UCLA Transfer Admission Guide • 2016–2017

YOUR GUIDE through the transfer admission process
Although UCLA is one of the most transfer-friendly campuses in the UC system, competition for transfer openings has increased in recent years. Strong academic preparation and performance are primary elements in our admission decisions. The average GPA of transfer applicants who are admitted to UCLA is more than 3.5, and most students who are admitted have completed most or all of the preparatory coursework for their majors. We give highest priority to students transferring from California community colleges or other University of California campuses.

**ALL SCHOOLS ADMIT FOR FALL QUARTER ONLY.**

### Academic Criteria
Additional school and/or major-specific academic criteria may be applicable as well as those outlined below. Please see more details in the section covering the UCLA school and major you are interested in.

- **Junior-level standing** (60 semester/90 quarter transferable units completed) by the end of the spring term before you transfer.
- GPA of 3.2 or higher earned in all transferable courses.
- Progress towards completion of major preparation requirements by spring prior to transfer. There may be additional lower division requirements that students can complete at their current institutions or at UCLA. Should a major not have specific prerequisites, we expect students to demonstrate interest in academic study by completing coursework related to the major.
- Completion of the following by spring prior to transfer:
  - **Two (2) transferable courses in English composition/critical thinking and writing**
  - **One (1) transferable math course** that has a prerequisite of intermediate algebra or higher
  - **Four (4) transferable college courses** in at least two of the following subject areas: arts and humanities, social and behavioral sciences, physical and biological sciences.

### Comprehensive Review
Our selection process is thorough and comprehensive. In addition to academic criteria, we also consider the following personal criteria:

- Employment while attending school
- Family responsibilities
- A return to school where early grades are not indicative of strong academic performance
- Involvement in campus organizations and community service
- Military service
- Other circumstances that may have prevented you from achieving your highest academic performance.
Important Resources For California Community College Students

Please visit www.assist.org for information regarding:

• University of California Transfer Course Agreements
• Selected Major Preparation Articulation Agreements for all California community colleges. The agreements list all the lower division course requirements for select majors at UCLA and the courses students can complete at their community colleges to satisfy these requirements.
• Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) course lists. IGETC enables students at California community colleges to complete UCLA General Education requirements before they transfer.

The UCLA Transfer Alliance Program (TAP), while not a transfer guarantee, allows you to enhance your ability to transfer to UCLA at the junior level from a California community college. Students are certified after completing the honors/scholars program at participating community colleges and given priority consideration for admission to UCLA College of Letters and Science. Consult with your college’s honors program to see if it is a TAP participant.

UCLA sends admission representatives to many California community colleges during the academic year through its Community College Transfer Recruitment (CCTR) and the Student Transfer Outreach and Mentor Program (STOMP). Visit your college’s Transfer Center to schedule an appointment. Also visit admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/transfer for UC system-wide transfer information.
If you think your undergraduate major will determine your future career, think again! Most undergraduate majors are broad and theoretical, providing you with the keys to unlocking any number of career paths, including higher education opportunities.

**HERE ARE SOME THINGS TO CONSIDER BEFORE DECIDING ON A MAJOR**

In general, the liberal arts degrees that you’ll find at UCLA are not geared toward particular careers. With any of our majors, you will gain fundamental and marketable skills in critical thinking, writing, problem solving and communication that are valued by employers in every field.

Consider majors that are intellectually rewarding to you, regardless of whether you think they are the “right” majors for your graduate studies or future career goals. You can also supplement your major with one or more minors in other subjects that might interest you.

Don’t ignore outside influences like your family or community, but make sure you have your own reasons for choosing a specific major. And remember that there are multiple pathways to achieving your future goals.

Explore the characteristics and requirements of the various departments and majors you are considering, keeping in mind your optimal learning style (lectures vs. seminars vs. labs, etc.). If you are hoping to sample electives in various subjects, remember that some majors are more flexible than others.

If you’re interested in professional programs like medicine, law, or business school, your undergraduate major makes very little difference. For instance, only 53% of students who enrolled in medical school in 2014 majored in biological sciences*. Law and business schools, as well, give little or no preference to specific undergraduate majors. So, go ahead and explore those subjects that interest you most! You’ll probably enjoy the coursework and earn stronger grades, which will ultimately provide you with a more competitive record for graduate school and employment.

Remember that transfer admission at UCLA is dependent on the successful completion of major-specific preparatory coursework and a competitive GPA, and some majors are significantly more selective than others. Take a look at the following charts showing some of our more popular majors and their admission rates.

*reported by Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC)
### HIGHLY SELECTIVE MAJORS*: FALL 2014 TRANSFERS - APPLIED VS. ADMITTED

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<td>4.69%</td>
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<td>4.92%</td>
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### OTHER MAJORS: FALL 2014 TRANSFERS - APPLIED VS. ADMITTED

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<td>Comparative Literature</td>
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*Demand for the major significantly exceeds space available
As one of the flagship campuses of the University of California system, we know that UCLA is a top destination for many transfer applicants. Every year, however, UCLA receives more transfer applications than spaces available. For that reason, and because UCLA offers no transfer admission guarantee, we encourage you to make yourself competitive for multiple UC campuses. UC has simplified that process for ten of the most popular majors through their new Transfer Pathways.

Transfer Pathways are sets of courses that you can take to satisfy the major pre-requisites for any of the nine UC undergraduate campuses. Following one of the pathways will open up your transfer options and will position you to graduate in a timely manner from whichever UC campus you choose to attend.

Although more pathways will be added in the coming year, currently Transfer Pathways cover the following ten majors:

- Anthropology
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Cell Biology
- Chemistry
- Economics
- Mathematics
- Molecular Biology
- Physics
- Sociology

You can find more information about Transfer Pathways at admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/transfer/preparation-paths. Keep in mind, though, that the pathways are not meant to replace ASSIST or your academic counselor; they are simply another tool to help you achieve your transfer goals.
You should complete as many major preparatory courses as possible prior to transferring based on the availability of the courses at your current school and/or local schools. California community college students are strongly encouraged to complete IGETC; all other transfer students are encouraged to make progress toward completion of the UCLA general education requirements.

