# UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The University of California has 10 campuses, 9 of which offer undergraduate and graduate degrees (UC San Francisco is a graduate/professional school only). The UC offers bachelor's, master's, doctoral, and professional degrees and focuses on research, innovation, and discovery.

Students intending to transfer to the UC should be prepared to complete minimum entrance requirements for admission and focus their time at the community college completing lower-division coursework in the major. Most students transfer at the junior level after completing 60 semester or 90 quarter units and the majority offer fall admission only.

# **Upper Division Transfer**

In order to be eligible for admission to a UC campus as an upper-division (Junior-level) transfer, students must complete:

- 60-semester units or 90 quarter units of UC transferable courses with a grade point average of at least 2.4 (2.8 for non-residents). No more than 14 semester/21 quarter units may be taken Pass/No Pass
- The following course pattern requirement, earning a grade of C or better in each course:
  - a. Two transferable college courses (3 semester or 4-5 quarter units each) in English composition (UC-E),
  - b. One transferable college course (3 semester or 4-5 quarter units) in mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning (UC-M),
  - c. Four transferable college courses (3 semester or 4-5 quarter units each) chosen from at least two of the following subject areas: the arts and humanities, the social and behavioral sciences, and the physical and biological sciences
- 3. Sufficient preparation in the student's chosen major, completing the required lower-division coursework required prior to admission
- 4. Be in good standing at the last college attended prior to transfer

A maximum of 70 semester (105 quarter) units earned in a community college may be applied towards the bachelor's degree. No upper-division unit credit is granted for courses taken in a community college. Visit the website for UC Admissions at: https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/transferrequirements/ or the Transfer Center for more information about UC Transfer admission.

# **Lower Division Transfer**

If a student was eligible for admission to the University when they graduated from high school (they satisfied the Subject, Scholarship and Examination requirements, or were identified by the University during their senior year in high school as eligible under the Eligibility in the Local Context (ELC) program), they may be eligible to transfer if they have a C (2.0) average in their transferable coursework.

If they met the Scholarship Requirement but did not satisfy the Subject Requirement, they must take transferable college courses in the missing subjects, earning a C or better in each required course, and have an overall C average in all transferable coursework to be eligible to transfer.

Note: While all UC Campuses welcome a large pool of junior-level transfers, most admit only a limited number of lower-division transfers.

# California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC)

The California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) is the singular general education pathway for California Community College (CCC) students to fulfill lower-division general education requirements necessary for transfer and admission to both the California State University (CSU) and the University of California (UC). The curriculum and its policies are overseen by the Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senates (ICAS), representing faculty from California's three segments of public higher education.

Students have the option of completing Cal-GETC or the specific lowerdivision breadth/general education requirements of the school or college for campus they plan to attend.

Some majors will not accept Cal-GETC in fulfillment of breadth requirements, while others will require completion of Cal-GETC as a part of the admission requirements. Please check with a GWC counselor, the Transfer Center, or ASSIST.org (http://www.ASSIST.org) for use of Cal-GETC in the chosen university major.

Completion of Cal-GETC is not an admission requirement for most majors. Completing it does not guarantee admission to the campus or program of choice. However, completing the lower-division breadth/general education requirements, whether through the Cal-GETC or the campus-specific requirements, may improve a transfer applicant's chances for admission to a competitive campus and/or program.

Please visit the Transfer Center or make an appointment with a GWC counselor for more information.

#### What Is Certification?

Courses taken at the community college may be used to satisfy general education requirements for graduation from the University of California (UC). However, these courses must be specifically identified and verified by the community college before they will be recognized by the UC campus. This process is called certification. Certification of Cal-GETC completion is the responsibility of the last community college a student attends prior to transfer.

#### What Courses Can Be Certified?

Courses taken at any regionally accredited college or university may be certified by GWC. GWC students who complete all their general education courses at GWC can have those courses certified. Coursework from another California community college will be applied to the subject area in which it is listed by the institution where the work was completed. Also, courses can only be certified if they were on the college's approved Cal-GETC list at the time they were taken by the student. Students in the Coast Community College District who take courses at Golden West, Orange Coast and/or Coastline must ensure that the courses are in the areas in which they need to meet general education requirements and the course approvals for the Cal-GETC pattern are approved for a single college, and a course with the same number may have different approvals at the three district colleges. Coursework from all other fully accredited colleges and universities will be placed in the area in which the subject is listed in the GWC pattern. Coursework completed at colleges and universities outside the U.S.A. (non-regionally accredited) are not

acceptable except for certification of competence in a language other than English.

#### **How Do I Get My Courses Certified?**

Students must request certification from the GWC Admissions & Records Office when the request for sending their final transcript is made (Official Transcript Request Form). In order to complete the certification process, official transcripts of all colleges attended must be on file in the Records Office. If examinations, e.g., Advanced Placement, are used to meet Cal-GETC requirements, official results must also be on file.

# **UC Locations and Contacts**

#### UC Berkeley 1

Undergraduate Admissions 110 Sproul Hall #5800 Berkeley, CA 94720-5800 (510) 642-3175 www.berkeley.edu (http://www.berkeley.edu)

#### UC Davis 2

Undergraduate Admissions
One Shields Avenue
Davis, CA 95616-8507
(530) 752-2971
www.ucdavis.edu (http://www.ucdavis.edu)

#### UC Irvine 2

Admissions and Relations w/ School 260 Aldrich Hall Irvine, CA 92697-1075 (949) 824-6703 www.uci.edu (http://www.uci.edu)

#### LICLA<sup>2</sup>

Undergraduate Admissions 1147 Murphy Hall, Box 951436 Los Angeles, CA 90095-1436 (310) 825-3101 www.ucla.edu (http://www.ucla.edu)

#### UC Merced 1

Admissions Processing 5200 North Lake Road Merced, CA 95344 (209) 228-7178 www.ucmerced.edu (http://www.ucmerced.edu)

#### UC Riverside <sup>2</sup>

3106 Student Services Building 900 University Avenue Riverside, CA 92521 (951) 827- 3411 www.ucr.edu (http://www.ucr.edu)

# UC San Diego 2

Undergraduate Admissions 9500 Gilman Drive MC 0021 La Jolla, CA 92093 (858) 822-0348 www.ucsd.edu (http://www.ucsd.edu)

## UC San Francisco <sup>2, 3</sup>

Office of Admissions and Registrar

MU 200W, Box 0244 500 Parnassus Avenue San Francisco, CA 94143 (415) 476-2310 www.ucsf.edu (http://www.ucsf.edu)

## UC Santa Barbara 2

Office of Admissions – Application Processing 1210 Cheadle Hall Santa Barbara, CA 93106-2014 (805) 893-2881 www.ucsb.edu (http://www.ucsb.edu)

# UC Santa Cruz $^{2}$

Office of Admissions – Evaluation and Application Services 1156 High Street Santa Cruz, CA 95064 (831) 459-2131 www.ucsc.edu (http://www.ucsc.edu)

- <sup>1</sup> Semester
- <sup>2</sup> Quarter
- <sup>3</sup> Graduate Health Science University