

A man in a U.S. Air Force camouflage uniform and sunglasses sits on a wooden bench, smiling. A young woman with long brown hair, wearing an orange long-sleeved shirt and black pants, leans her head against his shoulder and smiles. They are outdoors, with trees and a grassy area in the background. The bench is made of weathered wood with blue metal posts.

UC DAVIS

**WELCOME
TO OUR AGGIE FAMILY**

CONGRATULATIONS!

Your student has worked hard to qualify for admission to the University of California, Davis, a top-10 nationally ranked university. Along the way, you've guided them with loving support.

As they take their next life step, UC Davis will continue that support by helping your student thrive within our welcoming, world-class academic community.

2018–19 CAMPUS HOLIDAYS



Thanksgiving Holiday
November 22–23



Winter Holiday
December 15–January 6



Spring Break
March 23–31



Summer Break
Begins June 14



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

What is UC Davis like?

The UC Davis campus is safe and welcoming, with plenty of outdoor spaces and a friendly feel. Davis is a college town where students make up approximately half of the population, and the community values and supports our students. Downtown is just a block from campus and has student-oriented restaurants, shops, entertainment and services.

Where will my student live?

More than 90 percent of freshmen and 30 percent of first-year transfer students live on campus in the residence halls, which offer social and academic support, as well as award-winning dining services. After their first year, most students live off campus in student-centered apartments or shared houses.

Where will my student eat?

First-year students living on and off campus eat in our dining commons, which feature produce grown on the student farm. You're even invited to submit your favorite family recipes to the chefs! The student-run Coffee House food court is another popular option for students living on and off campus, as well as numerous restaurants throughout the community.

Will my student be safe at UC Davis?

Both campus and the city of Davis have a communal, small-town atmosphere where the safety of the entire university community is a top priority. UC Davis has a comprehensive emergency management program and its own full-service police and fire departments which use a special alerting system to provide timely information to faculty, staff and students. The campus Safe Ride program offers students a free ride (in a clearly marked security vehicle) to campus from within the Davis city limits from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. For security purposes, access to the residence halls requires an Aggie ID card at all times. Learn more about campus security at clery.ucdavis.edu/asr.

What health care services are available at UC Davis?

Through Student Health and Counseling Services, UC Davis students can receive primary and specialty care, clinical support and pharmacy, optometry, nutrition and counseling services. The Sutter Davis Hospital, with urgent care and emergency services, is just a 10-minute drive from campus.

How do UC Davis students get involved and connected?

Students can easily get involved in campus life through residence hall activities, intramural and club sports, study groups, student-focused support centers or through one of our 800+ student organizations. Once on campus, students have access to a wealth of services, including the Student Disability Center; Student Recruitment and Retention Center; Cross Cultural Center; Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual Resource Center; AB540 and Undocumented Student Center; Transfer and Reentry Center; Veterans Success Center; and more.

Is UC Davis on the quarter or semester system?

UC Davis is on the quarter system. Students enjoy the fast pace and academic variety of quarters, though they have to hit the ground running and stay on top of their studies, as the 10 weeks pass quickly.

How will my student get oriented to campus?

After submitting their Statement of Intent to Register (SIR), they should choose a summer orientation session through the MyAdmissions online portal. During orientation, students will choose first-quarter classes. Parents are encouraged to attend! There is a session held just before the start of fall quarter for those traveling from outside of California.

What is considered full-time attendance?

Undergraduate students must have a class load of at least 12 units each quarter to have full-time status. Dropping below full-time or failing to meet minimum progress requirements may negatively impact enrollment status.

and financial aid eligibility. International students who drop below full-time may endanger their United States visa status.

How will I know if my student is on track to complete their degree?

Keep in close contact with your student so you know how they are doing. Privacy laws prevent the university from discussing confidential student records, such as academic progress and health care information, with families unless officially authorized by the student. UC Davis Parent and Family Programs can help parents and guardians who are concerned about their student's well-being.

What if my student is having trouble adjusting?

Our First-Year Aggie Connections program, aggieconnect.ucdavis.edu, gives new students the chance to connect within small cohorts organized around a shared purpose, interest or theme. Academic advisors offer support and direction, and the Student Academic Success Center can help with tutoring, study skills and more. Students in need of wellness counseling are eligible for confidential, short-term therapy at no charge. Encourage your student to take advantage of these resources, and to attend professor office hours.

What if my student wants to change their major?

We love to see students thrive on campus as they find their life's passion. Sometimes, this self-discovery leads to a change in academic focus. That's okay. At UC Davis, changing a major is easy with guidance, and freshmen students who do so within the first two years can usually still meet their expected graduation date.

Will my student need a computer?

Yes. UC Davis expects each student to own a computer that meets minimum performance standards, which can be found at computerownership.ucdavis.edu. The UC Davis Stores TechHub sells computers that meet the recommended specifications. The TechHub also offers discounted pricing and computer repair services.





PARENT AND FAMILY PROGRAMS

STAY CONNECTED

- Log in to Facebook and join the UC Davis Parent and Family Network.
- Watch your email for "In the Know," a monthly parent e-newsletter.
- Visit the Parent and Family Blog at alumni.ucdavis.edu/membership/parents/blog.
- Attend a student send-off event in August or September. For a regularly updated list of events, visit parents.ucdavis.edu.

