California Systems of Higher Education

- California Community Colleges (CCC)
- California State University (CSU)
- University of California (UC)
- Private and Independent Colleges
California Community Colleges

- Programs/Curriculum
  - Career Jobs
  - Entry Majors
  - Transfer Classes
  - Degrees
    - Associate of Arts/Science
    - Vocational Certificates
- Locations
  - Santa Ana College
  - Long Beach City College

- Costs / Fees
  - $46 / unit
  - $2,200 - $2,800 / year

- Requirements
  - No Subject Requirements
  - 18 years of age, or
  - High school diploma, or
  - High school equivalency (GED)
Independent Colleges and Universities

- **2 Year and 4 Year Programs**
  - Various majors
  - Various academic programs
- **Degrees**
  - Associates
  - Bachelors of Arts / Science
  - Masters
  - Doctorates
  - Professional
- **Locations**
  - USC, Pepperdine, Stanford
  - Everest, University of Phoenix, FIDM, DeVry
- **Costs / Fees**
  - ~ $5,000 - $52,000 / year (includes room and board)
  - USC-$52,000 / yr
  - Chapman-$43,000 / yr
- **Requirements**
  - A-G requirements (check the individual school requirements)
  - SAT Reasoning Test or ACT (some schools may require SAT Subject Tests)
  - May require letters of recommendation.
California State University

- 4 Year Programs
  - Various Majors
  - Pre-Professional Training
  - Degrees
    - Bachelors of Arts / Science
    - Masters
    - Teaching & other credentials

- Costs / Fees
  - ~ $19,460 / year (includes room and board)
    - Tuition ~ $8131 / yr

- Requirements
  - A-G requirements
  - 2.0 Minimum GPA
  - SAT Reasoning Test or ACT

- Academic Calendar
  - 17 on semester system
  - 6 on quarter system
University of California

- **9 campuses** that offer a broad range of four-year programs
- **Admits top 12.5% of California high school students**
- Guaranteed on-campus housing in residence halls for freshmen
- **Possible to transfer as a junior after completing transferable CCC work**
University of California

- 4 Year Programs
  - Various majors
  - Pre-Professional training
  - Degrees
    - Bachelors of Arts / Science
    - Masters
    - Doctorates
    - Professional

- Academic Calendar
  - 7 on quarter system
  - 2 on semester system (Berkeley and Merced)

- Costs / Fees
  - ~ $29,400 / year (includes room and board)
  - Tuition ~ $14,065/yr
UC Requirements

Academic
- A-G Requirements
- GPA - 3.0+
- SAT Reasoning Test or ACT plus Writing
- AP & Honors Courses

Supplemental
- Personal Statement
- Extracurricular Activities
- Honors and Awards
- Proof of Leadership
What’s the difference between an Applicant and a Competitive Applicant?

Minimally Eligible Applicant

- 2 years of History / Social Science
- 4 years of English
- 3 years Math (minimum Algebra 2)
- 2 years of Laboratory Science
- 2 years of a Foreign Language
- 1 year of Visual / Performing Arts
- 1 year of College Prep Elective

Competitively Eligible Applicant

- 3 years of History / Social Science
- 4 years of English (AP / Honors)
- 4 years Math (minimum Algebra 2)
- 3 years of Laboratory Science
- 3-4 years of a Foreign Language
- 1 year of Visual / Performing Arts
- 1 year of College Prep Elective
UC Approved Course List:
https://doorways.ucop.edu/list

Course List for 2003-04
The following courses meet requirements for admission to the University of California.

Underlined courses denote extra honors credit (★): a=5, b=4, c=3.
Courses that are marked with an asterisk (*) and a blue diamond (♦) can not be used as an elective.


a-History / Social Science - 2 years required
Two years of history/social science, including one year of World History, Cultures or Geography; and one year of US History or one-half year of US History and one-half year of American Government/Civics

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ACT vs. SAT

**ACT Plus Writing**
- **Test Fee:** $50.50
- **Test Purpose:** Achievement
- **Test Content:** Math, English, Writing, & Science Reasoning
- **Method of Scoring:** NUMBER OF RIGHT ANSWERS & NO PENALTY FOR WRONG ANSWERS

**SAT Reasoning**
- **Test Fee:** $50.00
- **Test Purpose:** Aptitude
- **Test Content:** Critical Reading, Writing, & Math Reasoning
- **Method of Scoring:** SCORE ADJUSTED FOR GUESSING & PENALTY FOR WRONG ANSWERS
Get Involved!!!

- Tutoring
- Summer Plans???
- YMCA/Boys & Girls Club
- Coaching/refereeing
- City or County agencies
  - Ex: Irvine Parks & Recreation
- Hospitals and convalescent homes
- Sports
- Demonstrate Leadership
Howe Elementary  
Years: 10th 11th  
Hrs/Wk: 5  
Wks/Yr: 10  
Provided tutorial assistance to at-risk elementary school population and volunteered at a Russian School, teaching Russian.

North Area Teen Center  
Years: 11th 12th  
Hrs/Wk: 5  
Wks/Yr: 14  
Internship; organized Heart of A Hero; helped with a Golf Tournament and a Band Concert to keep the center open keeping teen's away from drugs and bad influences.

Lilliput  
Years: 12th  
Hrs/Wk: 5  
Wks/Yr: 6  
Interned for an orphanage organization for a short time. Implemented an organization system for their files.

St. George Pathfinders  
Years: 9th 10th 11th 12th  
Hrs/Wk: 20  
Wks/Yr: 6  
Assist with implementation of landscape and organizing plans for upcoming years; Have been a Russian Eagle Scout for 8 years - Second Degree status.

Key Club  
Years: 10th 11th 12th  
Hrs/Wk: 5  
Wks/Yr: 35  
Walk for Life; Key Club Convention (Long Beach); volunteered for several marathons; WEAVE; Just For Kids (helping children whose parents have cancer); UNICEF; etc.
And shameless plug...UC Irvine!

- Easy accessibility to stellar faculty
- Excellent professional schools in the fields of medicine, law, business, education, and the arts
- FORBES #1 University in America under 50 years old
- The 2011 Safest City
- #1 in Student housing
- 2012 Men’s Volleyball Champs
- Exciting campus events throughout the year
Lastly - GREAT Final Tidbits

- Have work, college courses, community service or activities over the summer!
- A UC, IS A UC, IS A UC... APPLY BROADLY FROM UCLA TO UC MERCED!!!!
- A ‘D’ grade is a non-passing grade to Colleges
- Don’t stop your math at Algebra 2!!!
- Please pick the major you truly love when applying!!!
- No one component in the application is more important than the other – so be a well-rounded applicant when applying!
Any Questions?

Thank You All for Attending!