UC SANTA BARBARA
Transfer Admission Guarantee
Fall 2024

The following information outlines the UCSB Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) for the College of Letters and Science for the fall 2024 term only. UCSB does not provide an early evaluation or early decision for TAG applicants. Applicants will be notified of their admission decisions in April.

Majors Without TAG

TAG does not apply to:
► Any major in the College of Creative Studies
► Any major in the College of Engineering (including Computer Science)
► Dance B.A., Dance B.F.A., Music B.M., or Theater B.F.A. in the College of Letters & Science

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 #11 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**.

Pre-Majors

Some UCSB majors require students to complete certain pre-major requirements at UCSB 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. After enrolling, students may contact UCSB academic department advisors to discuss pre-major requirements.

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. All students should select their major carefully and complete as much major preparation as possible prior to transfer.

► A maximum of 70 UC-transferable semester units (105 quarter units) of lower-division coursework from any college or university will transfer to UC. Most 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 UC 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.
► UC allows a maximum of 14 semester/21 quarter units of Pass or Credit grades to reach the minimum number of units needed for admission eligibility. Due to COVID-19, any units earned with Pass or Credit grading in the winter, spring and summer terms of 2020 will not count toward UC's limit of 14 semester/21 quarter transferable units.

Please note that UCSB's College of Letters & Science expects students to earn their degree without exceeding 200 quarter units.

Conditions of the Guarantee

1. Submit a TAG application using the UC TAP tool at **https://uctap.universityofcalifornia.edu/** during the filing period for fall 2024 (September 1-30, 2023).

2. Submit your UC application to UCSB during the filing period for fall 2024 (October 1-November 30, 2023) for the same major as the TAG application. Then, submit the Transfer Academic Update (TAU) by the end of March 2024 and respond to all UC requests for information.

3. Complete at least 30 UC-transferable semester units (or 45 UC-transferable quarter units) by the end of summer 2023, prior to TAG submission.

4. Complete the following required courses with C grades or better by the end of fall 2023:
   ▶ One English composition course (UC-E on the UC-Transferable Course Agreement)
   ▶ One mathematics course (UC-M on the UC-Transferable Course Agreement)

5. Complete a **second** English composition course (UC-E on the UC-Transferable Course Agreement) with a grade of C or better by the end of spring 2024.

6. Complete at least 60 UC-transferable semester units (or 90 UC-transferable quarter units) by the end of spring 2024 (with no more than 18 units needed in spring 2024 to reach the total unit requirement.) At least 30 of the 60 semester units (or at least 45 of the 90 quarter units) must be completed at one or more California community colleges.

7. Attend a California community college (CCC) in your last regular term (fall, winter, or spring) prior to transfer. Up to one non-CCC course may be taken in your last regular term if you are concurrently enrolled in at least 6 semester/8 quarter units of UC-transferable coursework at a CCC. A gap in attendance is acceptable, but the most recent regular term must be at a California community college.

8. 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 2024:
   ▶ Arts and Humanities (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)

9. Meet the following GPA requirements:
   ▶ Earn an overall minimum 3.40 GPA in all UC-transferable coursework by the end of fall 2023.
   ▶ Earn a minimum 2.0 GPA in all UC-transferable coursework in the fall 2023, winter 2024 and spring 2024 terms with no grade lower than C (2.0).

10. If you ever attended a UC, you must be in good standing at that UC.

11. Complete required major preparation courses with a minimum GPA in those courses, as stated on the major articulation agreements at **www.assist.org** (applicants in Biological Sciences, Economics, Mathematics, and Physics only).
   ▶ **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.
   ▶ **Mathematics majors:** Applied Mathematics B.S., Mathematics B.A., Mathematics B.S.
   ▶ **Physics majors:** Physics B.A., Physics B.S.
   ▶ Major 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.

⌐i⌐ *Major preparation requirements are subject to change without notice.*

Timeline of UCSB TAG Review

UCSB TAG review occurs once we have received your UC application and your Transfer Academic Update (TAU). Your admission decision will be based on all academic information available at the time of review. That decision is final. Schedule or grade changes made after the decision will not be considered.