Attending a community college is a great way to save money, transition to a university environment and still get all the benefits of a world-class education. For fall 2017, we accepted 62 percent of transfer applicants, giving highest priority to junior-level transfer applicants from California community colleges.

1. UC TRANSFER ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

As a junior transfer student, you must fulfill all of the following requirements:

- Complete 60 semester (90 quarter) units of transferable credit. No more than 14 semester (21 quarter) units may be taken Pass/No Pass.
- Earn an overall 2.40 GPA or higher in all UC-transferable college coursework (2.80 GPA required for residents outside of California).
- Complete the following seven transferable college courses, earning a grade of C or better in each course:
  - Two courses in English composition
  - One course in mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning
  - Four courses chosen from at least two of these subject areas: arts and humanities; social and behavioral sciences; and physical and biological sciences

For the best transition and reduced time to degree, students should consider completing all lower-division major preparatory coursework listed at assist.org.

2. UC DAVIS SELECTION CRITERIA

Transfer admission to UC Davis is based primarily on an applicant's academic preparation. To be a competitive candidate for admission, you must be well prepared with coursework in your intended major and maintain a GPA of 2.80 or higher; candidates for admission to the College of Engineering should maintain a GPA of 3.10 or higher.

Fall 2017 Admitted Transfer Student Profile

Range represents the middle 50 percent of admitted students, so 25 percent of all admitted transfer students fall above or below the range shown. Students admitted to UC Davis typically exceed admission requirements (Data as of 6/22/17).

GPA 3.29–3.78

Deadline for Completion of Requirements

All applicants must complete UC transfer admission requirements and UC Davis selection criteria by the end of spring term before fall enrollment. Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) applicants must also complete UC transfer requirements in English and mathematics by the end of fall term, prior to enrollment. We strongly recommend that non-TAG applicants meet these same English and mathematics deadlines in order to receive priority consideration.

Selecting a General Education Pattern

The general education (GE) pattern you choose to follow is another important consideration as you plan your transfer admission, though it is not an admission requirement. You should place the highest priority on completing transferable courses for your UC Davis major. Visit ucdavis.edu/transfer-planning to learn more about selecting a GE pattern: either UC Davis GE or the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC).

How to Calculate Your GPA

UC Davis calculates your GPA based upon UC-transferable coursework. California community college students should visit assist.org to identify transferable courses.

Submit your TAG application September 1–30, 2017

Learn more at ucdavis.edu/tag
Jessica Vander Molen ’17  
Communication Major  
Wilton, California  
Transferred from Foothill College

Kyle Vander Molen ’17  
Communication Major  
Borculo, Michigan  
Transferred from Foothill College

Jessica and Kyle, who met as U.S. Marines on a disaster relief mission in Asia, are strong advocates of the support programs available through the UC Davis Transfer and Reentry Center and Veterans Success Center. Both benefited from the Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) program. “As long as you complete lower-division requirements in community college, you can focus on upper division coursework at UC Davis,” Kyle explained. Jessica added, “The UC Davis Student Academic Success Center offers amazing resources for all students.”

Selective Majors

Students applying to the following selective majors must meet supplementary grade and coursework requirements. All courses must be taken for a letter grade with no grade less than C, or be satisfied by Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) Higher Level examination score equivalencies. All major preparatory course requirements must be completed by the end of spring term before fall enrollment.

College of Biological Sciences  
• Biochemistry and Molecular Biology  
• Biological Sciences  
• Cell Biology  
• Evolution, Ecology and Biodiversity  
• Genetics and Genomics  
• Marine and Coastal Science  
• Microbiology  
• Neurobiology, Physiology and Behavior  
• Plant Biology

College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences  
• Biotechnology  
• Viticulture and Enology

College of Engineering  
• Aerospace Science and Engineering  
• Biochemical Engineering  
• Biological Systems Engineering  
• Biomedical Engineering  
• Chemical Engineering  
• Civil Engineering  
• Computer Engineering  
• Computer Science and Engineering  
• Electrical Engineering  
• Environmental Engineering  
• Materials Science and Engineering  
• Mechanical Engineering

College of Letters and Science  
• Computer Science  
• Psychology

For fall 2020 applicants, Applied Physics, Mathematics, Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Physics majors will become selective and require preparatory coursework for admission. Visit ucdavis.edu/admissions/transfer/major-requirements-college-letters-sciences for more information.
Transfer Selection Policy

College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

To be a competitive candidate for admission to selective majors and the pre-major in this college, you must have an overall GPA of 2.80 or higher.

Biotechnology

Complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses with a GPA of at least 2.50 for each of the three course groups. Candidates are required to meet or exceed minimum GPAs in the groups below for coursework that has been completed at the time of application and to maintain GPAs through the transfer academic update filing period:

- Mathematics 16A/B or 17A/B or 21A/B
- Chemistry 2A/B/C
- Biological Sciences 2A or 2B or 2C

A minimum of one course comparable to a UC Davis Biological Sciences 2 series course must be completed with a B grade or better for admission. If multiple courses are required to satisfy one UC Davis Biological Sciences 2 series course, each of those courses must be completed and the GPA for those courses must be 3.00 or higher.

