A group of seven young men of diverse backgrounds are captured in a moment of pure joy and celebration. They are all smiling broadly, with some showing their teeth, and many have their fists raised in the air. They are dressed in casual attire, including hoodies, t-shirts, and button-down shirts. The background features a large, leafy tree and a building with a decorative lamp post. The overall atmosphere is one of excitement and community.

The University of California

The place for you

UC campuses

- How do you choose?
Consider:
 - Major
 - Location
 - Size
- Apply broadly to increase your chances of admission



Our mission & you

- We teach
 - Choose from 700+ majors
- We conduct research
 - Be at the forefront of new ideas & pioneering efforts
- We provide public service
 - Be part of a student body dedicated to the public good



Global recognition

- 62 Nobel Prizes, including 27 since 1995
- UC researchers and faculty are responsible for 5,505 inventions and 3,617 patents (average 3 inventions per day)
- More than 600 startup companies have formed around UC inventions
- 34M volumes in libraries, 2nd only to Library of Congress
- More PhDs granted than any other US university - 7%

Exciting UC programs

- Education Abroad Program (EAP)
 - Study in your choice of 35 countries
- UCDC / Sacramento Center
 - Study our government in Washington D.C. or Sacramento, CA
- Intercampus Visitor
 - Take courses at another UC for up to a year
- Undergraduate Research
 - Research is not just for science majors!
- Work-Learn Programs/Internships
 - Earn money while putting your education to use



Admission to UC

- Freshman requirements
- Comprehensive review
- Personal insight questions
- Transfer admission



Freshman admission requirements

1. Complete a minimum of 15 college-preparatory courses (“a-g” courses), with at seven courses taken the last two years of high school.
2. Earn the required grade point average (GPA) in “a-g” courses
3. Meet the examination requirement by taking the ACT Plus Writing or the SAT with Essay no later than December of your senior year

3.0 California resident

3.4 Non-residents

GPA calculated from 10th & 11th grade course work weighted by a maximum of 8 semesters UC-approved honors grade points

SAT Subject Tests not required but may be recommended by some campuses/majors

CA high school applicants

CA residents who attend a CA high school and meet minimum requirements for the statewide or local path will be offered a space at another campus if state funding is available, if they are not admitted to any UC campus to which they applied:

Statewide Path

You rank in the top 9% of all high school graduates in California according to the UC admission index

OR

Local Path (ELC)

You rank in the top 9% of your high school class based on UC calculations

Comprehensive review

14 UC-Approved Criteria:

- Grade-Point Average
- Test Scores
- Courses Completed/Planned
- Honors Courses
- Eligibility in the Local Context (ELC)
- Quality of Senior-Year Program of Study
- Academic Opportunities in California High Schools
- Performance in Academic Subject Areas
- Achievements in Special Projects
- Improvement in Academic Performance
- Special Talents, Achievements, and Awards
- Participation in Educational Preparation Programs
- Academic Accomplishment Within Life Experiences
- Geographic Location

Personal insight questions



- Students respond to *any* 4 out of 8 prompts
- Each prompt is a maximum of 350 words
- View as personal interview on paper

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/personal-questions/index.html>

Transfer admission

- 20 percent of UC undergraduates are transfers, most entering at the junior level
- Many campuses have Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) programs with all 112 California community colleges
- You are a transfer student if you enrolled in a regular session at a college or university after high school
- Prepare early - Use these online resources to help you:
 - www.assist.org
 - Transfer admission planner
<https://uctag.universityofcalifornia.edu/students>



Applying for admission

Application available: August 1

Application Filing Period: November 1-30

Application Fee: \$70 / \$80 International (fee waiver available)