BECOME A MEMBER

Your one-time Aggie Parent and Family Association membership payment of \$120 gives you four years of benefits:

- Important updates and communications from Parent and Family Programs
- 10 percent discount on UC Davis items at UC Davis Stores
- Discounts at parent and family weekends
- Discounts at local and national businesses
- Two UC Davis parent T-shirts, exclusively for members

GET INVOLVED

- Become a parent ambassador and represent UC Davis at admission events, help new students move in to the residence halls or host an event in your home.
- Join the Parent and Family Council to help lead and guide the parent association.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:

Becky Heard

Parent Programs Representative
parentprograms@ucdavis.edu
530-752-0286

For more parent resources or to become a member, visit parents.ucdavis.edu.



A GREAT INVESTMENT

UNDERSTANDING THE AWARD LETTER

We encourage you to sit down and talk with your student about their financial award(s), which can be viewed at financialaid.ucdavis.edu/myawards. To see sample award packages available to students with a range of family situations, go to financialaid.ucdavis.edu/samples.

Students who did not apply for financial aid will not be offered a financial aid package. After the March 2 priority filing deadline, eligible students can still apply for financial aid by filling out a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act Application, as some forms of financial aid may still be available.

YOUR STUDENT'S AWARD LETTER OUTLINES THE:

- Estimated cost of attendance: Includes tuition and fees, plus standard living expenses
- Contributions: Includes student self-help and expected family contribution as calculated from the financial aid application
- Financial need: The cost of attendance minus student and family expected contributions
- Estimated financial aid: Includes offered federal, state and UC Davis aid
- Remaining cost: The total financial obligation remaining

THE AWARD LETTER MAY INCLUDE THESE TYPES OF AID:

- Grants: Need-based awards that do not need to be repaid
- Scholarships: Awards, often based on academic merit or personal characteristics, that do not need to be repaid
- Loans: Aid that requires repayment with interest
- Work-study: Need-based financial aid earned through employment

Remember, dates and deadlines matter! If your student plans to accept offered aid, all requirements need to be completed by the posted deadlines. Please note that most campus-based scholarships that your student applied for on their UC application will be awarded in mid to late summer 2018. Be sure to check financialaid.ucdavis.edu for important dates and information.

BUDGETING FOR COLLEGE

Start a conversation now about budgeting for college tuition, fees and living expenses. Some UC Davis advantages are:

- Lower cost of living than most UC communities
- Easy to get around with a bicycle or Unitrans bus rides
- Computer purchase assistance and urgent-need aid
- Readily available student jobs (recommended after first year)

Visit financialaid.ucdavis.edu/tools/financial-wellness for more information about budgeting for college.

PAYING FOR HEALTH INSURANCE

All UC Davis students must have health insurance and are automatically enrolled in the UC Student Health Insurance Plan (UC SHIP). Students already covered by comparable health insurance can apply for a UC SHIP waiver at shcs.ucdavis.edu/insurance. Annual waiver applications must be submitted before the start of each academic year by the posted deadlines.

TUITION AND FEE PAYMENTS

Tuition and fees are due several weeks before classes start each quarter. Make a plan to ensure that account balances are paid on time through MyBill at mybill.ucdavis.edu. If you want to pay bills on behalf of your student, they must give you access to their account through Student Accounting. Nonpayment can jeopardize your student’s class registration and university enrollment status.

ANNUAL COST OF ATTENDANCE FOR 2017–18

	California Resident	Out-of-State and International
Tuition and fees*	\$14,382	\$42,396
Health insurance	\$2,298	\$2,298
Books and supplies	\$1,253	\$1,253
Room and board**	\$16,136	\$16,136
Personal expenses	\$1,281	\$1,281
Transportation	\$381	\$381
Total	\$35,731	\$63,745

*Tuition and fees are subject to change; out-of-state tuition and fees include nonresident supplemental tuition of \$28,014; check financialaid.ucdavis.edu/undergraduate/cost.html for estimated 2018–19 costs.

**Estimated average budget living on-campus, see housing.ucdavis.edu for more information

Questions? Contact the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office.
financialaid.ucdavis.edu/new • my.ucdavis.edu/ask_us



WHAT'S NEXT FOR YOU AND YOUR STUDENT?



YOUR STUDENT SHOULD LOG IN TO [MYADMISSIONS.UCDAVIS.EDU](https://myadmissions.ucdavis.edu) TO:

- Submit Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) and Statement of Legal Residence (SLR) by May 1 for entering freshmen, June 1 for transfer students
- Review any financial awards in MyAwards and take any required action
- Submit housing application
- Complete other admissions and pre-enrollment tasks

TOGETHER YOU CAN:

- Come to Decision UC Davis, our campus open house for admitted students, April 7 for entering freshmen and May 11 for transfer students
- Set up a family visit to campus and take a student-led tour through ucdavis.edu/visit, or take a virtual tour at ucdavis.edu/virtual-tour
- Make plans to attend a summer orientation session

2018–19 Admission and School Year Calendar

April 7	Freshman Decision UC Davis
May 1	Freshman SIR deadline
May 11	Transfer Decision UC Davis
Jun 1	Transfer SIR deadline

Fall Quarter

Sep 15	Fall payment due
Sep 22–23	Move-in weekend
Oct 12–13	Pajamarino and Homecoming
Oct 12–14	Parent and Family Weekend
Nov 22–23	Thanksgiving holiday
Dec 10–14	Finals week
Dec 15	Winter payment due
Dec 15–Jan 6	Winter holiday

Winter Quarter

Jan 7	Instruction begins
Mar 15	Spring payment due
Mar 18–22	Finals week
Mar 23–31	Spring break

Spring Quarter

Apr 1	Instruction begins
Jun 7, 10–13	Finals week
Jun 14	Summer break

Be sure to check parents.ucdavis.edu for more events throughout the year, including Parent and Family Day.