Some majors are highly selective; for these we look for stronger preparation and the completion of most preparatory courses before transferring (in addition to the aforementioned criteria). A significant number of courses should be completed at the time of application. Consider your major choice carefully. Changing your major once you have been admitted to UCLA may not be an option.

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES
One African American Studies course and one civilizations of Africa course.
AFRICAN AND MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES
One year of Arabic, Armenian, Hebrew, Persian, Turkish, or African language; one course in art history, contemporary culture, or history (post-1750) of Africa or the Middle East; two courses from sociocultural anthropology, cultural geography, contemporary world history, or world literature; and two courses from comparative politics, economic geography, microeconomics, macroeconomics, or introductory sociology.

AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES
One introductory course in American Indian studies and two courses from the following: sociocultural anthropology, American politics, statistics, and introduction to gender studies.

AMERICAN LITERATURE & CULTURE
One course in English composition (expository writing), one course in critical reading and writing (composition and literature), one year survey of literatures in English (all students must complete a survey of British literature to 1850 and either British literature from 1850 to the present or a survey of American literature), and two years of one foreign language or a combination of courses in foreign language and foreign literature.

ANCIENT NEAR EAST AND EGYPTOLOGY
One civilization course on Mesopotamia, Egypt, Near Eastern archaeology, or Middle Eastern cultures.

ANTHROPOLOGY (B.A.)
One course each in human evolution, archaeology, sociocultural anthropology, and culture and communication.

ANTHROPOLOGY (B.S.)
One course each in human evolution, archaeology, sociocultural anthropology, culture and communication, and statistics; one year each of general biology with lab for the major, calculus, general chemistry with lab, and calculus-based physics with lab; and one lower division course in organic chemistry.

ART HISTORY
Two courses in ancient, medieval, Renaissance and Baroque, or modern art, and two courses in African, Asian, Oceanic, Native American, or pre-Columbian art. Students should save syllabi for all art history and art courses to petition the department for exemption from lower division requirements after admission.

ASIAN AMERICAN STUDIES
One course surveying Asian American history to 1965, one course surveying contemporary issues in Asian American studies from 1965 to the present. Students should save syllabi for all Asian American Studies courses to petition the department for exemption from lower division requirements after admission.

ASIAN STUDIES
Two years of an Asian language (e.g. Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Tagalog, Vietnamese, Hindi, Urdu, etc.); one course in art history, contemporary culture, or history (post-1750) of Asia; two courses from sociocultural anthropology, cultural geography, contemporary world history, or world literature; and two courses from comparative politics, economic geography, microeconomics, macroeconomics, or introductory sociology.

ASIAN LANGUAGES & CULTURES

ASIAN HUMANITIES: Two years of Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Filipino/Tagalog, Hindi, Indonesian, Thai, or Vietnamese; one course in Asian civilization or introduction to Buddhism or introduction to Asian religions.

ASIAN RELIGIONS: Two years of Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Filipino/Tagalog, Hindi, Indonesian, Thai, or Vietnamese or one year of Sanskrit; one course in introduction to Buddhism or introduction to Asian religions.

CHINESE, JAPANESE, OR KOREAN: Two years of the selected language and one accompanying civilization course.
ASTROPHYSICS
To be considered for this major, you must complete at least 1.5 years of calculus with analytic geometry through multivariable and one year of calculus-based physics (mechanics, electricity, and magnetism) by the spring prior to transfer. Additional recommended coursework prior to transfer: two courses in astrophysics (stars, nebulae, stellar evolution, galaxies, and cosmology), linear algebra and differential equations, one semester of calculus-based physics for the major (electrodynamics, optics, and special relativity), one course in computer programming, and one course in general chemistry for the major.

ATMOSPHERIC, OCEANIC & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
One year of calculus, 1.5 years of calculus-based physics with lab, one year of general chemistry, one course in C++ programming, and two courses from climate change, air pollution, and atmospheric environment. Applicants are strongly encouraged to complete as many preparatory courses as possible. Remaining major preparatory coursework may be completed at UCLA after transfer.

BIOCHEMISTRY
To be considered for this major, you must complete at least three semesters/four quarters of calculus through multivariable; one year of general chemistry with lab; one year of biology with lab for the major (cellular, molecular, genetic); one course in organic chemistry with lab; and one course in calculus-based physics with lab. Additional recommended coursework prior to transfer: a second semester or two quarters of organic chemistry with lab, two semesters/two quarters of calculus-based physics, and linear algebra.

BIOLOGY
See Life Sciences.

BIOPHYSICS
To be considered for this major, you must complete at least 1.5 years of calculus with analytic geometry through multivariable and one year of calculus-based physics (mechanics, electricity, and magnetism) by the spring prior to transfer. Additional recommended coursework prior to transfer: linear algebra and differential equations, one semester of calculus-based physics for the major, one year of general chemistry for the major, one year of organic chemistry, and one year of biology with lab for the major (cellular, molecular, genetic).

BUSINESS ECONOMICS
To be considered for this major, all of the preparatory courses listed here must be completed by the spring before transfer. One course in microeconomics, one course in macroeconomics, two courses in calculus (from the math/physical science sequence), one course in introduction to financial accounting, one course in introduction to managerial accounting, and one advanced course in English composition. Note: You must be admitted directly into this major. You will not be able to change into this major after admission to UCLA.

CENTRAL & EAST EUROPEAN LANGUAGES & CULTURES
One course in introduction to Central, Eastern Europe and Slavic civilization.

CHEMISTRY MAJORS
ALL MAJORS: To be considered for any Chemistry major, you must complete at least three semesters/four quarters of calculus through multivariable; one year of general chemistry with lab; one course in organic chemistry with lab; and one course in calculus-based physics with lab by the spring prior to transfer.

