

Fall 2019 UC Davis TAG Criteria

The UC Davis Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) is a written agreement that guarantees admission to UC Davis for fall term in a given major.

Students at any California community college can apply for a TAG one year before they wish to enroll at UC Davis:

1. Speak with a California community college counselor about transferring with a UC Davis TAG.
2. Complete the University of California Transfer Admission Planner (UC TAP).
3. Submit the TAG application September 1-30, 2018, using the UC TAP.

Approved applicants will receive a TAG contract outlining coursework, grades, GPA thresholds and any other admission requirements that must be completed prior to transfer. Students who meet the terms of their UC Davis TAG contract and who submit a UC application during the fall initial UC application filing period, are guaranteed admission to UC Davis.

I. TAG REQUIREMENTS

General Requirements

When applying for the UC Davis TAG, students must:

- Have been enrolled at a California community college (CCC) during the previous spring term
- Be enrolled at the CCC for the current fall term
- Plan to continue enrollment at the CCC through the spring term prior to enrolling at UC Davis in the fall
- Have at least 30 semester (45 quarter) UC-transferable units. These may include Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) exam units.

Additional Considerations

Full-time enrollment is strongly recommended to be adequately prepared for UC Davis. Students who are enrolled part-time for any of the above terms should provide justification in the Additional Comments section of the TAG application.

Students who attended a college or university outside of the CCC system (including out-of-state and international institutions) prior to attendance at a CCC are eligible for TAG if they meet the criteria above and their combined UC-transferable units do not exceed the maximum allowable units. After applying UC lower-division unit limitations and exclusions, students must have fewer than 80 semester (120 quarter) transferable units of college coursework at the time of enrollment.

Exclusions

The following situations preclude eligibility for a UC Davis TAG:

- Students who have already earned a bachelor, graduate and/or professional degree
- Students previously enrolled at UC Davis during a regular term (excluding summer)
- Students who are concurrently enrolled in high school when the TAG is submitted
- Students who are concurrently enrolled in a 4-year (baccalaureate, non-CCC) institution in any term from when the TAG is submitted, up to the term of enrollment

Unit Requirements

When applying for the UC Davis TAG, students must have completed at least 30 semester (45 quarter) UC-transferable units. This may include Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) exam units.

By the close of spring term 2019, students must complete at least 60 semester (90 quarter) UC-transferable units, **and** at least 30 of those semester units (or 45 of those quarter units) must have been completed at one or more California community colleges.

Additional Considerations

Students may not earn credit for some college courses if they duplicate credit already earned through AP or IB credits according to UC Davis articulation rules. For additional details, please refer to the AP and IB charts in the UC Davis General Catalog at catalog.ucdavis.edu.

Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirements

The UC-transferable overall GPAs below must be achieved by the time the TAG application is submitted and must be maintained through spring term 2019, before transferring to UC Davis.

- 3.20 is the required overall GPA for all majors in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, College of Biological Sciences and College of Letters and Science.
- 3.30 is the required overall GPA for all majors in the College of Engineering.

Additional Considerations

All majors in the College of Biological Sciences and College of Engineering, as well as some majors in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences and College of Letters and Science, are selective and have additional requirements. Technical GPA is derived from courses or groups of courses required for selective majors. For additional details, refer to **Section III**.

English and Math Requirements

When applying for the UC Davis TAG, the following requirements must be completed or in progress by fall 2018:

- Two transferable courses in English (UC-E)
- One transferable course in mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning (UC-M)

Additional Considerations

Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) exams can also be used to meet the minimum transfer admission subject requirements in English (UC-E) and math (UC-M). However, only one of the two UC-E requirements can be met with AP or IB exams. For additional details, please refer to the AP and IB charts in the UC Davis General Catalog at catalog.ucdavis.edu.

II. APPLYING FOR A UC DAVIS TAG

TAG applications for fall 2019 admission must be submitted September 1-30, 2018, using the UC TAP at uctap.universityofcalifornia.edu. TAGs are only available for fall quarter admission consideration. Applicants will be notified by email about their TAG application status by November 15, 2018.

- Students with approved TAGs must submit the UC application for undergraduate admission and scholarships during the UC application fall filing period.

- Students who fulfill the terms of their TAG contract and submit their UC application by November 30 will be notified of their admission to UC Davis in late April 2019.

Tips on Applying

- Students must use their full legal name on both the UC Davis TAG application and the UC application for undergraduate admission and scholarships.
- Students must apply for admission to the same major for which the TAG is approved in order to guarantee admission.
- Students must report all academic information, including each college or university of enrollment or attendance, gaps in education and courses in progress and planned. All courses and grades, e.g. D, F, I and W, must be listed as they appear on transcripts.
- After submitting the UC application, students must complete the UC Transfer Academic Update at ucal.us/transferapplication with fall grades and course changes, preferably by January 31, 2019.
- Students must respond to all email inquiries in a timely manner and by specified deadlines.

