Steps to Enrollment

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View the Conditions of Admission and keep us informed of changes

Your admission to UCSB is provisional. Read the Freshman Conditions of Admission or Transfer Conditions of Admission carefully before you submit your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR). Signing your SIR certifies that you understand and agree to comply with all the conditions.
›   **Deadline:** Ongoing

Review your options for financial aid

Review Financial Aid Offer (if applicable)

Each applicant who submitted a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act Application (CADAA) and indicated UCSB as a college of choice may view a Financial Aid Offer from UCSB. The offer will be available approximately one week after admission decisions are released if the applicant chose UCSB on their FAFSA application and will provide a preliminary estimate of your aid eligibility. To access your Financial Aid Offer, log in to the Admissions Applicant Portal and select the "Check My Financial Aid Status" link. For more information about financial aid, including options for students who may qualify for aid under the California Dream Act, visit the UCSB Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships website.

Visit UCSB

›   **Open House: Saturday, April 9, 2022. Learn more and register online**
    Join us in-person for UCSB's annual Open House event. Programming will include outdoor resource and information fairs, live performances, and demonstrations. We hope you will join us to learn more about life at UCSB.
›   **Campus Visits:** Explore the UCSB campus by joining a student-led guided tour or register for a self-guided visit. Admitted Student Tours are available specifically for newly admitted students! More information about our other visit options can be found on our Campus Visits webpage.
›   **Live Virtual Tours:** If you're unable to visit campus in-person, join us for a live, virtual guided tour. Led by current students, the virtual tour will showcase the UCSB campus, academics, student life, and more with an opportunity for live Q&A. View the schedule and register online.
›   **Virtual Admitted Student Presentations:** The Office of Admissions will be offering Admitted Student Presentations for both freshmen and transfers to provide more information on enrolling at UCSB. Visit our Admitted Student Events page for available dates and to register.

View your options for housing

› **Freshman students:**
  › Use the [housing options filter](#) to find your home at UCSB! Select one or more types to display the living options that match your needs and eligibility. New freshmen will be able to submit a housing application between March 24-May 16.

› **Transfer students:**
  › Use the [housing options filter](#) to find your home at UCSB! Select one or more types to display the living options that match your needs and eligibility. New transfer students will be able to submit a housing application between April 22-June 15.

Campus safety

The university is committed to providing a safe and secure campus environment for our students, faculty, staff, and visitors. In accordance with the federal Clery Act, UC Santa Barbara publishes an Annual Security and Fire Safety Report (ASFSR). The ASFSR provides information regarding UC Santa Barbara safety and security policies, campus crime statistics, and resources for students and employees. It also contains information regarding campus fire safety policies and fire-related statistics for on-campus student housing facilities. To access the Annual Security and Fire Safety Report, visit www.police.ucsb.edu/asfsr. A copy of the ASFSR may also be requested by contacting the UC Santa Barbara Police Department at (805) 893-3446 or by visiting 574 Public Safety Bldg., Santa Barbara, CA 93106 during business hours.

Accepting Your Offer of Admission

Submit your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR)

To reserve your enrollment space at UC Santa Barbara, you must submit a Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) by the specified deadline.

Deadline: For most students, the SIR deadlines for fall quarter are **May 1** for freshmen and **June 1** for transfers. The deadline to submit (or postmark) your SIR is displayed when you log in to the [Applicant Portal](#).

To accept online:
  › Log in to the [Applicant Portal](#) and click the "Accept or Decline Admission" button.
  › Follow the instructions to complete the form and submit it electronically with your non-refundable $250 SIR deposit by the deadline noted in your Applicant Portal or your admission letter. Deposits can be made via credit card (2.75% fee applies) or e-check. Some students may qualify for a deferral, please go through the online payment section. If you qualify, the system will automatically approve the deferral.
  › *Wire transfers are NOT accepted* for SIR deposits.

