



PREPARING FOR COLLEGE ADMISSION
SESSION 2: CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES

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23 California
State Universities

1 University of
California with 9
undergraduate
campuses.

Cost of Attendance

The UC
Average

On-Camp
US

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

The CSU
Average

On-Camp
US

Off-Camp
US

Tuition and Fees	6,867	6,867
Books and Supplies	1,753	1,753
Food and Housing	13,019	11,860
Transportation	1,109	1,349
Misc, Personal	1,412	1,412
TOTAL	\$24,160	\$23,241

Minimum Requirements

- a. History/social science - 2 courses
- b. English (composition/literature) - 4 courses
- c. Mathematics (through int. III or algebra II) - 3 courses
- d. Laboratory science (from two disciplines) - 2 courses
- e. Language other than English (foreign language) - 2 courses
- f. Visual and performing arts - 1 course
- g. College-preparatory elective - 1 course

Eleven of the fifteen required "a-g" courses must be completed prior to the 12th grade/last year of secondary school. No particular course pattern is required.

A – HISTORY/SOCIAL STUDIES	EST III	Advanced Placement Studio Art – 3D Design	Theatre Arts IV
Advanced Geography Cultures	Geology	Broadcasting I	Visual Media (pending approval)
World History	Human Body Systems	Ceramics & Sculpture I	Wind Ensemble (pending approval)
Advanced Placement World History	Marine Biology	Ceramics & Sculpture II	G - ELECTIVE
U.S. History	Medical Interventions	Ceramics & Sculpture III	Advanced Placement Computer Science A
Advanced Placement U.S. History	Principles of Biomedical Science	Chamber Choir	Advanced Placement Computer Science Principles
Advanced Placement Government*	Physics	Concert Band	Advanced Placement Microeconomics*
B – ENGLISH	Advanced Placement Biology	Concert Choir	Advanced Placement Psychology
Language Arts I	Advanced Placement Chemistry	Advanced Women’s Ensemble	Broadcasting II
Language Arts I Advanced	Advanced Placement Environmental Science	Advanced Placement Music Theory	Digital Art II
Language Arts II	Advanced Placement Physics 1	Dance I	Digital Media Production Management
Language Arts II Advanced	Advanced Placement Physics 2	Dance II	Engineering for Manufacturing
Language Arts III	Advanced Placement Physics C: M	Dance III	Engineering Support Technologies I
Expository Reading & Writing (pending approval)	Advanced Placement Physics: E & M	Dance IV	Exploring Computer Science
Language Arts IV	E – FOREIGN LANGUAGE	Digital Art	Forensic Science (at WHS)
Advanced Placement English Language & Composition	French I	Graphic Communications I	Government/Economics
Advanced Placement English Literature & Composition	French II	Graphic Communications II	Information for Technology Essentials I (pending)
C – MATHEMATICS	French III	Guitar Lab	Information for Technology Essentials II (pending)
Integrated Math 1	French III Honors	Men’s Chorale	Journalism I
Integrated Math 2	French IV Honors	Photography I	Journalism II
Integrated Math 3	Spanish I	Photography II	Journalism III/IV
Math Analysis	Spanish II	Photography III	Positive Psychology (pending approval)
Pre-Calculus/Trigonometry Honors	Spanish II Advanced	Photography IV	Psychology**/Sociology**
Statistics	Spanish III	Photojournalism I	Publications Production II
Advanced Placement Calculus AB	Spanish III Honors	Photojournalism II	Publications Production III/IV
Advanced Placement Calculus BC	Spanish IV Honors	Piano Lab	Speech & Debate
Advanced Placement Statistics	F- VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS	Publications Design I	<i>*Course receives one semester of AP credit.</i>
D – LABORATORY SCIENCE	Art I	Publications Design III/IV Honors	<i>**Course receives one semester of UC approved credit.</i>
Anatomy	Art II	String Orchestra	
Biology	Art III	Symphonic Band	
Advanced Biology	Art IV	Technical Theatre	
Chemistry	Advanced Placement Studio Art - Drawing	Theatre Arts I	
Chemistry Honors	Advanced Placement Studio Art – 2D Design	Theatre Arts II/III	