III. SELECTIVE MAJORS

Certain majors require additional coursework and/or a higher GPA to be eligible for a TAG and regular transfer admission. Please refer to the additional selective major TAG requirements in the corresponding areas below. As you prepare to transfer to UC Davis, you are encouraged to work with your California community college counselor to carefully plan your academic program and to ensure you are well prepared for your intended major.

The UC Davis TAG is available in all majors, both selective and non-selective, unless otherwise specified below. Undeclared/exploratory programs are closed to all transfer applicants. For additional details, please refer to tag.ucdavis.edu.

Academic preparation in your major is a primary basis for transfer admission. We strongly encourage you to work with your California community college counselor in planning your course of study to ensure that you are well prepared for your chosen major.

- **In the College of Biological Sciences**, all majors are selective.
- **In the College of Engineering**, all majors are selective.
- **In the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences**, the following majors are selective:
 - Biotechnology
 - Landscape Architecture
 - Viticulture and Enology
 - For applicants to fall 2021 and later, Managerial Economics will be selective.
- **In the College of Letters and Science**, the following majors are selective:
 - Computer Science
 - Psychology
 - For applicants to fall 2020 and later, Applied Physics, Physics, Mathematics and Pharmaceutical Chemistry will be selective.
 - For fall 2021 applicants and later, Economics will be selective.

Additional Considerations

Some course requirements can be satisfied with credits earned from Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) exams. Please refer to the AP and IB charts in the UC Davis General Catalog at catalog.ucdavis.edu regarding accepted scores and course equivalencies.

Students are expected to take California Community College (CCC) courses comparable to UC Davis courses as long as they are offered at the CCC they attend. When the ASSIST website (assist.org) indicates “no comparable course” or “not articulated,” UC Davis will waive that TAG requirement. Courses not offered at the primary CCC must be completed after enrolling at UC Davis.

College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

Biotechnology

Biotechnology TAG applicants must have a 3.20 overall GPA and all required courses comparable to the UC Davis courses listed below completed by the end of the final spring term prior to fall transfer.

At the time of TAG application, students must meet or exceed a minimum 2.50 technical GPA required for each series of selective major courses. Applicants must complete all courses required for selective majors with a letter grade and cannot have a grade below a C in any required course.

- Mathematics 16A/B or Mathematics 17A/B or Mathematics 21A/B
Students must have at least a 2.50 technical GPA for this group of courses. If only one course from this group has been completed at the time of TAG application, students must have earned a B- grade or better in that course.
- Chemistry 2A/B/C
Students must have at least a 2.50 technical GPA for this group of courses. If only one course from this group has been completed at the time of TAG application, students must have earned a B- grade or better in that course.
- Biological Sciences 2A or 2B or 2C (entire series highly recommended):
If only one comparable UC Davis Biological Science 2 series course has been completed, that course must be completed with a B grade or better. If multiple courses are required to be comparable to one UC Davis Biological Sciences 2 series, the combination of those courses must be completed with a 3.00 technical GPA.
OR
Courses comparable to two or more UC Davis Biological Science 2A/B/C courses can be completed with at least a 2.50 technical GPA.

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

It is also strongly recommended that students complete coursework comparable to the following UC Davis courses to move more efficiently toward graduation:

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

For the best transition and reduced time-to-degree, students should consider completing all lower-division preparatory coursework shown on assist.org for their intended major.

Viticulture and Enology

Viticulture and Enology TAG applicants must have a 3.20 overall GPA and all required courses comparable to the UC Davis courses listed below completed by the end of the final spring term prior to fall transfer.

At the time of TAG application, students must meet or exceed a minimum 3.00 technical GPA in the selective major courses, complete all major courses with a letter grade and cannot have a grade below a C in any required major course. If only one course from this group has been completed at the time of TAG application, students must have earned a B grade or better in that course.

Complete all courses comparable to the following:

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

It is strongly recommended that students complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses. If completed, the student must have at least a 3.00 technical GPA in all required and recommended courses.

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

Pre- Landscape Architecture

Students may apply under a “pre-landscape architecture” major for a TAG without completing specific major course requirements, but they must have a 3.20 overall GPA. After students have enrolled at UC Davis they will be required to submit a separate major portfolio application to the department in February to be considered for placement in the upper-division Landscape Architecture major. Contact the Landscape Architecture Advising Office at 530-754-8628 or visit humanecology.ucdavis.edu for details about the portfolio application.

Managerial Economics (selective for fall 2021 applicants)

Managerial Economics TAG applicants for fall 2021 and later must have a 3.20 overall GPA and all required courses comparable to the UC Davis courses listed below by the end of the final spring term prior to fall transfer. (Future requirements are subject to change.)