To accept by mail (only if you are not able to submit your SIR online):
  › If you are not able to submit your deposit through the portal, you must print and complete the SIR PDF available in your portal. Mail submissions along with your payment

> postmarked by the SIR deadline printed on your SIR form. Otherwise, you may risk denial of enrollment due to space limitations.
> › Under Submission Options on page 4, select "Complete SIR and Payment by Mail."
> › Fill out and return the printed SIR along with the non-refundable $250 SIR deposit, a check payable to the "Regents of the University of California." Please write your permanent UCSB student identification number ("Perm" number), which is printed on your admission letter, on your check to help us credit the deposit to your account.
> › **Send your SIR and check to:** UC Santa Barbara, Office of Admissions, Attn: SIR Processing, 1210 Cheadle Hall, Santa Barbara, CA 93106-2014.

Notes:
> › If you have been admitted to more than one University of California campus, you may only return one positive SIR.
> › If you have decided not to register at UCSB, please log in and complete the SIR indicating your alternate plans.
> › If you wish to request a change in your major, follow the instructions on the Major Changes page.
> › If you have questions, contact the Office of Admissions at admissions@sa.ucsb.edu.

Submit your Statement of Legal Residence (SLR) when you complete your online SIR

Submitting the online Statement of Legal Residence (SLR) is mandatory for all students who attend UCSB, regardless of the residency information you provided on your UC admission application. The information you provide on your SLR is used by the Office of the Registrar to determine your residency classification for tuition and fee purposes. Therefore, all students are considered non-residents until they have submitted the SLR and California residency is confirmed. **PLEASE NOTE:** Failure to submit the SLR will result in the assessment of out-of-state tuition and fees and may prevent disbursement of financial aid and course enrollment.

You may access the Statement of Legal Residence directly from your SIR confirmation page or from the Office of the Registrar. The SLR is available online only. If you have questions regarding residency requirements, please visit the Office of the Registrar and click on "Fees & Residency" or email residency@sa.ucsb.edu.

Establish your UCSBnetID and UCSB U-Mail email account

All new students are required to have a UCSBnetID and a UCSB U-Mail account to conduct university business. Your UCSBnetID will give you access to the majority of the online services you will need to use during your academic career. U-Mail is UCSB's student email service, to which all official correspondence is sent. Once activated, all University business will be sent to this email address, and students are expected to check this account regularly. U-Mail messages may be forwarded to another account if you choose to do so.

A few days after you submit your SIR you will be eligible to activate your UCSBnetID and U-Mail account. To do so, sign in to the UCSB Identity Manager. The Identity Manager service will activate both your UCSBnetID and U-Mail account. The UCSB Student Support Center is available for assistance if you have any problems activating your account. Do not click any

links from senders you do not recognize. Visit the UCSB Information Security site for more information.

International Students:
If you are an international student or you did not enter a Social Security Number (SSN) in your UC application, please enter "0000" as the last four digits of your SSN when setting up your UCSBnetID.

Within 72 hours of establishing your UCSBnetID and UCSB U-mail email account, you will receive an email from the Office of International Students & Scholars (OISS) to your UCSB email address with instructions on how to access UCSBGlobal and request your I-20 or DS-2019. All international students must have an I-20 or DS-2019 issued by UCSB OISS prior to starting their program. For more information on how to request your immigration document from OISS, please visit the Newly Admitted Students page.

If you are an international transfer student, you must initiate a transfer with your previous school **and** make a request in UCSBGlobal for a transfer-in I-20 from OISS. Your I-20 is not automatically transferred or created, you must initiate the transfer process at both institutions. You can find more information on the Newly Admitted Transfer Students page.

Complete the housing application
Freshman students:
› Return your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) by May 1.
› After you return your SIR and it is recorded in the UCSB Housing database (usually within a business day), you will be able to complete your housing application online.
› The deadline is **May 16 at 4pm (Pacific Time)**. Please visit the freshmen housing application for more information.

Transfer students:
› Return your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) by June 1.
› After you return your SIR and it is recorded in the UCSB Housing database (usually within a business day), you will be able to complete your housing application online. The deadline is **June 15 at 4pm (Pacific Time)**. Please visit the transfer housing application for more information.