If courses comparable to two UC Davis Biological Sciences 2 series courses or the entire Biological Sciences 2 series are completed, a group GPA of 2.50 or higher is required.

We strongly encourage you to complete the entire Biological Sciences 2A/B/C series before matriculating to UC Davis, as that series is a prerequisite for many upper-division courses.

It is also strongly recommended that you complete courses comparable to the UC Davis courses below. Completion of these courses will help you move more efficiently toward graduation:

- Organic Chemistry 8A/B or 118A/B/C

Additional TAG Requirement:

If only one course within the Biological Sciences series is completed before submitting the UC TAG application, a letter grade of B or better must be earned.

Landscape Architecture (Pre-Major)

Students who wish to major in landscape architecture must apply to “Landscape Architecture, Pre.” After applying for admission, students submit a separate portfolio application to the landscape architecture program in February, either before or after enrollment at UC Davis. Contact the Landscape Architecture Advising Office at 530-754-8628 or visit humanecology.ucdavis.edu/lda for details.

Viticulture and Enology

Complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses with a GPA of at least 3.00 for the group. It is required that candidates achieve minimum required GPAs for courses in the groups below that have been completed at the time of application, and candidates should maintain those GPAs through the transfer academic update filing period:

- General Chemistry 2A/B/C
- Organic Chemistry 8A
- Mathematics 16A
- Physics 1A/B or 7A
- Biological Sciences 2A

It is strongly recommended that you complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses. If taken, you must have a GPA of at least 3.00 for the entire group of courses listed above and below:

- Organic Chemistry 8B
- Mathematics 16B
- Plant Sciences 2

College of Biological Sciences

All majors in the College of Biological Sciences are selective. To be a competitive candidate for admission, you must have an overall GPA of 2.80 or higher.

Complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses with a GPA of at least 2.50 for each of the three course groups. It is recommended that candidates achieve minimum required GPAs for courses in the groups below that have been completed at the time of application, and candidates should maintain those GPAs through the transfer academic update filing period:

- Mathematics 17A/B/C or 21A/B
- Chemistry 2A/B/C
- Biological Sciences 2A/B/C

Prior to transfer, we strongly encourage you to complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses:

- Organic Chemistry 8A/B or 118A/B/C
- Physics 7A/B/C or the physics series cited on assist.org for your intended major. Completion of the physics series is especially useful for students applying to the Neurobiology, Physiology and Behavior major.

*Students preparing for the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology major should complete Organic Chemistry 118A/B/C rather than 8A/B.
All majors in the College of Engineering are selective. To be a competitive candidate for admission, you must have an overall GPA of 3.10 or higher. TAG applicants must have an overall GPA of 3.30 or higher.

Applicants must complete all lower-division courses required for their specific major. Complete courses comparable to those cited on the 2016-17 articulation agreement under “Courses Required for Admission” available on assist.org.* The required course group must be completed with a cumulative GPA of 3.20 or higher for coursework completed at the time of application and through the transfer academic update filing period. Required coursework varies by major, though the following UC Davis courses are common to all engineering majors:

- Mathematics 21A/B/C/D
- Mathematics 22A/B
- Physics 9A/B
- Physics 9C (except Environmental Engineering major)
- Chemistry 2A

Environmental Engineering is a new major. In addition to the courses common to all engineering majors noted above, students are required to complete:

- Chemistry 2B/C
- Engineering 6 or Engineering Computer Science 30
- Engineering 35
- English 3 or University Writing Program 1
- Geology 50 or Atmospheric Science 60

*Fall 2018 applicants should note the following exceptions to required courses cited on the 2016-17 ASSIST articulation agreement:

- Aerospace Science and Engineering: Physics 9D is no longer required
- Biochemical Engineering: ENG CMS 6 has been canceled; the major now requires ENG CHM 60 or ENG CS 30 or ENGIN 6
- Chemical Engineering: An option to complete ENGIN 17 or ENGIN 35 or ENGIN 45 is now offered. ENG CMS 6 has been canceled; the major now requires ENG CHM 60 or ENG CS 30 or ENGIN 6
- Civil Engineering: ENGIN 43 is no longer required
- Materials Science and Engineering: ENG CMS 6 has been canceled; the major now requires ENG CHM 60 or ENG CS 30 or ENGIN 6
- Mechanical Engineering: Physics 9D is no longer recommended

Though not required for admission, the College of Engineering strongly recommends that the following courses be completed before transferring. Otherwise, students will be required to complete these courses at UC Davis for graduation.

- Electrical Engineering majors:
  Communication 1 or 3, Engineering 6, English 3 and University Writing Program 1
- Mechanical Engineering majors:
  Communication 1 or 3, Engineering 45, English 3 and University Writing Program 1

Only courses comparable to UC Davis University Writing Program 1 can be used to satisfy the lower-division composition requirement for Biological Systems Engineering students.