A-G GPA Example

9th Grade

B-Language Arts I Adv	A, A
C-Integrated Math II	A-, B+
D-Principles of BioMed	B, B+
G-Speech/Debate	A, A-
E-French I	A+, A
G-Publication Des. I	A, A
Geog/Cultures	A-, A
PE I	A, A

10th Grade

B-Language Arts II Adv	B+, A
C-Integrated Math III	B+, B-
D-Chemistry Honors	A, B+
D-AP Physics I	A, A-
A-AP World History	B, B
Girls Weights	A, A
E-French II	A, A
F-Photojournalism I	A+, A+

11th Grade

B-AP Lang/Comp	B, A-
C-Pre-Calc/Trig Honors	B+, A-
D-Anatomy	B, B+
D-AP Physics II	A-, A-
A-AP US History	B, B
F-Dance I	A, A
E-French III Honors	A, A
F-Photojournalism II	A, A

12th Grade (planned)

B-AP Lit/Comp
C-AP Calculus AB
D-AP Physics C: M
A-AP Government
E-French IV Honors
F-Photojournalism III/IV

A-G Requirements

A - History, Social Studies	- 2
B - English	- 4
C - Mathematics	- 3
D - Lab Science	- 2
E - Foreign Language	- 2
F - Elective	- 1

A-G

Completed/Planned

A	- 3
B	- 4
C	- 4
D	- 6
E	- 4
F	- 3

GPA Calculation

(10 – 11th grade, A-G Only)

$$A - 18 \times 4 = 72$$

$$B - 12 \times 3 = 36$$

$$C - 0 \times 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Honors/AP } 10^{\text{th}} \text{ grade} - 6 \text{ (cap @ 4)} \quad 4 \times 1 = 4$$

$$\text{Honors/AP } 11^{\text{th}} \text{ grade} - 10 \text{ (cap @ 8)} \quad 4 \times 1 = 4$$

$$72 + 36 + 0 + 4 + 4 = 116$$

$$116 / 30 \text{ (number of a-g semesters)} =$$

3.866

Application Timelines

Date/Deadline	Event
August 1	UC Application Opens
October 1	CSU Application/Submission Window Opens
November 1	UC Submission Window Opens
November 30	UC and CSU Submission Deadline
February – March	Notification of admission
May 1	SIR Deadline
Mid-May – June	Waitlist Notification

CSU Index Style Review

- Uses only GPA and Test Scores – no extra-curricular activities, awards, service, leadership, etc.
- Application consists only of demographic information and self reporting of coursework/grades and test scores.
- Must submit a separate application for each university.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Calculating Your Eligibility Index

If you took the SAT prior to March 2016:

$(A-G \text{ GPA} \times 800) + (\text{SAT Critical Reading} + \text{Math Score}) = \text{Eligibility Index}$

If you took the Redesigned SAT:

$(A-G \text{ GPA} \times 800) + (\text{SAT Evidence Based Reading \& Writing (EBRW)} + \text{Math Score}) = \text{Eligibility Index}$

If you took the ACT:

$(A-G \text{ GPA} \times 200) + (10 \times \text{ACT Composite Score}) = \text{Eligibility Index}$

Minimum eligibility index for California residents is 2900 (SAT) or 694 (ACT)

CSU Acceptance Rates

University	# of Applicants	# Accepted	Acceptance Rate (%)
Cal Poly – SLO	46,820	14,651	31%
Cal Poly – Pomona	33,855	13,307	39%
CSU Bakersfield	8,432	5,797	69%
CSU Channel Islands	9,517	6,437	63%
CSU Chico	22,760	14,441	63%
CSU Dominguez Hills	16,018	8,452	53%
CSU East Bay	14,775	10,938	74%
CSU Fresno	19,938	10,406	52%

CSU Acceptance Rates

University	# of Applicants	# Accepted	Acceptance Rate (%)
CSU Fullerton	41,841	17,515	42%
CSU Long Beach	58,109	19,650	34%
CSU Los Angeles	31,855	21,704	68%
CSU Monterey Bay	15,561	7,576	49%
CSU Northridge	34,444	15,706	46%
CSU Sacramento	22,863	15,376	67%
CSU San Bernardino	13,804	8,916	65%
CSU San Marcos	13,718	7,413	54%

CSU Acceptance Rates

University	# of Applicants	# Accepted	Acceptance Rate (%)
CSU Stanislaus	7081	5001	71%
Humboldt State	13018	10024	77%
San Diego State	59051	20321	34%
San Francisco State	35,122	23841	68%
San Jose State	30584	16890	55%
Sonoma State	15265	11686	77%
Cal Maritime	1671	1012	61%

UC Holistic Review

Every UC Campus...

