UC APPLICATION WORKSHOP

WHAT WE WILL COVER…

- General information

- Eligibility

- How applications are reviewed

- How to complete the application

- What to do after submitting your application

GENERAL INFORMATION

- [UC Transfer Admissions Information](#)

- Priority application period for transfer:
  - Fall: November 1-30
  - You may begin working on your application at any time by using the Transfer Admission Planner

APPLICATION TIMELINE

Date/Deadline	Task
August 1	UC Application Opens
November 1-30	Submit UC Application Online
Late January	Update Fall Term Grades and Course Schedule
March - April	Notification of Admission
June 1	Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) Deadline
Mid-June to Early July	Waitlist Admission Notification

APPLY BROADLY

- Apply *broadly* to increase your chances of admission! (Note: $70 per campus application fee)
  - If you qualify for the application fee waiver, you can apply to up to 4 UC campuses for free

- Don't get stuck with no where to transfer next year!
  - Apply to a top tier school
  - A school where you have a 50/50 chance
  - A "back-up" school
  - Consider CSU, private, and out-of-state schools
  - Apply to 3-5 campuses minimum
  - Check the data: UC Transfer Application Data

IF YOU FILLED OUT A TAG APPLICATION…

- You MUST fill out a UC application whether or not you filed a TAG application

- The *university* and *major* that you selected in your TAG application <u>must</u> match the information you provide in your UC application – if not, your TAG will be voided

- UCD and UCSC TAG applicants will have their TAG application reviewed by a Counselor

MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY FOR FALL 2018 TRANSFER

- Minimum eligibility:
  1. Complete 60 semester units of transferable college credit **with a GPA of at least 2.4 (2.8 for International Students)**
  2. Complete the following course pattern requirements, **earning a grade of C or better in each course**:
  - Two transferable college courses in English composition
  - One transferable college course in mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning;
  - Four transferable college courses chosen from at least two of the following subject areas:
    - arts and humanities
    - social and behavioral sciences
    - physical and biological sciences

- *Each course must be worth at least 3 semester units.*

- *All requirements MUST be complete by Spring 2018*

TO BE COMPETITIVE:

Many UC campuses require far more than the minimum. To be a competitive applicant:

- Meet with a counselor regularly to come up with a strategy

- Complete lower division major preparation (varies for each campus and major – Assist.org)

- Complete General Education (IGETC or campus/major specific)

- Maintain a high GPA

WHAT IS UC LOOKING FOR? (SELECTION CRITERIA)

- Since UC can't admit or interview *all* applicants, they need a way to get to know you better to help them make a decision.

- All campuses do a "Comprehensive Review"
  - Strong grades, major preparation, and general education
  - Involvement, leadership, passion
  - Evidence of hard work, challenging oneself
  - Accomplishments within your life experiences
  - Special talents, achievements, awards
  - Improvement in academic performance
  - Assesses the student within context – student's job to explain that context in the application
  - All schools use the personal insight questions and other information when determining eligibility for scholarships

GETTING STARTED – GATHER MATERIALS

- Have the following ready:
  - Transcripts (from **_every_** college and university ever attended)
  - Test scores (AP, IB, TOEFL, whatever applies)
  - Annual Income (optional)
  - Social Security Number of ITIN (if you have one)
  - Citizenship Status (for undocumented students, choose "No Selection")
  - Credit Card
   - If you are eligible for the fee waiver, this is not needed

THE APPLICATION

- Apply online: www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply

- Create an account
  - If you filed a TAG application, you will need to create a different account for the UC application, but can use your same username and password
  - To import your academic history from the Transfer Admission Planner, you must use the same email address for the UC application