Review and agree to UC requirements for health insurance coverage by September 1
All registered UC students are required to have medical health insurance that meets minimum coverage limits. It is a condition of enrollment AND a non-academic requirement of registration. Please log on to the Student Health Gateway Portal and follow the "Medical Clearances" menu to acknowledge the University of California's insurance requirement.

UCSB students are automatically enrolled in Student Health Insurance Plan (UC-SHIP), which includes medical, vision, and dental coverage, and access to UCSB Student Health with most services having no additional charges. The premium for UC-SHIP will be factored into your cost

of attendance and will therefore be included in your Financial Aid Award. The insurance premium will automatically be included in your quarterly BARC bill.

If you have adequate private insurance and do not wish to be enrolled in UC-SHIP, you must take action and submit a waiver. The act of waiving requires the student to upload insurance documentation into a secure website and receive written email confirmation that their waiver was approved. Please note that your Financial Aid Award will change if you waive out of UC-SHIP. For more information, please review the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships' Policy Information page. The waiver deadline is **September 1.** Once a waiver request has been approved, it remains in effect until the beginning of the next academic year.

Students with approved waivers may purchase pre-paid access to most Student Health services through the Gaucho Access Plan (GAP).

Submit your immunization information by the first day of the quarter

All incoming and re-admitted students are required to complete a Tuberculosis (TB) screening and satisfy immunization compliance requirements as mandated by the UC Office of the President. The recommended due date for your Entry Immunization Requirements is before the start of your first quarter. Failure to comply with the requirements will result in a registration block for the following quarter. We strongly encourage you to start this process early, as you may be required to complete additional steps prior to your arrival on campus.

Instructions for completing these requirements can be found on the Student Health website. Students can complete Tuberculosis (TB) screening, enter required immunization dates and upload immunization records on the Student Health Service Patient Portal.

The COVID-19 Vaccine Requirement is due prior to arriving on campus. If you received your vaccine in another country, please check and see if it will be acceptable in the U.S. UCSB accepts WHO-approved vaccinations only. Students can refer to this list to see if their vaccination is approved.

The Student Health Service Patient Portal requires the use of Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) with Duo. If you have not yet set up MFA/Duo, please visit it.ucsb.edu/mfa and enroll your device today.

The Instructions for completing the COVID-19 requirement can be found on the Student Health website. Additional updates related to COVID-19 will be sent via email after enrollment. For questions regarding this requirement please contact covid19-vaccine@ucsb.edu.

Satisfy the Entry Level Writing Requirement

All **transfer** students have already satisfied the Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) with their transfer coursework.

All students who enter the University of California as **freshmen** must demonstrate their command of the English language by fulfilling the Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR). To

satisfy the ELWR, all students must take UCSB's Collaborative Writing Placement (CWP)—or, for international students, the ELPE—to enroll in any UCSB writing course unless they have satisfied the ELWR requirement in one of the ways described on the Writing Program website.

Students should take the Collaborative Writing Placement program if they have not satisfied the ELWR requirement in one of the ways described on the Writing Program website.

Most students will be able to satisfy the ELWR by taking Writing 1 (Approaches to University Writing). However, some students for whom English is not their first language may require assessment via the English for Multilingual Students (EMS) Program. Students placed into EMS Program courses will satisfy the ELWR by taking Linguistics 12 (Approaches to University Writing for Multilingual Students). Students whose written performance indicates a need for additional academic writing instruction will be required to take from one to three sequential pre-ELWR courses (Linguistics 3A, 3B, or 3C).

- **International students:** International students will take the English Language Placement Exam (ELPE) online in June. The ELPE will place students into the appropriate course(s) in order to satisfy the ELWR. Students who take the ELPE may be placed into Writing 1, Linguistics 12 or, if written performance indicates a need for additional academic writing instruction prior to the ELWR courses, into one of three pre-ELWR courses (Linguistics 3A, 3B or 3C).

