UC TAG
Transfer Admission Guarantee

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE
Transfer Center
Objectives

• What is TAG?

• Which UC campuses participate?

• TAG criteria

• How to apply for TAG

• Review of Transfer Admission Planner (TAP)
What is TAG?

• **TAG** = Transfer Admission Guarantee for CA community college students

• **By participating in TAG, students will receive:**
  • Early review of academic records for UC Davis and UC Merced
  • Early admission notification from early review campuses released by November 15
  • Specific guidance about major preparation and GE coursework
Which Campuses Participate?

- UC Davis
- UC Irvine
- UC Merced
- UC Riverside
- UC Santa Barbara
- UC Santa Cruz

• Students may only apply for TAG at **ONE** UC campus
• To keep options open, students should apply to other UC campuses during the regular application cycle (November 1st-30th)
Who Can Apply for TAG?

**CAN Apply**
- California Community College students (including international students with a visa)
- CCC transfer student = completed 30 semester units at one or more CCC’s & last attendance was regular session at CCC

**CANNOT Apply**
- Bachelor’s degree, graduate degree, and/or professional degree
- Students who have previously enrolled at a UC campus during a regular term (not including summer session)
  
  **NOTE**: CAN TAG as long as to a different Campus (e.g. former UCI student cannot TAG at UCI, but can TAG at UCSB)
- Dual high school/community college students
Tag Criteria

- Minimum Admission Requirements
- Unit Requirement for TAG
- GPA Requirement for TAG
- English and Math Requirement for TAG
- Limitations for TAG-see a counselor
- UC Planner
- Apply to UC Nov. 1-30
Minimum Admission Criteria

To be considered for UC admission as a Junior, you must fulfill the following requirements:

- Complete 60 semester (90 quarter) units of transferable college credit
- Cumulative GPA of at least 2.4
  - GPA of 2.8 if you're a nonresident
- **7 Course GE-Pattern:**
  - 2 courses (3 semester or 4-5 quarter units each) in English composition
  - 1 course (3 semester or 4-5 quarter units) in mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning
  - 4 courses (3 semester or 4-5 quarter units each) chosen from at least 2 of the following subject areas:
    - Arts and Humanities
    - Social and Behavioral Sciences
    - Physical and Biological Sciences
  - Major preparation courses

**At least 60 Transferable Units must be completed by the end of Spring semester for FALL TRANSFER**
TAG Unit Requirement

- **To Submit a TAG Application** – Completion of 30 UC transferable units by the September filing period for all UC’s

- **To Fulfill TAG** – Completion of 60 transferable units by the end of Spring of the year the student is planning to transfer
How to Pursue TAG

1. Fill out the Transfer Admission Planner (TAP)
2. Complete the online TAG Application via TAP
   • (September 1st–30th)
3. Review with academic/admissions counselor
4. Fulfill all remaining coursework and GPA requirements in your TAG agreement
5. Submit Application for Admission to UC during the appropriate filing period (November 1st–30th)
Transfer Admission Planner (TAP)

Online tool to help prospective UC transfer students track and plan their coursework.

Benefits:
• UC outreach connections and updates
• Transfer Prep Program advising
• Peer mentoring
• Will use to apply for TAG
• Import academic information to the UC application

https://uctap.universityofcalifornia.edu/students/
Transfer Admission Planner (TAP)
# Transfer Admission Planner (TAP)

**Anne's Transfer Admission Planner**

- About me
  - Personal information
  - Demographic information
  - Support program involvement
  - Account settings
- My academic history
  - Schools attended
    - Coursework
  - Exams
- My transfer plan
  - Where and when I plan to transfer
  - Apply for a Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)
  - Apply for transfer admission
- Messages
- Record Review

- Broken up in TABS
- You can skip or save and come back
- You can update your application anytime until it is time to submit
Transfer Admission Planner (TAP)

- **My Information** – Personal, Demographics, Schools Attended, UC Campuses Applying To, Support Programs

- **My Messages** – Receive updates from CC Counselor or UC Admissions

- **My Coursework** – Enter courses, grades, units completed
  - *Transferable Courses* – Listed automatically from ASSIST
  - *Non-Transferable* – Enter manually as shown on transcript
    - Report gaps in education, deficient grades, & repeated courses

- **My Exams** – Enter AP or IB exams for college credit
Transfer Admission Planner (TAP)

- **Review:**
  - Checks for UC minimum eligibility
  - GPA and transferable units are preliminary
**Apply for a Transfer Admission Guarantee**

Six UC campuses offer guaranteed admission to California community college students who meet specific requirements. By participating in a Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) program, you may receive early review of your academic records, early admission notification and/or specific guidance about major preparation and general education coursework.

The [TAG matrix (PDF)](#) contains campus-specific information for all six UC TAG campuses. Use the campus TAG website links below to review the TAG requirements for the campus you are interested in. If you have questions or are unsure about your ability to meet these criteria, consult with your community college counselor.

**TAG term & campus choice**

If you are interested in applying for a TAG, please review the TAG criteria for each campus below. You will need to agree to each item during the TAG submission process. Select the UC TAG campus and major to which you are seeking a guarantee. Your TAG application is limited to a single UC TAG campus. To begin the TAG filing process, look for the [Start TAG Submission](#) button at the bottom of the page if the filing period is open.