- gets the same application
- reviews for admission individually using content of the entire application - academic history, community service, work experience, awards & honors, extra curricular activities, test scores, personal insight questions
- makes admission decisions without knowledge of other campuses to which the student has applied nor the admission decisions of other campuses.

UC Holistic Review

- Grade-Point Average
- Test Scores
- Courses Completed/Planned
- Honors Courses
- Top 9% 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

- 1. Describe an example of your leadership experience in which you have positively influenced others, helped resolve disputes, or contributed to group efforts over time.
- 2. Every person has a creative side, and it can be expressed in many ways: problem solving, original and innovative thinking, and artistically, to name a few. Describe how you express your creative side.
- 3. What would you say is your greatest talent or skill? How have you developed and demonstrated that talent over time?
- 4. Describe how you have taken advantage of a significant educational opportunity or worked to overcome an educational barrier you have faced.
- 5. Describe the most significant challenge you have faced and the steps you have taken to overcome this challenge. How has this challenge affected your academic achievement?
- 6. Describe your favorite academic subject and explain how it has influenced you.
- 7. What have you done to make your school or your community a better place?
- 8. What is the one thing that you think sets you apart from other candidates applying to the University of California?

SAT Subject Exams

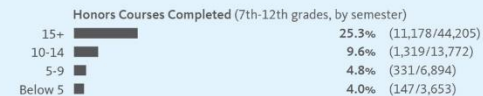
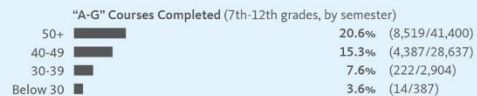
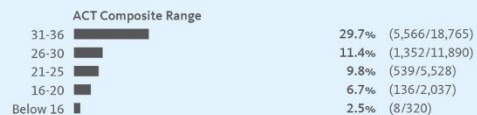
- **Berkeley** - *College of Chemistry and College of Engineering*: Math Level 2 and a science test closely related to the applicant's intended major.
- **Irvine** - *Claire Trevor School of the Arts*: recommends that freshman applicants take any SAT Subject Tests that will demonstrate the student's strengths. *Henry Samueli School of Engineering (including the joint Computer Science and Engineering major)*: Math Level 2 and a science test (Biology E/M, Chemistry, or Physics) closely related to the applicant's intended major. *Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences*: Biology M, Chemistry, and/or Math Level 2. *School of Physical Sciences*: Math Level 2. *Program in Public Health Sciences*: Biology E, Biology M, and/or Chemistry. *Program in Public Health Policy*: Biology E, Biology M, and/or World History.
- **Los Angeles** - *Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science*: Math Level 2 and a science test (Biology E/M, Chemistry, or Physics) closely related to the applicant's intended major.
- **Riverside** - *College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences and Bourns College of Engineering*: Math 2 and Chemistry or Physics, for all majors
- **San Diego** - *Jacobs School of Engineering and biological or physical sciences majors*: Math Level 2 and a science test (Biology E/M, Chemistry, or Physics) closely related to the applicant's intended major.
- **Santa Barbara** - *College of Engineering*: Math Level 2. *College of Creative Studies*: Math Level 2 for math majors, Math Level 2 and Physics for physics majors, Biology for biology majors, Chemistry for biochemistry and chemistry majors, Math Level 2 for computing majors
- **Davis, Marced, Santa Cruz** - Not recommended for any area.