  Multiple sections of Writing 1 and Linguistics 12 are offered during fall, winter and spring quarters. Qualified students may also take Writing 1 at UCSB during the Freshman Summer Start Program or Linguistics 12 during Summer Sessions. Prior to a student's first quarter at UCSB, including during the summer term, transferable college English composition courses taken at a community college and completed with a grade of C or better, will also satisfy the requirement. All students must fulfill the Entry Level Writing Requirement by the end of their third quarter at UCSB.

If you have any questions regarding the Collaborative Writing Placement program, please contact placement@writing.ucsb.edu. If you have questions regarding the English Language Placement Exam (ELPE), please contact EMSplacement@linguistics.ucsb.edu.

After You Accept

Reserve your space for Orientation
Orientation session registration opens in mid-May.
- › **Two-day freshman orientation sessions: June 23 through August 5**
- › **One-day transfer orientation sessions: August 8, 9, 10, 11, 12**
- › **Transfer online module:** Opens June 1

You are strongly encouraged to attend orientation. While not mandatory, orientation gives you an important head start in preparing for your college career. UCSB offers approximately 17

orientation sessions each summer for new students and their parents. These sessions are two days for freshmen and one day for transfer students. They include extensive academic advising, and students who complete orientation are given a priority status to register for classes. Detailed information is available on the [Orientation Programs](#) website.

Beginning in mid-May, all new students who have returned their Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) can sign up for orientation by submitting a reservation on the Orientation Programs website. Space in each orientation session is limited and session dates will close when full.

International Students: International students currently outside of the U.S. will not be able to enter the U.S. with their student visa more than 30 days prior to the start of classes. Online orientation sessions for international freshmen will be offered during the summer; additional information will be sent via University email. International transfer students should complete the transfer module and are strongly encouraged to attend a transfer orientation session.

All incoming international students are required to attend mandatory CALI Training (Cultural Awareness, Laws, and Immigration Training) hosted by the Office of International Students & Scholars. CALI Training takes place in September. Please visit the [OISS CALI Training](#) website for more information. Also, please visit the International Students page on the [Orientation Programs](#) website for information on both required and optional pre-fall programs.

Submit official transcripts and test scores

› **Transcript submission deadline:** July 1
› **Test score submission deadline:** July 15
› Summer session transcripts are due September 1

The Office of Admissions must receive the following:

› **Official final high school transcript:** Final high school transcripts are required of new freshmen. Your final high school transcript must show the exact date of your graduation. "Class of 2022" is not acceptable. Transcripts are considered official when they are delivered directly from the school.
› Transfers are also required to submit a final high school transcript unless the student is submitting an official full UC IGETC certification from a community college. UCSB will continue to require your high school transcript until an official full UC IGETC certification is received by the Office of Admissions. An official high school transcript or full UC IGETC certification is due to the Office of Admissions by **July 15, 2022**.
› Official transcripts from all colleges you have attended.
› Official Advanced Placement (AP) exam, International Baccalaureate (IB) score reports, TOEFL, IELTS, and Duolingo English Test (DET) results, if applicable. The results must be sent directly from the testing agency to the Office of Admissions.
› If you plan to take courses during the summer, submit transcripts by September 1 to avoid a delay in receiving transferable credit for completed coursework.

Official transcripts can be submitted electronically using Credentials Solutions/eSCRIP-SAFE, eTranscript CA, JST DoD Military Transcripts, Kiteworks, National Student Clearinghouse, Parchment Exchange1, Scribbles Software, SCOIR, SPEEDE, or by physical mail. **Send transcripts**

and test scores to: Office of Admissions, UC Santa Barbara, 1210 Cheadle Hall, Santa Barbara, CA 93106-2014.

Missing transcripts and/or test scores will result in your registration being blocked and ultimately the withdrawal of your admission offer. Delays in receiving official transcripts may also jeopardize your financial aid and/or housing possibilities, will disadvantage you in the academic advising process and can affect enrollment in appropriate courses.

