Welcome to Preview Day 2015
Taking Part in Research Excellence

Richard Hughey

Vice Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Education

Enhancing Community and Scholarship

Pictured Above: Professor Sandra Faber receiving the National Medal of Science from President Obama in 2013.
UCSC ranked 2\textsuperscript{nd} in the world for research influence

Tied with Stanford, after University of London
Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2015 – 16
Academic Programs

66 majors
43 minors

▪ Arts
▪ Humanities
▪ Physical and Biological Sciences
▪ Social Sciences
▪ Jack Baskin School of Engineering
Student Research at the Center for Agroecology and Sustainable Food Systems

Alice Waters speaking to Farm Apprentices during UCSC’s Founders Day celebrations

Teaching future UCSC students

CASFS Internship
Student Research in the Summer
Student Research with the Chancellor’s Undergraduate Internship Program
Student Research in the Arts
Student Research in Human Health
Student Research in the Humanities

UC SANTA CRUZ
CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF PACIFIC WAR MEMORIES

Reseaching History Directly
First Year Honors Program: Getting Started in Student Research

- College-focused
- Fall Honors “core course” Honors Hall
- Winter Honors seminar
- Spring Research Colloquium
 Slug Life: A Student Perspective

Student Union Assembly External Vice President
The UCSC Residential Colleges

Communities of Learning
Beyond the Classroom

- Internships
- Office of Physical Education, Recreation and Sports (OPERS)
- UCSC Programs Abroad
- Student Organizations
- Student Government (SUA)
- Student Leadership Opportunities
Supporting Our Students

- Academic & Advising Resources
- Career Services
- Resource Centers
- Health & Safety
Admission to UC Santa Cruz

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Admission to UC Santa Cruz

David Kamimoto

Associate Director of Admissions
UCSC Profile

Student Enrollment
Undergraduate: 16,277
Graduate: 1,589

70% of Students conduct undergraduate research

65% of undergraduate course have fewer than 30 students

51.4% Fall 2015 frosh Admission Rate

59.1% Fall 2015 transfer Admission Rate

19:1 Student Faculty Ratio
Freshman Admission Requirements

1. Complete a minimum of 15 college-preparatory “a-g” courses, with at least 11 finished prior to senior year.

2. Earn required grade point average (GPA) in “a-g” courses with no grade lower than a C.

   3.0 California residents
   3.4 Non-residents

GPA calculated from 10th & 11th grade coursework and weighted by a maximum of 8 semesters UC-approved honors grade points

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<th>A-G Subject Area</th>
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<td>b. English</td>
<td>4 years</td>
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<td>c. Mathematics</td>
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<td>d. Laboratory science</td>
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<td>f. Visual and performing arts</td>
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<td>g. College-preparatory elective</td>
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UC looks for academically strong students who will enrich the student experience at a UC campus.
Meet the examination requirement by taking the ACT Plus Writing or the SAT test no later than December of your senior year.

SAT Subject tests are not required.

These scores are the mean, not the minimum.

* Fall 2017 Applicants must take the essay section of the new SAT.

Above: Mean ACT and SAT scores, not the minimum, for frosh admitted for fall 2015.
Comprehensive Review
14 UC-APPROVED CRITERIA

- Grade-Point Average
- Test Scores
- Courses Completed/Planned
- Honors Courses
- Eligibility in the Local Context (ELC)
- Quality of Senior-Year Program of Study
- Academic Opportunities in High Schools
- Performance in Academic Subject Areas
- Achievements in Special Projects
- Improvement in Academic Performance
- Special Talents, Achievements, and Awards
- Participation in Educational Preparation Programs
- Academic Accomplishment Within Life Experiences
- Geographic Location
Personal Statement

- Must address both prompts
- Approximately 1,000 words
- View as personal interview on paper
- Depth not breadth
- Statement should be about you
- Additional Comments

www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/how-to-apply/personal-statement/index.html
Transfer Admission

60 semester (90 quarter) units of UC-transferable coursework

2 courses in English Composition
1 course in Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning
4 courses from two of the three subject areas: Arts & Humanities, Behavioral & Social Sciences, and Physical & Biological Sciences

These courses must be completed with grade of C or better

- Grade Point Average (GPA)
  - 2.4 California residents
  - 2.8 Non-residents of California
Preparing to Transfer

- Selection vs. Minimum
- Major Preparation
- Be aware of selective majors requiring additional screening
- General Education and/or IGETC

admissions.ucsc.edu/apply/transfer-students

admissions.ucsc.edu/apply/transfer-students/major-prep.html

assist.org
Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)

- Early review of academic records
- Early notification of admission to UCSC
- If meet all TAG criteria, guaranteed admission to UCSC
- TAG Filing Period: September 1 – 30
- Available for fall quarter only
- Must also submit UC application

Transfer Admission Planner (UC TAP)

- Students able to more accurately track & plan coursework
- UC staff able to more effectively communicate directly with students
- Coursework in UC TAP uploads into the UC Application
Applying for Admission

Apply online at: universityofcalifornia.edu/apply

Application available: August 1

Application Period: November 1 - 30

Application Fee:
$70 Domestic
$80 International

Fee Waivers available within application
## How Much Does It Cost?

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<td>Tuition and Fees*</td>
<td>$13,482</td>
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<td>Books and Supplies</td>
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<td>Transportation</td>
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<td>Personal Expenses</td>
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<td>Campus Health Insurance**</td>
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<td><strong>Total for CA Resident Budget</strong></td>
<td><strong>$35,082</strong></td>
<td><strong>$30,627</strong></td>
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<td>Non-Resident Tuition</td>
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<td><strong>$59,787</strong></td>
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* Tuition and fees are subject to change

** Campus health insurance is mandatory. The campus medical health insurance charge will be waived for students who provide proof of insurance
Financing Your UCSC Education

- Education is a partnership between families, students & UC Santa Cruz
- Over $265 million in aid is provided to students at UCSC
- 75% of UCSC undergraduates receive some type of financial aid

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available online at fafsa.ed.gov

- Required for any form of financial aid
- EVERYONE should apply!
- Priority filing period: January 1 - March 2
Scholarships

Blue & Gold Opportunity Plan
Grants and scholarships to cover UC tuition and student fees for eligible California students from families with incomes under $80,000

Middle-Class Scholarship (MCS)
Scholarship for eligible California students with family incomes up to $150,000 to attend UC or CSU campuses

Undergraduate Dean’s Scholarships
Awarded to select incoming non-resident students
Awards of $12,000 up to $30,000 for freshmen (over four years)
Awards of $6,000 up to $12,000 for transfer (over two years)
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