At the time of TAG application, applicants must meet or exceed a minimum 2.50 technical GPA in the selective major courses, complete all major courses with a letter grade and cannot have a grade below a C in any required major course.

- Mathematics 16A/B or Mathematics 17A/B or Mathematics 21A/B
- Economics 1A/B
- Statistics 13

College of Biological Sciences

TAG applicants to any College of Biological Sciences major must have a 3.20 overall GPA and all required courses comparable to the UC Davis courses listed below completed by the end of the final spring term prior to fall transfer.

At the time of TAG application, students must meet or exceed a minimum 2.50 technical GPA in each series of selective major courses, complete all required courses with a letter grade and cannot have a grade below a C in any required course.

- Mathematics 17A/B/C or Mathematics 21A/B
Students must have at least a 2.50 technical GPA for this group of courses. If only one course from this group has been completed at the time of TAG application, students must have earned a B- grade or better in that course.
- Chemistry 2A/B/C
Students must have at least a 2.50 technical GPA for this group of courses. If only one course from this group has been completed at the time of TAG application, students must have earned a B- grade or better in that course.
- Biological Sciences 2A/B/C
Students must have at least a 2.50 technical GPA for this group of courses. If only one course from this group has been completed at the time of TAG application, students must have earned a B- grade or better in that course.

It is strongly recommended that students complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses. Completion of these courses will help the student move more efficiently toward graduation. Courses should be taken for a letter grade, with no grade less than C; however, grades in these courses are not assessed as part of a College of Biological Sciences major course group technical GPA:

- Organic Chemistry 8A/B* or Organic Chemistry 118A/B/C
- Physics 7A/B/C or the physics series cited on *assist.org* for a student's intended College of Biological Sciences major and degree (Completion of the physics series is especially useful for students applying to the Neurobiology, Physiology and Behavior major.)

*Note: Students planning to major in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology should complete Organic Chemistry 118A/B/C rather than 8A/B. Students planning to major in Marine and Coastal Science with a focus in Marine Ecology and Organismal Biology should complete Organic Chemistry 8A/B; however, students may substitute Chemistry 118A/B/C.

For the best transition and reduced time-to-degree, students should consider completing all lower-division preparatory coursework shown on *assist.org* for their intended major.

College of Engineering

By the end of the final spring term prior to fall transfer, TAG applicants to all majors in the College of Engineering must have an overall 3.30 GPA and have completed coursework comparable to the required UC Davis courses displayed at ucdavis.edu/admissions/transfer/major-requirements-college-engineering, at *assist.org* or in the College of Engineering's 2018–19 Transfer Credit Agreement.

At the time of TAG application, students must meet or exceed a minimum 3.20 technical GPA in the selective major courses, complete all major courses with a letter grade and cannot have a grade below a C in any required major course.

If one course from the group is completed, the grade for that one course must be B+ or better. If more than one course from the group is completed, the GPA for those courses combined must be a 3.20 technical GPA or higher.

Updates to ASSIST

A new Engineering Computer Science series (ENG CS/ECS 36A/36B/36C) will be replacing ENG CS/ECS 30, 40 and 60 courses, respectively, beginning with the 2018 academic year. Courses offered at CCCs with existing articulation to ENG CS/ECS 30, 40 and 60 will be honored for the next three academic years (2018-2019, 2019-2020, and 2020-2021). Applicants for fall 2021 and later will need to complete courses articulated to the new ENG CS/ECS 36A/36B/36C series.

A new series, ENG CS/ECS 32A/32B will also be available beginning with the 2018 academic year.

The following options will meet respective major requirements for the 2018 academic year and transfer admission requirements for fall 2019, where ENG CS/ECS 30 and/or ENG CS/ECS 40 and/or ENG CS/ECS 60 were once required:

- Aerospace Science and Engineering, Mechanical Engineering:
ENGIN 6 or ENG CS/ECS 32A or ENG CS/ECS 36A
- Biochemical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Materials Science and Engineering:
ENGIN 6 or ENG CHM 60 or ENG CS/ECS 36A
- Civil Engineering, Environmental Engineering:
ENGIN 6 or ENG CS/ECS 32A
- Computer Engineering and Computer Science and Engineering:
ENG CS/ECS 36A, 36B, and 36C
- Electrical Engineering:
EEC 7 or ENG CS/ECS 36A

College of Engineering also requires one course from the following options for the major listed below as of fall 2018:

- Biological Systems Engineering
ENGIN 3 or Communications 1 or Communications 3

The College of Engineering strongly recommends that the courses noted below be completed before transferring in order to help the student move more efficiently towards graduation.