Log into My Aid Status to review the status of your financial aid, view any pending documents, and make note of any upcoming deadlines

My Aid Status serves as the financial aid login portal for UCSB students who have filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or a California Dream Act Application (CADAA). Students will be able to access their aid status by logging into My Aid Status with their UCSB Net ID and password. Once logged in, students can review any required documents, evaluate the Official Financial Aid Award Letter, accept student loans and view scheduled financial aid disbursements for upcoming terms. The Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships encourages students to utilize "My Aid Status" frequently in order to stay up-to-date on their financial aid.

Consider an early start at UCSB with the Freshman Summer Start Program or Transfer Edge

The Freshman Summer Start Program (FSSP)
› **Program Dates:** July 29 - September 10, 2022
› **Applications Open:** April 18, 2022

The Freshman Summer Start Program (FSSP) is designed to help admitted first-year students successfully transition from high school to UC Santa Barbara. This innovative, six-week program offers freshmen a unique opportunity to take UC Santa Barbara courses for full academic credit and participate in a wide range of academic and social activities. FSSP participants earn between 7 and 12 units and benefit from small class sizes that foster a personal connection with esteemed faculty. FSSP students build a supportive community through social activities. Students live together in the San Nicolas Residence Hall, forging friendships that endure long past the program's conclusion. Financial aid is available for eligible students. Out-of-state/international students pay the same fees as California residents during FSSP. To learn more about the steps to summer enrollment and to apply, click here.

› **Freshman Summer Start Program (FSSP) - EOP Satellite Office Support**
The Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) program (read more about EOP in the next step, below) provides support during Freshman Summer Start Program (FSSP) by including two EOP Counselors and four Peer Mentors who provide counseling/advising that specifically addresses the needs of first-year students who are identified as members of EOP enrolled in FSSP. Additionally, EOP works in collaboration with campus partners by designing and providing specialized programs and activities for student participation. In line with our EOP mission, we focus our services towards our first

generation and income eligible students, however we assist all students enrolled in FSSP regardless of EOP membership.

Transfer Edge
›   **Program Dates:** July 31 – September 10, 2022
›   **Applications Open:** April 25, 2022

Transfer Edge is specially designed to help incoming transfer students make a successful academic and social transition to UC Santa Barbara. Newly admitted transfer students will get a head start on their degree objectives by enrolling in major and required courses and receiving individualized advice from campus experts. Participants will be exposed to unique professional development opportunities, build a supportive community with peers through fun social activities, and exchange ideas with faculty and graduate students. A summer start helps students gain an academic edge, preparing them for the rigors of a full course schedule in the fall quarter. Financial aid and incentive opportunities are available for eligible students. To learn more about the steps to summer enrollment and to apply, click here.

Consider Participating in EOP's Summer Transitional Programs

EOP Summer Transitional Enrichment Program (STEP) for First-year Freshmen Students
›   **STEP dates:** August 14-24, 2022
›   **Application deadlines:** https://eop.sa.ucsb.edu/summer-programs/step
›   **Note:** STEP 2022 will be a hybrid virtual/stay-at-home program. Additional updates related to COVID-19 will be sent via email after enrollment.

The Summer Transitional Enrichment Program (STEP) is a FREE, virtual (remote) ten-day program for incoming first-year students in the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) held in late summer before students begin their first fall quarter. EOP is a program that provides counseling, advising, peer mentorship, workshops and programming primarily for undergraduate students who are income eligible and of the first generation in their families to attend and graduate from a four year university.

The purpose of STEP is to facilitate the transition of EOP students to UCSB. During STEP, students receive an introduction to college-level courses and coursework and various valuable resources available to them on campus. Workshops, lectures, and other programs provide opportunities for students to learn outside the classroom. Students discover ways to enrich their college experience while creating social and support networks on campus in order to cultivate a sense of belonging to the university community. **Note: STEP does not replace New Student Orientation**.

EOP Summer Transfer Transition Program (STTP) For First-year Transfer Students
›   **STTP dates:** August 14-24, 2022
›   **Application deadlines:** http://eop.sa.ucsb.edu/summer-programs/sttp
›   **Note:** STTP 2022 will be a hybrid virtual/stay-at-home program. Additional updates related to COVID-19 will be sent via email after enrollment.