CHEMISTRY: Additional recommended coursework prior to transfer: a second semester or two quarters of organic chemistry with lab and two semesters/two quarters of calculus-based physics. For Chemistry majors with Chemistry Concentration, differential equations; for Chemistry majors with Physical Chemistry concentration, linear algebra and differential equations.

CHEMISTRY/MATERIALS SCIENCE: Additional recommended coursework prior to transfer: two semesters/two quarters of calculus-based physics, and differential equations.

GENERAL CHEMISTRY: Additional recommended coursework prior to transfer: a second semester or two quarters of organic chemistry with lab, two semesters/two quarters of calculus-based physics for the major (electrodynamics, optics, and special relativity), and differential equations.
CHICANA & CHICANO STUDIES
One course each in introduction to Chicana/Chicano history and culture and introduction to Chicana/Chicano social structure and contemporary conditions; the equivalent of five quarter terms of Spanish.

CLASSICAL CIVILIZATION
One year of Greek or Latin, one course in classical Greek culture, one course in Roman civilization, and two courses in Greek or Latin literature in translation, classical mythology, or classical archaeology.

COGNITIVE SCIENCE
Two courses in calculus/analytic geometry, one course each in introductory psychology, biology, introductory physics or chemistry or linguistics, philosophy (critical reasoning, philosophy of science, logic, or philosophy of the mind), introduction to C++ programming, and two additional computer programming courses.

COMMUNICATION STUDIES
This major is highly selective; applications undergo review by faculty in the Communication Studies department. A minimum UC-transferable cumulative GPA of 3.70 is required for faculty review. Students must complete a minimum of four major prep courses from the seven listed below by the fall term prior to admission, and all courses must be taken for a letter grade: One course each in introduction to mass and interpersonal communication studies, principles of public speaking, introduction to linguistics, and statistics; three courses from the following four areas: introductory psychology, introduction to American government/politics, introductory sociology; one course in microeconomics or intro to political economy.

PLEASE NOTE: If two courses are listed in ASSIST as equivalents of Comm Studies 10, then BOTH courses must be completed in order to satisfy this major requirement. Applications will NOT be forwarded for faculty review if the minimum four courses (in this case five courses) are not completed by the end of the fall prior to transfer. For more information regarding this major, visit www.commstudies.ucla.edu.

COMPARATIVE LITERATURE
One course in English composition (expository writing), one course in critical reading and writing (composition and literature) and two survey courses in world or English literature. Students must demonstrate one year of proficiency in a foreign language. However, completion of two years of a foreign language is highly recommended as major preparation for upper division coursework.

COMPUTATIONAL & SYSTEMS BIOLOGY
One year of general chemistry with lab for the major, one semester of organic chemistry, two years of calculus, one year of biology with lab for the major (cellular, molecular, genetic), 1.5 years of calculus-based physics for the major, and introduction to computer science or introduction to computer programming.

EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE (B.A.)
One introductory course in Earth science, one year of general chemistry with lab, and one course in calculus. Additional recommended coursework prior to transfer: one biology course with lab for the major (evolution) and one calculus-based physics course with lab. Remaining major preparatory coursework may be completed at UCLA after transfer.

ECONOMICS
To be considered for this major, all of the preparatory courses listed here must be completed by the spring before transfer. One course in microeconomics, one course in macroeconomics, one course in quantitative methods, two courses in calculus (from the math/physical science sequence), and one advanced course in English composition. Note: You must be admitted directly into this major. You will not be able to change into this major after admission to UCLA.

ENGINEERING GEOLOGY
One introductory course in Earth science, one year of general chemistry with lab, and one year of calculus. Additional recommended coursework prior to transfer: a second year of calculus. Remaining major preparatory coursework may be completed at UCLA after transfer.

ENGLISH
One course in English composition (expository writing), one course in critical reading and writing (composition and literature), one year survey of literatures in English (all students must complete a survey of British literature
to 1850 and either British literature from 1850 to the present or a survey of American literature), and two years of one foreign language or a combination of courses in foreign language and foreign literature in translation.

**ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**
One course each in statistics and introduction to environmental science or introduction to earth science; one year each of calculus, general chemistry with lab for the major, and general biology with lab for the major (evolution, cellular). Additional recommended coursework prior to transfer: one year of calculus-based physics (mechanics, electricity, and magnetism); two additional courses from the following, depending upon your concentration: one semester of organic chemistry, third semester of calculus, third semester of calculus-based physics, and general biology with lab for the major (molecular). For more information, refer to the UCLA General Catalog at [catalog.registrar.ucla.edu](http://catalog.registrar.ucla.edu). Applicants are strongly encouraged to complete as many preparatory courses as possible. Remaining major preparatory coursework may be completed at UCLA after transfer.

**EUROPEAN STUDIES**
Two years of a modern European language other than English; one course in art history, contemporary culture, or history (post-1750) of Europe; two courses from sociocultural anthropology, cultural geography, contemporary world history, or world literature; and two courses from comparative politics, economic geography, macroeconomics, microeconomics, or introductory sociology.

**GENDER STUDIES**
One multidisciplinary gender studies course. Disciplinary courses (e.g., introductory anthropology/history/literature/psychology/sociology of gender/women) do not satisfy this requirement, but are recommended to demonstrate intention for this major.

**GEOGRAPHY**
One physical or biogeography course; one cultural, economic or world regions geography course; one statistics course.

**GEOGRAPHY/ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**
One course in each of the following: physical geography or biogeography; cultural, economic, or world regions geography; people and ecosystems; statistics.

**GEOLOGY**
One introductory course in Earth science, one year of general chemistry with lab, and one year of calculus. Remaining major preparatory coursework may be completed at UCLA after transfer.
GEOPHYSICS
One introductory course in Earth science, one semester of calculus-based physics with lab, and one year of calculus. Additional recommended coursework prior to transfer: a second year of calculus and a second semester of calculus-based physics with lab. Remaining major preparatory coursework may be completed at UCLA after transfer.