- You can save your work and return to it

- For more help: UC Application Help Guide

NAVIGATING THE APPLICATION
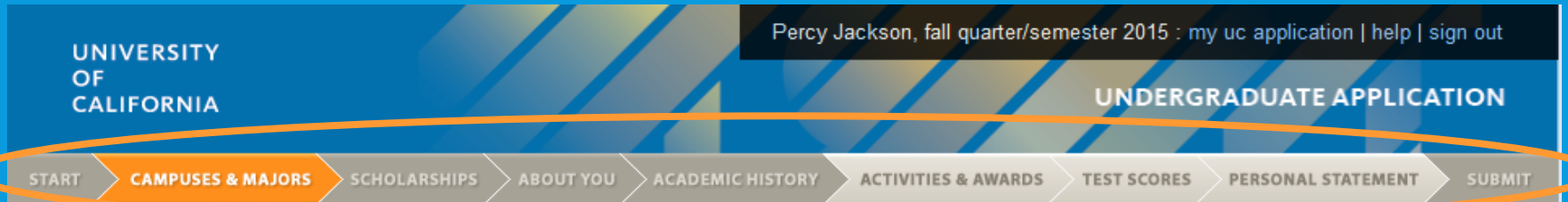
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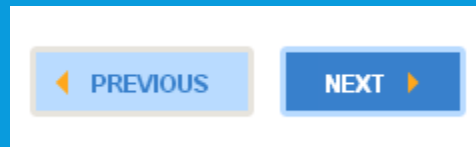
STARTING THE APPLICATION

- Be sure to apply for Fall 2019 term

- Indicate that you are applying as a Transfer Student

- Citizenship questions:
  - You must select a country of citizenship or "No Selection" for undocumented students
  - All students who have a social security number, or ITIN must enter it
    - Undocumented students may choose "No Selection" for country of citizenship and leave the social security number blank

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

- Family size and income is used to determine eligibility for the application fee waiver and to provide more information about the student as a person
  - Ensure information about income and family size is correct prior to applying for the fee waiver at the end of the application. You can apply for the fee waiver only once.
  - None of this information will be used to determine residency or financial aid

THE APPLICATION – ACADEMIC HISTORY SECTION

- Academic history **_MUST_** be accurately reported
  - **_Must_** include every college and university ever attended and every class taken, even if it is not transferable
  - Enter your course history **_exactly_** as it appears on your transcripts. Failing to do so will appear to be falsification and may result in cancelation of your application.
  - Courses that are not transferable or were taken at a school that is not a California Community College will need to be entered manually

- Use the "Additional Comments" box in the Academic History section to provide detailed information or explanations about specific academic issues (declining grades, class availability issues, etc.)

- Examination scores: Record AP/IB exams

THE APPLICATION – ACADEMIC HISTORY SECTION

- If coursework entered indicates you will meet the minimum English (2 courses) and math requirements, you will not see this screen.

- If you do see this screen, you must indicate how you will complete those requirements. OR, review your academic history section and make any necessary corrections

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Other Academic History - Transferable Courses

College/University English Composition

Prior to transfer, will you complete two transferable college courses in English composition (not including English as a second language courses)?

○ Already completed with a grade of C or better
○ In progress
○ Planned
○ None planned/not completed

College/University Mathematics

Prior to transfer, will you complete one transferable college course in Mathematical concepts and qualitative reasoning?

○ Already completed with a grade of C or better
○ In progress
○ Planned
○ None planned/not completed

THE APPLICATION – ACADEMIC HISTORY SECTION

- If you completed your Transfer Admission Planner you can import your course information saving you time

UC Transfer Admissions Planner

If you have entered your school and coursework information in the UC Transfer Admissions Planner (TAP) and indicated you plan to apply to UC for Fall Quarter/Semester 2015, your information may be available for import into your UC application.

Please enter the login ID and e-mail address used for your TAP account and click on "Copy from UC TAP" to copy your information. This will delete all previously entered academic history information.

TAP Login ID:

E-Mail Address:

☐ My UC TAP email address is the same as my applyUC email address.

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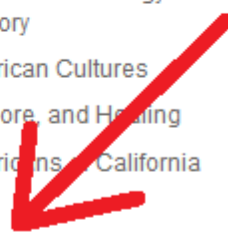
I DON'T SEE MY CLASS LISTED – DO I NEED TO ENTER IT?

- You are required to <u>enter every single course</u> you have ever taken at a college or university. The academic history section needs to look identical to your transcripts

- If your course is not listed in the drop down menu, that means it is either not UC transferable, or, it is not formally articulated with the UC system
  - But you still have to enter that course!

