., Music B.M. or Theater B.F.A. in the College of Letters & Science

PRE-MAJORS

Some UCSB majors require students to complete remaining major preparation courses with a minimum GPA after transfer in order to advance to full major status. For majors with these pre-major requirements, TAG applies to admission to the pre-major. Meeting TAG requirements does not guarantee that a student will fulfill the pre-major requirements after transfer. Major preparation articulation agreements (found online at www.assist.org) include detailed information about the pre-majors. Students may contact UCSB academic department advisors to discuss their plans to transfer and get more information about the pre-major.

MAJOR PREPARATION COURSEWORK

All transfer applicants are encouraged to complete as much major preparation as possible prior to transfer. Some majors require completion of specific major preparation coursework as part of TAG. For information about required major preparation coursework, refer to #8 of the Conditions of the Guarantee section below and to the articulation agreements by major between UCSB and your community college online at www.assist.org.

UC-TRANSFERABLE UNITS

TAG does not apply to students with senior class standing (students with 90 or more UC-transferable semester units/135 or more quarter units) from accredited four-year universities or from accredited four-year universities and community colleges combined. Applicants with senior class standing will not be admitted.

- › A maximum of 70 UC-transferable semester units (105 quarter units) of lower division coursework from any college or university will transfer to UC. All community college courses are lower division. Subject credit is awarded for courses taken beyond 70 semester units (105 quarter units).
- › Any lower division coursework completed at any UC campus, including UC Extension, will not apply to the 70 semester unit (105 quarter unit) limitation. All transferable units will apply toward the 90 semester unit (135 quarter unit) limit for senior standing.
- › All UC-transferable upper division coursework completed at any four year university will apply toward the 90 semester unit (135 quarter unit) limit for senior standing.
- › Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB) and A Level exam units do not apply to the 90 semester unit (135 quarter unit) limit for senior standing.

Please note that UCSB's College of Letters & Science expects students to earn their degree without exceeding 200 quarter units. All students should select their major carefully and complete as much major preparation as possible prior to transfer.

Conditions of the Guarantee

1. Submit a TAG application at <https://uctap.universityofcalifornia.edu/students/index.cfm> during the filing period for fall 2018 (September 1-30, 2017).
2. Submit an admission application to UCSB during the filing period for fall 2018 (November 1-30, 2017) for the same major as the TAG application.
3. Applicants must have completed 30 UC-transferable semester units/45 UC-transferable quarter units prior to TAG submission and complete the last 30 of 60 or more UC-transferable semester units (45 of 90 quarter units) in residence at a California community college. A maximum of 16 quarter units of AP/IB/A Level exams may be used as part of the first 45 quarter units.
4. Complete the following required courses with C grades or better by the end of fall 2017 for fall 2018 admission:
 - › English composition (two courses designated as UC-E on the UC-Transferable Course Agreement)
 - › Mathematics (one course designated as UC-M on the UC-Transferable Course Agreement)
5. Complete at least 60 UC-transferable semester units/90 UC-transferable quarter units by the end of spring 2018 for fall 2018 admission, with no more than 18 units in spring 2018 to reach this unit requirement. A maximum of 16 quarter units of AP/IB/A Level exams may be used to meet the total unit requirement for TAG.
6. Complete four courses selected from among at least two of the following three areas with C grades or better in each course by the end of spring 2018 for fall 2018 admission:
 - › Arts and Humanities (designated UC-H on the UC-Transferable Course Agreement)
 - › Behavioral and Social Sciences (UC-B on the UC-Transferable Course Agreement)
 - › Biological and Physical Sciences (UC-S on the UC-Transferable Course Agreement)
7. Meet the following GPA requirements:
 - › Earn an overall minimum 3.20 GPA in all UC-transferable coursework by the end of fall 2017 **AND** maintain a minimum overall 3.20 GPA through the end of spring 2018
 - › Earn a minimum 2.0 GPA in all UC-transferable coursework in the fall 2017 term **AND** earn a minimum 2.0 GPA in all UC-transferable coursework in the spring 2018 term
8. For majors in Biological Sciences and Economics, complete required major preparation courses with a minimum GPA in those courses, as stated on the major articulation agreement.
 - › Biological Sciences majors: Aquatic Biology B.S., Biochemistry-Molecular Biology B.S., Biological Sciences B.A. and B.S., Cell and Developmental Biology B.S., Ecology and Evolution B.S., Microbiology B.S., Pharmacology B.S., Physiology B.S., Zoology B.S.
 - › Economics majors: Economics B.A., Economics and Accounting B.A.
 - › Major preparation articulation agreements can be found at www.assist.org under the “By Major” agreements between UCSB and California community colleges. The required major preparation courses and minimum GPA can be found in the Admission Selection Criteria section. Major preparation requirements are subject to change without notice.

Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC)

California community college transfer students may complete Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) in lieu of UCSB’s General Education (GE) requirements. IGETC is not required for TAG. Students planning to transfer into high-unit majors must be careful to complete lower division major prerequisites if they are to make normal, timely progress through the major. Therefore, students pursuing a high-unit major are advised to focus first on major preparation and then either IGETC or UCSB GE requirements.

IGETC or GE completion is not a requirement for admission to UCSB. If IGETC is completed prior to transfer, full certification from the community college must be sent to UCSB in order for the lower division GE requirements to be waived. If IGETC is not completed prior to transfer, check the articulation agreement for General Education/Breadth online at www.assist.org. There, a list of courses that will meet UCSB GE requirements is provided.