GLOBAL STUDIES ▲
To be considered for this major, a minimum of six preparatory courses must be completed by the spring before transfer and a supplemental application must be submitted during the fall quarter in which you are admitted: Introduction to globalization, statistics, two years of a modern foreign language, and five courses, with no more than two from any of the following three categories:
1. Sociocultural anthropology, cultural geography, global music, or world literature;
2. Contemporary world history, comparative or world politics, political theory, or introduction to sociology;
3. Introduction to economic geography, or microeconomics or macroeconomics.

HISTORY ▲
One semester or two quarter courses of Western civilization or world history and two semester or three quarter courses from histories of the United States, Europe, Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Near East, or science and technology.

HUMAN BIOLOGY & SOCIETY (B.A.) ▲
To be considered for this major, a minimum of five preparatory courses must be completed by the spring before transfer: One course in human evolution, one year of biology with lab for the major (evolution, cellular), one course in statistics, one semester of general chemistry; one course from philosophy (contemporary moral issues, political philosophy, philosophy of science, or ethical theory) or introduction to gender studies; one course from sociocultural anthropology, cultural geography, or introduction to sociology.

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES ▲
To be considered for this major, a minimum of six preparatory courses must be completed by the spring before transfer and a supplemental application must be submitted during the fall quarter in which you are admitted:
Two economics courses (economic geography, microeconomics, macroeconomics); one statistics course; two years of a modern foreign language; and three courses, each from a different category selected from:
1. Sociocultural anthropology
2. Cultural or regional geography
3. Introduction to globalization
4. Contemporary history/civilization/culture of a developing region of the world
5. Comparative or world politics
6. Introduction to sociology
7. Introductory gender studies.

JEWISH STUDIES
One social, cultural, and religious institutions of Judaism course. Students intending to enter the Jewish Religion, Jewish Literature & Culture, or Israeli Studies track: one year of Hebrew language.

LANGUAGE MAJORS ■
Two years of coursework in the selected language:
FRENCH
FRENCH & LINGUISTICS
GERMAN
ITALIAN
ITALIAN & SPECIAL FIELDS
SCANDINAVIAN LANGUAGES & CULTURES
Two years of coursework in the selected language(s) and additional coursework as follows:
PORTUGUESE: One Brazilian culture course.
SPANISH: One Spanish civilization course and one Spanish American civilization course.
SPANISH AND LINGUISTICS: One introduction to linguistics course and one Spanish civilization course or Spanish American civilization course.
SPANISH AND PORTUGUESE: One Spanish civilization course or Spanish American civilization course, and one Brazilian culture course.

One year of coursework in the selected language(s). Supplemental courses can be used to replace additional language courses, including related courses in civilization, culture, history, linguistics, literature, and closely related languages:
GREEK
GREEK & LATIN
LATIN
One year of coursework in the selected language:

ARABIC
IRANIAN STUDIES

LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES
Two years each of Spanish and Portuguese (or an indigenous language of Latin America); one course in art history, contemporary culture, or history (post-1750) of Latin America; two courses from sociocultural anthropology, cultural geography, contemporary world history, or world literature; and two courses from comparative politics, economic geography, microeconomics, macroeconomics, or introductory sociology.

LIFE SCIENCES MAJORS
BILOGY
ECOLOGY, BEHAVIOR, & EVOLUTION
HUMAN BIOLOGY & SOCIETY (B.S.)
MARINE BIOLOGY
MICROBIOLOGY, IMMUNOLOGY, & MOLECULAR GENETICS
MOLECULAR, CELL, & DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY
NEUROSCIENCE
PHYSIOLOGICAL SCIENCE
PSYCHOBIOLOGY

To be considered for admission the following pattern of core courses must be completed by the spring before transfer: One year each of biology with lab for the major, calculus, and general chemistry with lab for the major; one semester of organic chemistry with lab. A second semester of organic chemistry and one year of calculus-based physics is strongly recommended. In addition to the above requirements, the Psychobiology major requires one introductory psychology course. The Human Biology and Society (B.S.) major requires one course in human evolution; one course in statistics; one course from philosophy (contemporary moral issues, political philosophy, philosophy of science, or ethical theory) or introduction to gender studies; one course from sociocultural anthropology, cultural geography, or introduction to sociology. Note: Because life sciences majors require the completion of extensive preparatory coursework prior to transfer, you must be admitted directly into a life sciences major; you will not be able to change from a non-life sciences major into a life sciences major after admission to UCLA.

LINGUISTICS MAJORS

ALL MAJORS: One course in introduction to linguistics and two years of one foreign language (except Linguistics & Computer Science majors may complete one year each in two foreign languages). Additional requirements include the following:

APPLIED LINGUISTICS: Introduction to applied linguistics; two courses from: language and social interaction, language and gender, anthropology (culture and communication), or introductory psychology.

LINGUISTICS: One year of a second language (at least one year of the foreign language requirements must be completed in a language other than those in the Romance, Slavic, or Germanic families); and a choice of two of the following: symbolic logic, introductory psychology, and sociocultural anthropology.

LINGUISTICS & ANTHROPOLOGY: One year of a second language (at least one year of the foreign language requirements must be completed in a language other than those in the Romance, Slavic, or Germanic families); one course in anthropology (culture and communication) is strongly recommended.

LINGUISTICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE: One year of calculus with analytic geometry, one symbolic logic course, four computer programming courses; discrete structures is strongly recommended.

LINGUISTICS & ENGLISH: One year of a second language, one course in critical reading and writing (composition and literature), one year survey of English literature, and one course in symbolic logic.

LINGUISTICS & LANGUAGE MAJORS:
- LINGUISTICS & ASIAN LANGUAGES & CULTURES
- LINGUISTICS & FRENCH
- LINGUISTICS & ITALIAN
- LINGUISTICS & SCANDINAVIAN LANGUAGES
- LINGUISTICS & SPANISH

In addition to the two years of your selected language, one year of a second language; related courses in civilization, culture, history, and closely related languages.
LINGUISTICS & PHILOSOPHY: One year of a second language; one course in symbolic logic; and two introductory courses in Western philosophy, political philosophy, philosophy of mind or skepticism and rationality.