- Manually enter the course by clicking "My Crouse is not listed here – add it"

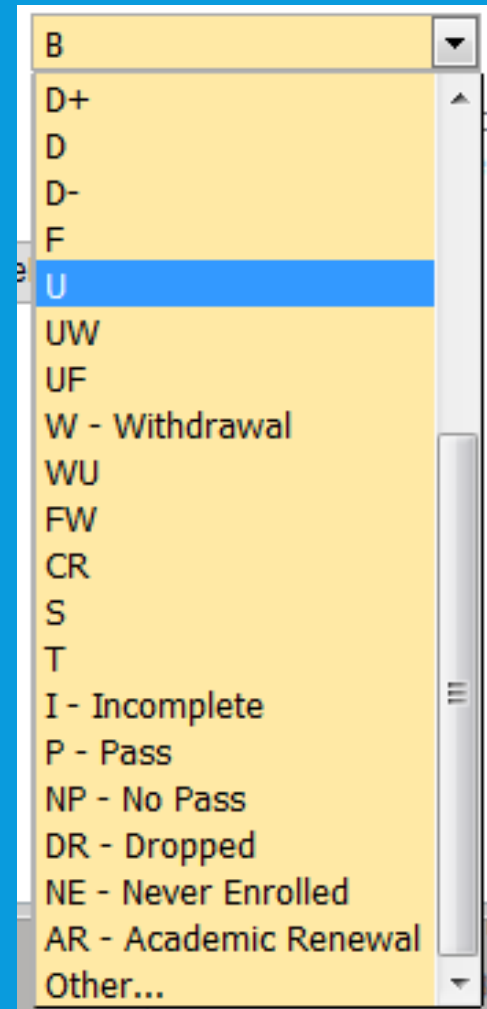| SUBJ	CRS#	UTS	CERT[1]	UC AREA[2]	COURSE TITLE
ANTH	101	3	Y	S	Introduction to Physical/Biological Anthropology
ANTH	101L	1	Y		Physical/Biological Anthropology Laboratory
ANTH	102	3	Y	B	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
ANTH	103	3	Y	B	Globalization and Peoples and Cultures of the World
ANTH	104	3	Y	B	Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology
ANTH	110	3	Y	B	Introduction to Archaeology and Prehistory
ANTH	204	3	Y	B	Native American Cultures
ANTH	208	3	Y	B	Magic, Folklore, and Healing
ANTH	215	3	Y	B	Native Americans, California

My Course is not listed here - add it

Please be sure you have done a thorough search before adding!

UC GRADING SYSTEM

- As much as possible, choose grades that are identical to those on your transcript

- If you have repeated a course, enter in the grades earned at each attempt. The application will recognize it is a repeated course and will not calculate the first grade into your GPA

- If you have filed for Academic Renewal, report those grades as "AR"
  - UC considers academic renewal to be a very good idea for students who have a viable reason for using it.
  - **UC expects the student to explain why academic renewal was needed and how the student overcame the difficulties that led to it in the "Additional Comments" section**

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I - Incomplete
P - Pass
NP - No Pass
DR - Dropped
NE - Never Enrolled
AR - Academic Renewal
Other…

GAPS IN EDUCATION

- You will be prompted to explain any gap (one semester or more) in educational history

- You must be honest!

- Common reasons include:
  - Needed to work
  - Needed to care for family

- UC's reason for asking: To make sure applicants do not hide failing grades from another institution

GAPS IN EDUCATION

- What if you did not have a gap, but are being prompted to explain a gap in educational history?
  - You likely misreported a semester. Review the dates you entered for high school and college to ensure they are all correct.
  - Make sure you indicated you will attend Monterey Peninsula College (or another school) until May/June 2019. Include in progress courses for Fall 2018 and planned courses for Spring 2019.

COURSES NOT TAKEN AT A CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

- For any course(s) not taken at a California Community College, make sure you have met with a Counselor to discuss how likely the courses will be accepted by a UC
  - Do what you can to make sure you will meet the minimum eligibility criteria for the UC system.

- Regardless of whether or not you think a UC campus will accept the course for credit, you MUST include it on your UC application

THE APPLICATION – ACTIVITIES / AWARDS

- Record activities and awards after high school.
  - Unless they are activities that you continued participating in after high school and through junior college.

- Do not abbreviate club names or awards. Spell them out and explain your level of involvement.

- Do not list the same activity in multiple areas.

- Be sure to record the most important awards and activities.