The Summer Transfer Transition Program (STTP) is a free ten-day virtual program for incoming transfer students in the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP). The

purpose of STTP is to facilitate the transition of EOP transfer students to UCSB. Students will be attending academic, social and career focused workshops and programs to provide opportunities to learn outside the classroom. Students discover ways to enrich their college experience and cultivate a sense of belonging at UCSB. **Note**: **STTP does not replace New Student Orientation**.

Enter your parent or guardian contact information

› **Deadline:** Ongoing

Students must provide contact information for a parent, guardian or other contact to be used in case of an emergency and for periodic official campus communications. To add a parent or guardian contact, log into the Applicant Portal and click on "Complete the Parent/Guardian Contact Form" in the "Steps to Enrollment" tab. If you do not have a parent or guardian, the form will allow you to select "other" in the "Relationship" field and include an alternate contact.

Get Ready to Start!

Register for classes & customize GOLD

We strongly encourage you to attend orientation, where new students are assisted in the registration process. New students who do not attend orientation should register online during their Pass 2 registration appointment time in September. You will receive an email from the Office of the Registrar with more information. International students will receive an email with information about registering for courses.

The UCSB General Catalog contains major requirements, course descriptions and prerequisites. Twelve units per quarter is the minimum to maintain full-time registered status. UCSB undergraduates typically register for 12-17 units per quarter.

For important enrollment information, deadlines, and to search for classes, log into GOLD. Please note that to use GOLD (Gaucho On-Line Data System) you must have activated your U-Mail account and UCSBnetID (please see the "Accepting Your Offer" section above for information). To see enrollment information and search for classes without logging into GOLD, visit the Class Search page.

While you are in GOLD, visit the My Personal Information page where you can ensure that the information there is current and complete. Scroll down to the Pronouns section and choose from the drop-down menu. The pronouns you select will appear on course rosters and in GauchoSpace, the online learning environment for UCSB. To learn more about pronouns, review Pronouns 101. All students are encouraged to select their pronouns in GOLD.

Pay fall fees

› **Deadline:** September 15

The exact cost of attending the University of California, Santa Barbara will vary. A detailed breakdown of estimated expenses is available on the UCSB Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships' Cost of Attendance page.

The university's billing system (known as Billing, Accounts Receivable and Collections, or "BARC") consolidates all of the financial transactions related to attending UCSB into one account. This includes all debts owed to the university such as fees, campus housing expenses, lab fees or library fines as well as all credits such as your Financial Aid and Scholarship transactions and payments made by you or by your family. Gaucho E-Bill is the electronic bill presentment system employed by the university to notify students of their financial obligations to the university. Billing statements are not mailed to students or parents. Each month an email is sent to students' U-Mail addresses notifying them that their bill can be viewed and paid. In order for parents to receive email notifications and gain access to Gaucho E-Bill, students must first authorize parent users to their account. More information can be found on the BARC website, including step-by-step instructions on how to add a Parent User. New students can expect their first billing statement notification during the month of August, with payment due September 15. Failure to meet financial obligations on time will result in a $50 late payment fee and/or being dropped from your classes. Fee payment deadlines are published quarterly in the Schedule of Classes.

Don't miss important dates and deadlines

It is your responsibility to check your U-Mail for information and to meet all deadlines. See the Office of Admissions Dates and Deadlines page and don't miss a deadline!

Event/Task	Deadline
Financial Aid Documents Deadline	June 15, 2022
Submit Transcripts	July 1, 2022
Housing Application Deadlines	Freshmen: May 16, 2022, 4pm (Pacific time) Transfer: June 15, 2022, 4pm (Pacific time)
Insurance Waiver Deadline	September 1, 2022
Pay Fees	September 15, 2022
Move In Weekend (Tentative)	September 17-18, 2022
New Student Convocation	September 19, 2022
Instruction Begins	September 22, 2022

Please review important support systems online

There are important student support systems throughout the university. A useful list of support services and web pages is available online. Please review the information as part of your Steps to Enrollment and bookmark the page for your future reference.