LINGUISTICS & PSYCHOLOGY: One year of a second foreign language, introductory psychology, an introductory course in cognitive science; an introduction to programming course is strongly recommended.

MATHEMATICS MAJORS
ALL MAJORS: To be considered for any Mathematics major, you must complete at least four semesters/five quarters of calculus through multivariable and either linear algebra or differential equations by the spring prior to transfer. Additional recommended coursework prior to transfer: All mathematics majors should complete the calculus series (encompassing single variable, multivariable, linear algebra and differential equations) and one introductory course in C++. Additional requirements also include the following:

MATHEMATICS ▲: One course in calculus-based physics (mechanics); two additional courses in calculus-based physics, general chemistry, biology with lab for the major (evolution), or symbolic logic.

APPLIED MATHEMATICS or MATHEMATICS OF COMPUTATION ▲: Two courses in calculus-based physics (mechanics, electricity, and magnetism) and one course in general chemistry for the major or a third course in calculus-based physics. Additionally for Mathematics of Computation: intermediate/advanced C++ programming and one discrete structures course.

FINANCIAL ACTUARIAL MATHEMATICS ▲: One course in microeconomics, one course in macroeconomics, one course in introduction to financial accounting, and one course in introduction to managerial accounting.

MATHEMATICS/APPLIED SCIENCE ▲: For additional lower division courses specific to your Applied Science field (History of Science and Medical and Life Sciences) refer to the UCLA General Catalog at catalog.registrar.ucla.edu.

MATHEMATICS/ATMOSPHERIC & OCEANIC SCIENCES: 1.5 years of calculus-based physics for the major and two courses from climate change, air pollution, atmospheric environment, and solar/planetary climate. For additional lower division coursework refer to the UCLA General Catalog at catalog.registrar.ucla.edu.

MATHEMATICS/ECONOMICS ●▲: One course each in microeconomics and macroeconomics, discrete structures, and one intermediate course in critical reading and writing.

MATHEMATICS FOR TEACHING ▲: One discrete structures course, one course in calculus-based physics (mechanics), and two additional courses from calculus-based physics, general chemistry, or computer programming.

MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES ■ One year of Arabic, Armenian, Hebrew, Persian, Turkish, or another modern middle Eastern language.

MUSIC HISTORY 4 semester/6 quarter units of music performance. One year of music theory (or equivalent) is required as preparation for UCLA’s Music Theory Placement Exam and entrance to Music History courses. One course in basic musicianship, one course in world music, and one course in music appreciation may be substituted for first-year Core courses.

PHILOSOPHY One introductory course each in philosophy of the mind or in skepticism and rationality, ethical theory, and symbolic logic; one additional introductory philosophy course (e.g., contemporary moral issues, Western philosophy, introduction to philosophy, etc.).

PHYSICS (B.A. & B.S.) To be considered for this major, you must complete at least 1.5 years of calculus with analytic geometry through multivariable and one year of calculus-based physics (mechanics, electricity, and magnetism) by the spring prior to transfer. Additional recommended coursework prior to transfer: linear algebra and differential equations, one semester of calculus-based physics for the major and one course in general chemistry for the major.
POLITICAL SCIENCE

To be considered for this major, you must have completed at least three preparatory courses by the spring before transfer. Four of the following courses: introduction to political theory, international relations/world politics, introduction to American government/politics, introduction to comparative politics, politics and strategy, and diversity and disagreement. Students are also required to complete a course in statistics. All statistics courses used towards meeting the requirement for this major must be articulated with UCLA’s Statistics 10. Please see the articulation agreements on www.assist.org to see if your college offers an approved statistics course. Not all UC transferable statistics courses are equivalent to UCLA’s Statistics 10 even though they may be used for IGETC.

Note: If you are not admitted directly into this major you may petition to change to it. Petition criteria that must be met include: 1) completion of at least three preparatory courses by the spring before transfer, 2) a 3.7 minimum GPA in UC transferable courses, 3) a 3.7 minimum GPA in all UC transferable courses that will be used for the major including lower and upper division courses, and 4) completion of all remaining preparatory requirements with a UC GPA of at least a 3.3.

PSYCHOLOGY

To be considered for this major, all of the preparatory courses listed here must be completed by the spring before transfer. One course in each of the following: introductory psychology, introductory biology, introductory physics or chemistry, introductory philosophy, and one quantitative reasoning course in statistics, finite mathematics, calculus, computer science theory, or programming in C++. (Statistics is strongly recommended as preparation for upper division work.) Note: You must be admitted directly into this major. You will not be able to change into this major after admission to UCLA.

RUSSIAN LANGUAGE & LITERATURE

Two years of Russian language and one course in introduction to Russian civilization.

RUSSIAN STUDIES

Two years of Russian language and one course in introduction to Russian civilization.

SOCIOLOGY

To be considered for this major, both of the preparatory courses listed here must be completed by the spring before transfer. One course in introduction to sociology and one course in statistics.

SPANISH & COMMUNITY & CULTURE

Two years of Spanish, one Spanish civilization course, and one Spanish American civilization course.

STATISTICS

One introductory course in statistics, three semester or four quarter courses of calculus, one course in linear algebra, and one course in introduction to C++ programming. All statistics courses used towards meeting the requirement for this major must be approved courses. Please see the articulation agreements on www.assist.org to see if your college offers an approved statistics course.

STUDY OF RELIGION

One course each in introduction to history of religion and introduction to philosophy of religion; two courses selected from: introduction to Buddhism; sociocultural anthropology; Western civilization; introduction to civilizations of Africa; or history of China, Japan, India, or the Near and Middle East.
Major Requirements for the Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science

The Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science offers the following undergraduate majors:

AEROSPACE ENGINEERING
BIOENGINEERING
CHEMICAL ENGINEERING
CIVIL ENGINEERING
COMPUTER SCIENCE
COMPUTER SCIENCE & ENGINEERING
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
MATERIALS ENGINEERING
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

ENGLISH: Two transferable courses in English composition are required.

