**UC Application Tips**

**UC Application Available at:** [www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply)

**Application Filing Periods**

- **Fall Term**: November 1st—30th
- **Winter Term**: July 1st—31st
- **Spring Term**: October 1st—31st

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**Things to Do Before You Start the Application**

- Visit the Transfer Center’s “Applying to Universities” web pages - [http://sbcc.edu/transfercenter/Applying_to_Universities.php](http://sbcc.edu/transfercenter/Applying_to_Universities.php)
- Obtain copies of all your college transcripts and AP or IB Exam results.
  - In the UC application you are required to enter all college courses that you have taken. Don’t enter classes and grades from memory. Misrepresenting your academic record can jeopardize your admissions.
  - If you have only attended SBCC you can obtain your unofficial transcript from Pipeline. Select “Student Records link” and then click on “Academic Transcript.”
- Identify the courses you will be enrolled in prior to transfer (e.g. if you are applying for Fall transfer you need to know the courses you will be taking for Spring and Summer terms).
  - **UC admissions is very competitive,** therefore make sure you have completed the courses required for your major.
    - If you are not sure about what courses you need, go to [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org) and meet with a SBCC counselor in the Academic Counseling Center (SS120).
- Additional Information you will need. [http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/apply-online/index.html](http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/apply-online/index.html)
  - **Activities and awards** – Prepare concise descriptions of your most significant awards and activities and the length of time involved
  - **Annual Income** (optional) – If your parent’s claim you as a dependent on their tax return, you’ll need to know their annual income (pre-tax) for the two previous years. Refer to tax records or pay stubs.
  - **Parent’s residency** (optional) – Know the date they moved to the state where they legally reside.
  - **Social Security Number** (If you have one) – Otherwise leave blank.
  - **Citizenship Status** – If you’re not a U.S. citizen, know your immigration status and the type of visa you hold (such as F1).
- Apply broadly. Students who apply to several campuses are more likely to be admitted to a campus they know they want to attend. Do not limit yourself to only one option.
- **Don’t send transcripts until they are requested.**
- You can apply to all 9 UC campuses by completing only 1 application.

**UC Personal Statement**


- The UC Application requires a Personal Statement.
- Attend a UC Personal Statement workshop. For workshop dates and times go to the Transfer Center website at [www.sbcc.edu/transfercenter](http://www.sbcc.edu/transfercenter)
- You can also check out the following resources on the Transfer Center website:
  - Workbook for Writing the College Admission Essay and UC Personal Statement
  - UC Personal Statement Tips
Starting the Application

- Go to www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply and click on the “Start Your Application” link located on the top right of the web page. Then create your username, password and pick an email address.

Tip for Entering Courses Correctly

- The application will ask you to list all the courses that appear on your transcript. For courses that do not appear on the list, you will need to click on the “I don’t see all of my courses” at the bottom of the page and then type in the information. You will need to enter the department, course number, title of the course, and the number of units, and your grade (this includes W, and NP) For example, if you are currently enrolled in English 110:
  - Department = ENGL; Course number = 110; Title = Composition and Reading; Units = 3

Do not confuse the 5 digit CRN# found on your unofficial transcript with the course number.

UC Application Workshops

The Transfer Center is providing workshops to assist you with completing your UC application. For workshop dates and times go to the Transfer Center website at www.sbcc.edu/transfercenter.

Registration for workshops is required. You can register by dropping by the Transfer Center, SS 140 or by phone (805) 730-4347.

Made a Mistake on Your Application?

- Prior to November 30th deadline you can log in to the application and correct any mistakes.
- After November 30th, contact each UC campus you applied to.

Update Your Application

- In January, you must update your application and report your final grades you received for the Fall semester and any additional coursework you will be taking in Spring and Summer. Update your application online at: www.admissions.ucop.edu/wip/login.do

Dates and Deadlines

http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/dates-deadlines/index.html

August 1st: UC Application for Fall available

November 1st-30th: Filing period for applicants for Fall term

January
- 1st: Filing period opens for applicants for all terms to submit FAFSA and Cal Grant GPA Verification Form (filing period open through March 2).
- 31st: (Date tentative) Transfer applicants report final fall grades and any in-progress or planned coursework online.

March
- 1st: Notification of Fall admission decisions begins; continues through May 1st for transfer applicants.
- 2nd: Deadline for applicants for all terms to submit FAFSA and Cal Grant GPA Verification Form

June
- 1st: Deadline for admitted transfer students to submit Statement of Intent to Register

July
- 1st: Final official transcripts due at campus admissions office for students admitted for Fall term

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