View College of Engineering Transfer Credit Agreements (engineering grid) for California community colleges at engineering.ucdavis.edu/transfer-credit-agreements and visit cs.ucdavis.edu/undergraduate/transfer-student-guide for more information about transfer admission priorities in the College of Engineering. Learn about selective major requirements in the College of Engineering at ucdavis.edu/admissions/transfer/major-requirements-college-engineering.

College of Letters and Science

To be a competitive candidate for admission to selective majors in this college, you must have an overall GPA of 2.80 or higher.
1 Check our application basics at: ucdavis.edu/apply/undergraduate
2 Review our Personal Insight Question tips at: ucdavis.edu/application-questions
3 Start your UC application online as early as August 1 at: universityofcalifornia.edu/apply
   • Select your major and an alternate major.
   • If you are applying for scholarships, be sure to check the “release authorization” box.
4 Submit your application by November 30, along with the application fee for each campus: $70 for domestic applicants, $80 for international applicants. Find out if you are eligible for fee waivers at ucdavis.edu/apply/fee-waiver.

Personal Insight Questions
Your responses to four personal insight questions are an important component of your application for admission and scholarships.

Transfer applicants must respond to four short-answer prompts—one mandatory prompt and their choice of three from seven options. Each response is limited to a maximum of 350 words; there is no advantage or disadvantage in choosing certain optional prompts. See a list of personal insight questions and response tips at ucdavis.edu/application-questions.

Estimated Costs for 2017–18
California resident tuition and fees .......... $14,382
Books and supplies ................................... $1,253
Room and board* ................................... $16,136
Personal expenses ................................. $1,281
Transportation ........................................ $381
Total estimated cost .............................. $33,433

All tuition and fee amounts are subject to change without prior notice and do not include campus health insurance fees of about $2,298. For detailed information, including nonresident tuition and fees, please visit ucdavis.edu/admissions/cost.

*Approximate cost of living in on campus housing

Majors ucdavis.edu/majors

- Aerospace Science and Engineering
- African American and African Studies
- Agricultural and Environmental Education
- American Studies
- Animal Biology
- Animal Science
- Animal Science and Management
- Anthropology
- Applied Mathematics
- Applied Physics
- Art History
- Art Studio
- Asian American Studies
- Atmospheric Science
- Biomedical Engineering
- Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
- Biological Sciences
- Biological Systems Engineering
- Biomedical Engineering
- Biotechnology
- Cell Biology
- Chemical Engineering
- Chemical Physics
- Chemistry
- Chicana/Chicana Studies
- Chinese
- Cinema and Digital Media
- Civil Engineering
- Classical Civilization
- Clinical Nutrition
- Cognitive Science
- Communication
- Community and Regional Development
- Comparative Literature
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Computer Science and Engineering
- Design
- East Asian Studies
- Ecological Management and Restoration
- Economics
- Electrical Engineering
- English
- Entomology
- Environmental Engineering
- Environmental Horticulture and Urban Forestry
- Environmental Policy Analysis and Planning
- Environmental Science and Management
- Environmental Toxicology
- Evolution, Ecology and Biodiversity
- Fiber and Polymer Science (suspended 2017–19)
- Food Science
- French
- Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies
- Genetics and Genomics
- Geology
- German
- Global Disease Biology
- History
- Human Development
- Hydrology
- International Agricultural Development
- International Relations
- Italian
- Japanese
- Landscape Architecture
- Linguistics
- Managerial Economics
- Marine and Coastal Science
- Marine Ecology and Organismal Biology
- Marine and Coastal Science
- Marine Environmental Chemistry
- Marine and Coastal Science
- Oceans and the Earth System
- Materials Science and Engineering
- Mathematical Analytics and Operations Research
- Mathematical and Scientific Computation
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Medieval and Early Modern Studies
- Microbiology
- Middle East/South Asia Studies
- Music
- Native American Studies
- Neurobiology, Physiology and Behavior
- Nutrition Science
- Pharmaceutical Chemistry
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Plant Biology
- Plant Sciences
- Political Science
- Political Science—Public Service
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Russian
- Science and Technology Studies
- Sociology
- Sociology—Organizational Studies
- Spanish
- Statistics
- Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems
- Sustainable Environmental Design
- Textiles and Clothing (suspended 2018-19)
- Theatre and Dance
- Undeclared—Fine Arts
- Undeclared—Humanities
- Undeclared—Life Sciences
- Undeclared—Physical Sciences
- Undeclared—Social Sciences
- Undeclared/Exploratory—College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences
- Viticulture and Enology
- Wildlife, Fish and Conservation Biology

*The Marine and Coastal Science major is offered with four different emphases through three academic colleges. Please visit ucdavis.edu/majors/blog to learn about academic college requirements for the emphasis you wish to pursue.

P Program designed for entering freshmen only
L Program designed for entering freshmen and lower-division transfer students.
M Major also available as a minor
T Transfer applicants must complete specific preparatory coursework with required GPA before admission.

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