MATHEMATICS: Calculus and analytic geometry, calculus of several variables, differential equations, and linear algebra.

PHYSICS: Calculus-based courses with labs in mechanics of solids, vibration, wave motion, sound, fluids, heat, electricity and magnetism, electromagnetic waves, light, and relativity.

CHEMISTRY: Two terms of general chemistry with lab. Only one course in general chemistry is required for Computer Science, Computer Science and Engineering, and Electrical Engineering. One year of chemistry with lab...
and two terms of organic chemistry are required for Bioengineering and Chemical Engineering.

**COMPUTER PROGRAMMING:** One course in Java, C, C++, or Matlab. Applicants to Electrical Engineering, Computer Science, or Computer Science and Engineering should take C++. For all other majors, Matlab is preferred.

**BIOLOGY:** One year of biology with lab for the major (cellular, molecular, and genetic) is strongly recommended for Bioengineering.

**ADDITIONAL COURSES:** Applicants to majors in the Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science must complete at least one course from the humanities or social sciences for UC eligibility and are encouraged to complete up to four courses in those areas and one life science elective. (Completion of IGETC or UC Reciprocity is not required/encouraged for entrance to these majors; partial IGETC will not be accepted.) Students may satisfy core requirements by completing engineering courses in statics, dynamics, strength of materials, properties of materials, and circuit analysis, depending on their major. Applicants to the school must have a **minimum 3.0 GPA** at the time of application. In addition to the UC Application, applicants are required to submit supplemental application materials (e.g., portfolio or audition, artist statements, and letters of recommendation; additional fees may apply). Specific requirements, procedures, and deadlines are available on each department's website—see individual major sections below for more information. Applicants should begin working on the department's supplemental application shortly after submitting the UC Application as deadlines are strictly enforced.

**ARCHITECTURAL STUDIES**

The focus of the Architectural Studies major is on the built environment. The curriculum conceives of architecture as a cultural, creative, and technical practice and a discipline with direct social impact. Within the context of a liberal arts education, a finely balanced set of architecture and urban design courses ranging from the history and theory of design to contemporary building technologies will provide students with a diverse foundation of knowledge in the field of architecture and prepare them for graduate school and/or careers in a wide range of fields.

**PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR**

- Two courses in the history of architecture (Pre-history–Mannerism and 1600–Present)
- One introduction to architectural studies course

*Most transfer applicants will be required to complete these three preparatory courses at UCLA.*

**PORTFOLIO AND SUPPLEMENTAL REQUIREMENTS:**

In addition to the general UC Application, students must submit a portfolio of creative work as well as departmental statement of interest by digital upload. Additional fees may apply. Specific guidelines may be found at: [www.arts.ucla.edu/prospective-students](http://www.arts.ucla.edu/prospective-students).

**ART**

The department is committed to professional art training and encourages new fields of investigation. Students complete coursework in the following areas: drawing, sculpture, painting, photography, ceramics, new genres, and art theory.

**PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR**

- One course in each of the following: drawing; sculpture; painting; photography; ceramics; and new genres (performance art, video art, installation, and non-studio work);
- Four courses in art history (including one covering each of the following art historical periods: 1850s–1920s, 1920s–1960s, and 1960s–present).
**Substitutions for lower division requirements will be determined by the department in the summer following admission. Syllabi or other descriptive course documentation may be required for consideration.**

**PORTFOLIO AND SUPPLEMENTAL REQUIREMENTS:**

In addition to the general UC Application, students must submit a portfolio of creative work as well as departmental statement of interest by digital upload. Additional fees may apply. Specific guidelines may be found at: [www.arts.ucla.edu/prospective-students](http://www.arts.ucla.edu/prospective-students).

**DANCE**

The Department of World Arts and Cultures/Dance is at the forefront of innovative, interdisciplinary, and cross-cultural studies of the arts, offering a curriculum in which students can explore the vital relationship of the arts and performance to cultural theory and criticism. The Dance major thoroughly integrates learning to dance, creating choreography, and critical interrogation of dance as a cultural practice. Students study a variety of dance techniques from around the world throughout their studies. They enroll in a four-term sequence in dance composition, with additional opportunities to participate in the creation of their own dances, as well as working as dancers in the creation of new works by faculty members and visiting artists. Further, they engage in a core of four courses in the study of scholarly discourse around the body and dance, launching a critical inquiry into their own study of bodily practices, internalization of the embodied experience, and how bodily ideas and embodied experiences are interpreted and communicated outwardly and interpersonally, both locally and globally.

**PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR:**

All preparatory coursework should be completed at UCLA. **Substitutions for lower division requirements will be determined by the department in the summer following admission. Syllabi or other descriptive course documentation may be required for consideration.**

**AUDITION/INTERVIEW AND SUPPLEMENTAL REQUIREMENTS:**

Successful applicants must have strong academic preparation and show evidence of involvement in the arts and community that demonstrates interests in varied cultures. In addition to the general UC Application, applicants must submit a supplemental application and letters of recommendation by digital upload. Additional fees may apply. Applicants to the Dance major will be asked to audition. Specific guidelines may be found at: [www.arts.ucla.edu/prospective-students](http://www.arts.ucla.edu/prospective-students).

**DESIGN | MEDIA ARTS**

The program emphasizes visual, audio, analytical, theoretical, and technology mediated work in design and media arts. It fully integrates computers and other digital technology into the curriculum. This uniquely challenging program invites students to balance their aesthetic sensibility with logical reasoning, formal theories with practical application, and contemporary thought with historical perspective.

**PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR**

- One course in each of the following: drawing; color theory; two- and three-dimensional form; digital media/computer design; letterforms and typography; design culture; and interactivity and media art;
- Two courses in design history.