UC Berkeley

Freshman admission profile
Fall 2016

Applications: 82,571 Admits: 14,429 Admit Rate: 17.5%

Admit Rate — By Percentage (Admits/Applicants)*



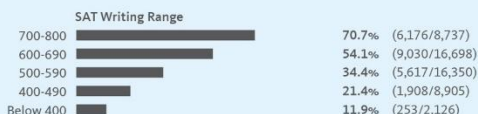
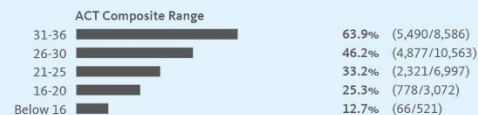
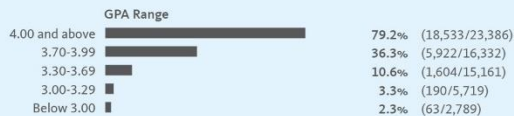
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UC Davis

Freshman admission profile
Fall 2016

Applications: 68,557 Admits: 28,971 Admit Rate: 42.3%

Admit Rate — By Percentage (Admits/Applicants)*



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UC Irvine

Freshman admission profile
Fall 2016

Applications: 77,817 Admits: 31,639 Admit Rate: 40.7%

Admit Rate — By Percentage (Admits/Applicants)*



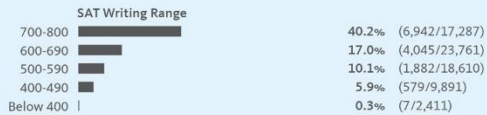
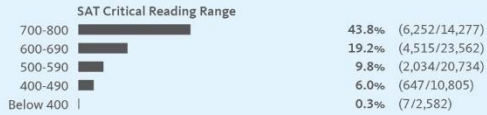
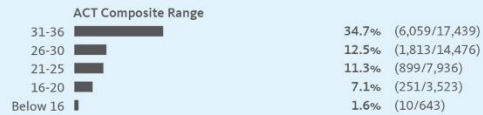
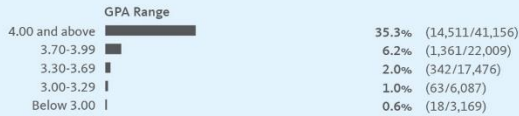
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UC Los Angeles

Freshman admission profile
Fall 2016

Applications: 97,115 Admits: 17,522 Admit Rate: 18.0%

Admit Rate — By Percentage (Admits/Applicants)*



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UC Merced

Freshman admission profile
Fall 2016

Applications: 20,887 Admits: 15,403 Admit Rate: 73.7%

Admit Rate — By Percentage (Admits/Applicants)*



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UC Riverside

Freshman admission profile
Fall 2016

Applications: 42,632 Admits: 28,240 Admit Rate: 66.2%

Admit Rate — By Percentage (Admits/Applicants)*



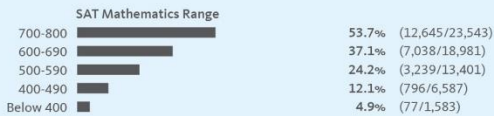
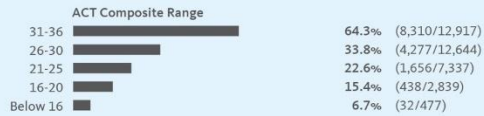
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UC San Diego

Freshman admission profile
Fall 2016

Applications: 84,222 Admits: 30,264 Admit Rate: 35.9%

Admit Rate — By Percentage (Admits/Applicants)*



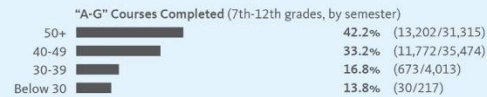
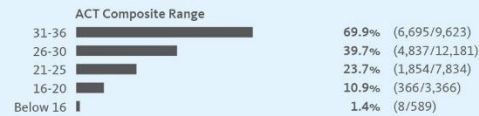
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UC Santa Barbara

Freshman admission profile
Fall 2016

Applications: 77,114 Admits: 27,648 Admit Rate: 35.9%

Admit Rate — By Percentage (Admits/Applicants)*



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UC Santa Cruz

Freshman admission profile
Fall 2016

Applications: 49,184 Admits: 28,705 Admit Rate: 58.4%

Admit Rate — By Percentage (Admits/Applicants)*



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Thank you for coming!

If you or your student are planning to apply to the University of California, you should absolutely consider attending the case study event on March 13.