- **Your current California Community College:** SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE
- **Indicate the term and year you plan to transfer:** Fall 2021
- **UC TAG campus to which you plan to apply:** Select campus

**TAG Application:**
- Must submit a TAG Application
- Must complete UC admission application to be valid

**Criteria:**
- ONE TAG
- ONE UC Campus
- ONE Major
- Apply to other UC campuses via regular admission
UC TAG Timeline

- TAGs accepted for Fall Quarters Only
- UC Merced will accept Fall & Spring
UC TAG Majors

**UC Davis** - Major guaranteed, some majors are excluded from TAG

**UC Irvine** - Major guaranteed, some majors are excluded from TAG

**UC Merced** - Major guaranteed, some majors are excluded from TAG

**UC Riverside** - Major guaranteed, some majors are excluded from TAG

**UC Santa Barbara** - Some majors guaranteed, some majors excluded from TAG

**UC Santa Cruz** - Some majors guaranteed, no excluded majors from TAG
UC TAG Excluded Majors

**UC Davis** – Undeclared, Landscape Architecture

**UC Irvine** – Business Administration, Cognitive Sciences, Dance, Language Science, Music, Nursing Science, all majors Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences

**UC Merced** - Global Arts and Studies, Public Health

**UC Riverside** – For Fall Art (Studio); for Winter Art Studio and other majors may be subject to change

**UC Santa Barbara** - All majors in the College of Creative Studies, All majors in the College of Engineering, Dance (BA), Dance (BFA), Music (BM), Theater B.F.A. in the College of Letters & Science

**UC Santa Cruz** - No excluded majors from TAG
**UC TAG Matrix**

### UC Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) for Students Applying for 2021-2022 Admission

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| Davis  | No                                                  | Accepted for Fall quarter only:  | Yes, provided all TAG requirements are completed. | Undergraduate programs and Landscape Architecture applicants are approved in a "pre-major" status (no guarantee to the major). | [http://Davis.ucdavis.edu](http://Davis.ucdavis.edu)  
  (530) 752-2871 |
| Irvine | No                                                  | Accepted for Fall quarter only:  | Yes, provided all TAG requirements are completed. | Business Administration, Computer Sciences, Business, Language Science, Music, Nursing, Education and ENS majors in the Donald Keene School of Information and Computer Sciences. | [http://Irvine.ucr.edu/tag](http://Irvine.ucr.edu/tag)  
  (909) 824-4151 |
| Merced | Yes                                                 | Accepted for Fall:  
  Sept. 1-30  
  Accepted for Spring:  
  Feb. 15-25 | Yes, provided all TAG requirements are completed. | Visual Arts Studies Program and Public Health.  
  Subject to change. | [http://Merced.ucmerced.edu/tag](http://Merced.ucmerced.edu/tag)  
  (209) 453-1290  
  transfer@ucmerced.edu |
| Riverside | No | Accepted for Fall:  
  Sept. 1-30  
  Accepted for Winter:  
  Feb. 15-25 | Yes, provided all TAG requirements are completed. | For Fine Art Studies,  
  Visual Arts Studies, and  
  other minors may be subject to change | [http://Riverside.cc.ucr.edu/transfer](http://Riverside.cc.ucr.edu/transfer)  
  finearts@cc.ucr.edu |
| Santa Barbara | No | Accepted for Fall quarter only:  
  Sept. 1-30 | Yes, for College of Letters & Science (L&S) majors that do not have a pre-major.  
  No for L&S majors that have a pre-major: the pre-major is guaranteed; additional requirements may be met at UCSB after transfer to order to be accepted into the pre-major | All majors in the College of Creative Studies, all majors in the College of Engineering, Dance B.A., Music B.A., Music B.M., Theatre B.F.A. in the College of Letters & Science. | [http://SantaBarbara.cc.ucsb.edu/transfer](http://SantaBarbara.cc.ucsb.edu/transfer)  
  sbtransfer@ucsb.edu  
  (805) 953-3181 |
| Santa Cruz | No | Accepted for Fall quarter only:  
  Sept. 1-30 | Yes, for all screening majors; for the most current list of screening majors, please visit [http://admissions.ucsc.edu/tag](http://admissions.ucsc.edu/tag)  
  None. | None. | [http://SantaCruz.ucsc.edu/tag](http://SantaCruz.ucsc.edu/tag)  
  (831) 459-4005  
  transfer@ucsc.edu |

*Accurate as of June 2020 for the 2021-2022 TAG application cycle. Subject to change. For future TAG application cycle information refer to each individual UC campus admissions website.*

### TAG Requirements by UC Campus:
- **Units**
- **GPA**
- **Eligible Majors**
- **Excluded Majors**
- **Deadlines**
- **Supplemental Requirements**
UC TAG Reminders

- Both TAG Application and UC Admission Application must be submitted in order for TAG to be valid
- **Criteria:**
  - ONE TAG
  - ONE UC Campus
  - ONE Major
    - Apply to other UC campuses via regular admission
- Follow minimum UC admission + specific campus TAG requirements
- **TAG is NOT a Binding Contract** - You can sign a TAG to one campus, but can attend another campus
Tips to Prepare

• Meet with a counselor to review your coursework and create education plan

• Review the TAG Matrix to ensure you are satisfying requirements by campus

• Create a TAP account and begin inputting your coursework
If you have more questions, please see the San Diego Mesa College Transfer Center Webpage for updated contact information.

http://www.sdmesa.edu/student-services/transfer-center/index.shtml
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