- UC does NOT have an Early Action or Early Decision process
- Apply broadly across the system to the campuses that interest you!
- To apply, complete the UC application at:

www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply

Paying for UC



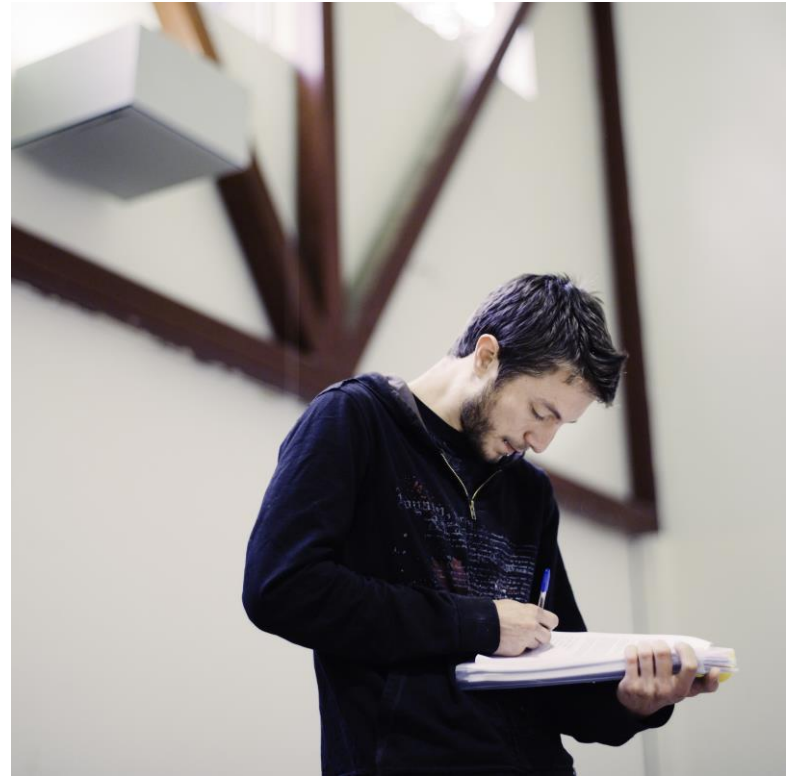
How much does it cost?

Estimated average costs for California residents 2016 - 2017

| | Living on Campus | Living off Campus |
|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Tuition and fees* | \$13,500 | \$13,500 |
| Books and supplies | \$1,500 | \$1,500 |
| Health insurance allowance/fee | \$2,300 | \$2,300 |
| Room and board | \$14,500 | \$9,800 |
| Personal/Transportation | \$2,400 | \$3,200 |
| TOTAL | \$34,200 | \$30,300 |

Financial aid

- We work with students and their families to help make college affordable, providing millions of dollars in aid to students each year
- Nearly two-thirds of undergrads receive some form of financial aid
- Students can contribute by working, taking student loans, and applying for scholarships



Ways to pay

Four Types of Aid:

- Grants
- Scholarships
- Work Study
- Loans



Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

- Required for any type of federal and state financial aid
- Priority filing period: October 1-March 2
- Application available online: fafsa.ed.gov
- You should apply, even if you don't think you'll qualify

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/paying-for-uc/index.html>

Blue and Gold Opportunity Plan

- Guarantees that UC fees will be covered by grants and/or scholarships for California students from families with incomes of \$80,000 or less
- Many students with financial need will receive more grant/scholarship assistance than is offered under this plan
- Students must submit the FAFSA and be determined to have financial need

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/paying-for-uc/glossary/blue-and-gold/index.html>

Useful links for admissions

UC Admissions Selection Process:

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/freshman/how-applications-reviewed/index.html>

General admissions information

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/>

SAT Subject Test recommendations:

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/freshman/requirements/examination-requirement/SAT-subject-tests/>

Application procedures

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/index.html>

Determine which courses transfer from a community college

www.assist.org

SAT Registration

www.collegeboard.com

ACT Registration

www.act.org

Useful links for financial aid

UC Financial Aid information

www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/paying-for-uc/index.html

Free Scholarship search

www.fastweb.com

Free Application for Federal Student Aid

www.fafsa.ed.gov

Access to the Personal ID Number for the FAFSA

www.pin.ed.gov



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