Waitlist Step-by-Step for Freshman Applicants for Fall 2016 who have been offered a place on the UCSC Waitlist

To be placed on the UC Santa Cruz waitlist, you must opt in. You will not be placed on the waitlist automatically.

1 If you’ve received a UCSC waitlist offer...
   • Your admission status on my.ucsc.edu will indicate that you were denied admission, but that you have a waitlist option.
   • To accept your waitlist option, in my.ucsc.edu click on the Waitlist Option link, and then click the button indicating "Accept Waitlist Offer."
   • Once you’ve completed that step, you should receive an immediate acknowledgment that you’ve accepted your Waitlist Option.

2 If you’re later offered admission...
   • No later than the beginning of June, we will send you an e-mail indicating you’ve been offered admission and your portal status will change.

3 ...accept the offer of admission....

   Deadline: One Week
   • Accept your offer of admission through the portal by the stated deadline, normally one week from being offered admission.
   • Once we have received your acceptance, you will be able to log in to my.ucsc.edu to verify your new status and sign up for Summer Orientation. This process normally takes no more than two days once you’ve accepted your offer of admission through the portal.

What else can I do besides wait?

Explore other options...
   • Did you receive an offer from another college or university? Take it! Do not rely on being admitted off the UCSC waitlist.
   • Consider the transfer route. About 25 percent of UCSC undergraduates began as transfer students, most from California community colleges.

For more information, read the FAQs. A link to Frequently Asked Questions about UC Santa Cruz’s waitlist is available on my.ucsc.edu.