**Substitutions for lower division requirements will be determined by the department in the summer following admission. Syllabi or other descriptive course documentation may be required for consideration.**

**PORTFOLIO AND SUPPLEMENTAL REQUIREMENTS:**

In addition to the general UC Application, applicants must submit a portfolio of creative work by digital upload. Additional fees may apply. Specific guidelines may be found at: [www.arts.ucla.edu/prospective-students](http://www.arts.ucla.edu/prospective-students).

**ETHNOMUSICOLGY (Jazz Studies and World Music)**

The major combines hands-on musical experience with academic study to explore the rich variety of musical expressions throughout the world, including Africa, Europe, the Americas; and West, East, South, and Southeast Asia. Concentrations in Jazz Studies and World Music are offered.

**PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR:**

All preparatory coursework should be completed at UCLA.

**AUDITION/INTERVIEW AND SUPPLEMENTAL REQUIREMENTS:**

In addition to the general UC Application, applicants must audition/interview for their concentration, and submit a supplemental application and letters of recommendation by digital upload. Additional fees may apply. Specific guidelines may be found at: [www.arts.ucla.edu/prospective-students](http://www.arts.ucla.edu/prospective-students).
MUSIC
With a strong focus on the musical traditions of Europe as well as international and American musical styles of the last century, the major offers concentrations in Performance, Music Education, and Composition.

PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR
• A one year comprehensive music theory course sequence, covering musicianship and theory, as well as keyboard skills if needed;
• One year of music history and analysis;
• Two years of applied private instruction on a primary instrument or in voice (one year of additional instruction for composition specialists);
• For Composition and Performance: two years of participation in a large performance group such as orchestra, choir, or wind ensemble;
• For Music Education: three years of participation in a large performance group such as orchestra, choir, or wind ensemble.
Exemptions/substitutions for lower division requirements will be determined by the department in the summer following admission. Syllabi or other descriptive course documentation may be required for consideration.

WORLD ARTS AND CULTURES
The Department of World Arts and Cultures/Dance is at the forefront of innovative, interdisciplinary, and cross-cultural studies of the arts, offering a curriculum in which students can explore the vital relationship of the arts and performance to cultural theory and criticism. The World Arts and Cultures major highlights culture and representation as key perspectives for understanding creativity in local and global arenas. Three areas of cross-cultural and interdisciplinary study are available: arts activism, critical ethnographies, and visual cultures. These areas define the department commitment to a range of practices, including ethnography, activism, visual and related expressive arts, documentary and short films, museum and curatorial studies, performance, and other creative perspectives and methods. Courses combine theory and practice and are grounded in culturally diverse artistic expressions.

PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR: All preparatory coursework should be completed at UCLA. Substitutions for lower division requirements will be determined by the department in the summer following admission. Syllabi or other descriptive course documentation may be required for consideration.

SUPPLEMENTAL REQUIREMENTS: Successful applicants must have strong academic preparation and show evidence of involvement in the arts and community that demonstrates interests in varied cultures. In addition to the general UC Application, applicants are required to submit a supplemental application and letters of recommendation by digital upload. Additional fees may apply. Specific guidelines may be found at: www.arts.ucla.edu/prospective-students.
Major Requirements for the School of Nursing

Applicants must complete the following course requirements for the Prelicensure Nursing program with grades of C or better:

**Required:**
- One year of general biology for the major (cellular and molecular)
- One year of general chemistry for the major
- One semester of organic chemistry for the major
- Human anatomy with lab
- Human physiology with lab

**Strongly recommended:**
- Introductory or general microbiology
- Introductory psychology
- Introduction to communication studies or speech
- One course in calculus for life science or with analytic geometry
SCHOOL OF THEATER, FILM AND TELEVISION

www.tft.ucla.edu

The School of Theater, Film and Television offers undergraduate majors in Theater and in Film and Television. Both majors provide a comprehensive introduction to the history, theory, and practice of these art forms within the context of a liberal arts education.

Undergraduates in Theater study the history of world and American theater and drama, contemporary theater issues, acting and performance, play reading and analysis, design, directing, theater production, and complete a sequence of advanced courses in a specialization along with a senior project. Undergraduates in Film & Television study the history of film and television; screenwriting; film and television production, including cinematography, editing, directing the camera, and digital media and tools; and complete a senior concentration in one area of specialization and a professional internship.

Applicants to the school must have a minimum 3.2 GPA at the time of application and by the time of entrance must have attained junior standing (60 semester/90 quarter units) and have completed their general education coursework—either the school’s GE requirements, the IGETC at a California community college, or the GE requirements while a student at another UC campus. Completion of the School of Theater, Film and Television’s literature and foreign language requirements before arriving at UCLA is strongly encouraged but not required. In addition to the UC Application, applicants are required to submit supplemental application materials.

FILM AND TELEVISION

A personal essay, critical essay, creative writing sample, and two letters of recommendation are required for admission. Films and videotapes are not accepted. Prior experience is not required. Note: Transfer students cannot change to the Film and Television major after they transfer to UCLA. Additional information may be found at www.tft.ucla.edu/filmba.

Recommended course prior to entrance:
• One theater course

THEATER

Applicants interested in the Theater major must choose one of the following elective sequences on the UC Application: Acting, Design/Production, Directing, General Theater Studies, Musical Theater, or Playwriting. In addition to the general UC Application, a departmental questionnaire, personal statement, copies of transcripts, a resume of theater training, and an in-person interview are required for admission. Acting and Musical Theater applicants are required to interview and audition. Note: Transfer students cannot change to the Theater major after they transfer to UCLA. Additional information may be found at www.tft.ucla.edu/theaterba.

Recommended courses prior to entrance:
• Acting
• Design
• Play analysis
• Theater history

OTHER UCLA PROGRAMS *

SUMMER SESSIONS

Take advantage of UCLA Summer Sessions, as many of the major preparatory courses are offered during summer. Enrollment is open to non-UCLA students. For more information, please visit www.summer.ucla.edu.