- Electrical Engineering
Communication 1 or Communication 3
ENGIN 6
English 3 or University Writing Program 1
- Mechanical Engineering
Communication 1 or Communication 3
ENGIN 45
English 3 or University Writing Program 1

College of Letters and Science

Computer Science

Computer Science TAG applicants must have a 3.20 overall GPA and all required courses comparable to the UC Davis courses listed below completed by the end of the final spring term prior to fall transfer.

At the time of TAG application, students must meet or exceed a minimum 3.40 technical GPA in each series of selective major courses, complete all required courses with a letter grade and cannot have a grade below a C in any required course. If one course from the group is completed, the grade for that one course must be A- or better.

- Mathematics 21A/B/C
Students must have at least a 3.40 technical GPA for this group of course. If only one course from this group has been completed at the time of TAG application, students must have earned an A-grade or better in that course.
- Engineering Computer Science (ENG CS/ECS) 20, 30, 50 and 60
Students must have a at least a 3.40 technical GPA for this group of course. If only one course

from this group has been completed at the time of TAG application, students must have earned an A- grade or better in that course.

Additional Updates

A new Engineering Computer Science series— ENG CS/ECS 36A/36B/36C—will be replacing ENG CS/ECS 30, 40 and 60 courses, respectively, beginning with the 2018 academic year. Courses offered at CCCs with existing articulation to ENG CS/ECS 30, 40 and 60 will be honored for the next three years (2018-2019, 2019-2020 and 2020-2021). Beginning in fall 2021, Computer Science TAG applicants will need to complete courses articulated to the new ENG CS/ECS 36A/36B/36C series and continue to complete ENG CS/ECS 20 and 50 with the 3.40 technical GPA currently required.

Psychology

Psychology TAG applicants must have a 3.20 overall GPA all required courses comparable to the UC Davis courses listed below completed by the end of the final spring term prior to fall transfer.

At the time of TAG application, students must meet or exceed a minimum 2.90 technical GPA in the selective major courses, complete all major courses with a letter grade and cannot have a grade below a C in any required major course. If one course from the group is completed at the time the TAG is submitted, that course must be completed with a B grade or better.

- Psychology 1
- Statistics 13
- Biological Science 2A
or
Biological Science 10 AND one of the following courses:
Anthropology 1 or Molecular and Cellular Biology 10 or
Neurobiology, Physiology and Behavior 10

New Selective Majors for 2020 Applicants

Students applying for fall 2020 or later to majors in Applied Physics, Physics, Mathematics and Pharmaceutical Chemistry must have a 3.20 overall GPA and coursework comparable to the required UC Davis courses shown below completed by the end of the final spring term prior to fall transfer. (Future requirements are subject to change.)

Applied Physics

Complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses listed below with at least a 3.00 technical GPA for the group of courses.

- Physics 9A/B/C/D or Physics 9HA/HB/HC/HD/HE
- Mathematics 21A/B/C/D
- Mathematics 22A/B

Physics

Complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses with at least a 3.00 technical GPA for the group of courses.

- Physics 9A/B/C/D or Physics 9HA/HB/HC/HD/HE
- Mathematics 21A/B/C/D
- Mathematics 22A/B

Mathematics

Complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses listed below with at least a 3.00 technical GPA for the group of courses.

- Mathematics 21A/B/C/D
- Mathematics 22A or Mathematics 67
- Mathematics 22B

Pharmaceutical Chemistry

Complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses listed below with at least a 3.00 technical GPA for the group of courses.

- Chemistry 2A/B/C or Chemistry 2AH/BH/CH
- Chemistry 118A/B/C or Chemistry 128A/B/C AND Chemistry 129A/B/C
- Mathematics 16A/B/C or Mathematics 17A/B/C or Mathematics 21A/B/C

It is strongly recommended that students complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses with a C or better. Completion of these courses before transfer will help you move more efficiently toward graduation. The grades for these courses will not be included in the 3.00 technical GPA requirement for the major courses.

- Physics 7A/B/C or Physics 9A/B/C
- Biological Sciences 2A
- Biological Sciences 2B or 2C
- Statistics 13 or Statistics 32

New Selective Major for 2021 Applicants

Beginning with applicants for fall 2021, Economics TAG applicants must have a 3.20 overall GPA and all required courses comparable to the UC Davis courses listed below completed with a 3.00 technical GPA by the end of the final spring term prior to fall transfer. (Future requirements are subject to change.)

- Mathematics 16A/B/C or Mathematics 17A/B/C or Mathematics 21A/B/C
- Economics 1A/B

It is strongly recommended that students complete a course comparable to UC Davis courses listed below with a C grade or better. Completion of the course before transfer will help you move more efficiently toward graduation. If completed, the grade for this course will count toward the 3.00 technical GPA requirement for the major courses.

- Statistics 13