- If you do not have many awards or activities due to other obligations (work, family, etc.) explain this in your personal statement.

- Use a worksheet to prepare: http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/files/apply-online-transfer.pdf

THE APPLICATION – ACTIVITIES / AWARDS

- There are five categories with five entries each:
  - Educational Preparation Programs (like Trio, EOPS, etc.)
  - Community Service (more consideration given to consistent service over time)
  - Work Experience (if you have it, include it! Shows time management and responsibility)
  - Awards & Honors (provide context if not a well known prize)
  - Extra Curricular Activities (more consideration given to consistent participation over time)

- Choose up to five of your most meaningful experiences for each category.

THE APPLICATION

- **Honesty is the best policy!!**

- Do not falsify any information on your application. The UC system does verify the information you put on your application. If you are unable to provide proof of something you reported, your application may be canceled.

SCHOLARSHIPS

- You may select up to 16 scholarship that match your interests, characteristics, and background.
  - Use all 16!!

- Be sure to follow up in December and research additional scholarship opportunities with the campuses you applied to

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

You are ready to begin submitting your application when all circles are solid

This is NOT the end of your application. You must begin the submission *process* and receive a confirmation

Review & Submit STEP 1 OF 7

Application Summary

🖨 View Application

Expand All | Collapse All

⊞ **My Account** Edit	COMPLETED	🟢
⊞ **Start Your Application**	COMPLETED	🟢
⊞ **Campuses & Majors**	COMPLETED	🟢
⊞ **Scholarships**	COMPLETED	🟢
⊞ **About You**	COMPLETED	🟢
⊞ **Academic History**	COMPLETED	🟢
⊞ **Activities & Awards**	COMPLETED	🟢
⊞ **Test Scores**	IN PROGRESS	🔘
⊞ **Personal Statement**	COMPLETED	🟢

START SUBMISSION PROCESS ▶

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION – MAKE SURE YOU GET CONFIRMATION!

Review & Submit STEP 7 OF 7

Application Submission

You're not finished yet! Submit your application to receive your UC Application ID and receipt. You will receive an e-mail shortly after you submit noting that your application was received.

SUBMIT APPLICATION FOR UC ADMISSION

This is the confirmation page proving you have successfully submitted your application. ***PRINT*** for your records and be sure to check your email for an additional confirmation

Congratulations! You have submitted your application to the University of California.

Receipt

University of California Fall Quarter/Semester 2015 Application

Thank you, Percy Jackson

Your application for undergraduate admission and scholarships for Fall Quarter/Semester 2015 has been received. An e-mail confirmation will be sent to ucinfo@apply2UCsupport.net shortly.

PLEASE **PRINT THIS RECEIPT** AND KEEP IT FOR YOUR RECORDS.

Payment Information
Application ID: 2902009
Date: 07/18/2014
Payment Method: Mail

AFTER SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION…

- Check your email regularly! This is how the campuses will communicate with you.

- Important Dates and Deadlines: http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/dates-deadlines/index.html

- You will receive an e-mail confirming the application has been successfully filed

- The UC will send you an e-mail to notify you when the Application Update (AU) is available in early January
  - Submit AU to report fall grades and spring schedule by January 31
  - Berkeley has a separate supplemental application, also due in January

AFTER SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION…

- *If you add or drop a course, fail to earn a C or better in a course or enroll in a new college after you submit your application, log back in and update your information online ([After you apply | UC Admissions](#)) – available until March 31st…after that, contact UC admissions for each campus you applied to)*

- In early to mid-January, each campus will email you to create a login username and password for access to the campus's applicant portal. This is where your admissions decision will be posted along with other important information – check each one regularly!

- Await the decision. Each UC campus will notify you of its admission decision around **April** as a transfer student

- You have until June 1st to accept admission and pay your enrollment deposit

- Send your official transcripts, when requested by the UC – due July 1st

- Send your official test scores (AP included) by July 15th

ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE

- UC Assistance:
  - Technical Help - (800) 914-8820
    - ucpath@ucapplication.net
  - Application Help - (800) 523-2048
    - ucinfo@ucapplication.net

- MPC Help:
  - Career and Transfer Center – (831) 645-1336
  - Counseling Office – (831) 646-4020

GOOD LUCK!