ROTC

UCLA offers ROTC programs in Aerospace Studies, Military Science, and Naval Studies leading to commissioning in the U.S. Military upon completion of a bachelor’s degree program. For recommended coursework that you should complete prior to transfer, please contact the program directly:

Air Force
www.afrotc.ucla.edu

Army
www.milsci.ucla.edu

Navy
www.navy.ucla.edu

* Note: Participation in the above programs does not impact your chances of being admitted to UCLA.
MINORS

UCLA offers a wide variety of minors, to which interested students may apply after entrance to the University. For more information on our minors, please consult the UCLA General Catalog. (Note: all transfer applicants are reviewed and selected on the basis of their declared UCLA major. Interest/preparation towards a minor is not a criterion for admission selection.)

ACCOUNTING
AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES
AFRICAN AND MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES
AFRICAN STUDIES
AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES
ANCIENT NEAR EAST AND EGYPTOLOGY
ANTHROPOLOGY
APPLIED DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY
ARABIC AND ISLAMIC STUDIES
ARMENIAN STUDIES
ART HISTORY
ASIAN AMERICAN STUDIES
ASIAN HUMANITIES
ASIAN LANGUAGES
ATMOSPHERIC AND OCEANIC SCIENCES
BIOINFORMATICS
BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH
CENTRAL AND EAST EUROPEAN STUDIES
CHICANA AND CHICANO STUDIES
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CLASSICAL CIVILIZATION
COGNITIVE SCIENCE
COMPARATIVE LITERATURE
CONSERVATION BIOLOGY
DIGITAL HUMANITIES
DISABILITY STUDIES
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ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS AND SOCIETY
EUROPEAN STUDIES
EVOLUTIONARY MEDICINE
FILM, TELEVISION, AND DIGITAL MEDIA
FRENCH
GENDER STUDIES
GEOCHEMISTRY
GEOGRAPHY
GEOGRAPHY/ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES
GEOLOGY
GEOPHYSICS AND PLANETARY PHYSICS
GEOSPATIAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGIES
GERMAN
GERMANIC LANGUAGES
GERONTOLOGY
GLOBAL HEALTH
GLOBAL STUDIES
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HEBREW AND JEWISH STUDIES
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ISRAEL STUDIES
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MUSIC HISTORY
MUSIC INDUSTRY
NEUROSCIENCE
PHILOSOPHY
PORTUGUESE
PUBLIC AFFAIRS
PUBLIC HEALTH
RUSSIAN LANGUAGE
RUSSIAN LITERATURE
RUSSIAN STUDIES
SCANDINAVIAN
SCIENCE EDUCATION
SOCIAL THOUGHT
SOCIETY AND GENETICS
SOUTH ASIAN STUDIES
SOUTHEAST ASIAN STUDIES
SPANISH
SPANISH LINGUISTICS
STATISTICS
STRUCTURAL BIOLOGY
STUDY OF RELIGION
SYSTEMS BIOLOGY
TEACHING SECONDARY MATHEMATICS
THEATER
URBAN AND REGIONAL STUDIES
VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS EDUCATION
Important links

Please refer to admission.ucla.edu/transfer for the most updated transfer admission information, including statistical information.

Alumni Scholarships
www.alumni.ucla.edu

Campus Tours
www.admission.ucla.edu/tours

UCLA Catalog
catalog.registrar.ucla.edu

Center for Community College Partnership (CCCP)
www.cccp.ucla.edu

Community College Transfer Recruitment Program (CCTR)
www.admission.ucla.edu/cctr

Dashew Center for International Students and Scholars
www.internationalcenter.ucla.edu

UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships
www.financialaid.ucla.edu

Honors Programs (TAP)
www.ugeducation.ucla.edu/tap

Housing
housing.ucla.edu

Office for Students with Disabilities
www.osd.ucla.edu

Prep Talk (live and archived virtual Admission events)
preptalk.tv

Registrar’s Office—Residence Deputy
(CA residency info)
www.registrar.ucla.edu/faq/residencefaq.htm

Scholarship Resource Center
www.scholarshipcenter.ucla.edu

Student Transfer Outreach & Mentor Program (STOMP)
www.admission.ucla.edu/stomp

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APPLYING TO UCLA

In your application—including your personal statement—we are looking for evidence of your intellectual curiosity and your interest in personal development. UCLA is a dynamic and exciting place due largely to our creative, ambitious, and diverse student body. We anticipate that the applicants we admit will contribute to the intellectual vitality, cultural life, and diversity of UCLA.

When to Apply
Applications are accepted in November of the year prior to enrollment. The deadline to submit the University of California Application for Undergraduate Admission and Scholarships (UC Application) for Fall Quarter 2016 is November 30, 2015.

Where to Apply
The UC Application can be found at www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply.

Personal Statement
The UC Application asks you to respond to two questions:
1. What is your intended major? Discuss how your interest in the subject developed and describe any experience you have had in the field—such as volunteer work, internships and employment, participation in student organizations and activities—and what you have gained from your involvement.
2. Tell us about a personal quality, talent, accomplishment, contribution, or experience that is important to you. What about this quality or accomplishment makes you proud and how does it reflect who you are?

You will respond to both questions, using a maximum of 1,000 words total. You may divide the word count as you wish, but each response must be at least 250 words. You may answer one question in 250 words and the other in 750, for example, or respond to both with 500 words each.

THE PERSONAL STATEMENT...
• Offers us an understanding of you as a unique individual within the context of your family, school, community, and the world.

• Adds clarity, richness, and meaning to the information presented in other parts of your application.
• Is a forum for you to explain how factors outside of your school environment have enhanced or impeded your ability to maximize available academic and intellectual opportunities.
• Clarifies the distinctions between applicants whose academic records appear to be quite similar.
• Provides information that may not be evident in other parts of your application.

The most compelling personal statements can include discussion of...
• Your initiative, motivation, leadership, persistence, service to others, special talents and/or skills.
• Any unusual circumstances, challenges, or hardships you have faced and the ways in which you have overcome or responded to them.

Special Instructions for Veterans
The University is interested in knowing about your military service. Therefore, you may wish to use the personal statement to describe how your military service has been instrumental in developing your educational plans.