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Join a Global Leader in Education & Research

Part of the renowned University of California system that includes UC Berkeley and UCLA, UC Santa Cruz is known for the worldwide impact of its research and teaching and its commitment to undergraduate education.

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

• A wide variety of majors and intensive programs of study
• Opportunities for undergraduate research in cutting-edge fields in the Arts, Engineering, Humanities, Physical and Biological Sciences, and Social Sciences ugr.ue.ucsc.edu
• Field study and internships in nearby Silicon Valley and Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary
• International and national honor societies such as Phi Beta Kappa and the Golden Key International Honour Society
• UCSC College Scholars Program honors.ucsc.edu

WORLDWIDE RECOGNITION

• 1st in the nation for Hispanic students (2014, BestColleges.com)
• 4th in the world in research influence (2016, Times Higher Education World University Rankings)
• One of the top greenest schools in the U.S. (Princeton Review, 2016)

ucsc.edu/about/achievements

EIGHT PULITZER PRIZES

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A Location Like No Other

Rarely will you find a location as inspiring as Santa Cruz, where opportunities and convenience are combined with magnificent natural beauty. For a virtual tour of UCSC with panoramic photos, see admissions.ucsc.edu/#virtualtour

ADVANTAGES TO UC SANTA CRUZ LOCATION

• A spectacular campus featuring redwood forests, panoramic views of the Monterey Bay, and open meadows
• The nearest UC campus to Silicon Valley, a worldwide center of technological innovation
• 1.5 hours by car from San Francisco and less than an hour’s drive from San Jose International Airport; about 1 mile from the ocean
• Next to the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, with unique opportunities to study marine life in diverse ecosystems such as kelp forests
• 300 sunny days a year (according to Santa Cruz County officials)

CALIFORNIA: THE GOLDEN STATE

• Most populous state in the U.S., 6th largest economy in the world, over 17 million international visitors in 2016 (according to the California State Government)
• Home to San Francisco, Los Angeles, Hollywood, Disneyland, and other famous places
Academic Life at UCSC

Students can choose from 66 majors, 37 minors, and 48 academic concentrations in the Arts, Humanities, Engineering, Physical and Biological Sciences, and Social Sciences. First-year students can apply as “undeclared/undecided” and determine their major later as UCSC students.

UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS (IN BOLD) & MINORS (academic concentrations listed below the major)

**Anthropology**

**Applied Linguistics and Multilingualism**

**Applied Physics**

Art and Design: Games and Playable Media

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

**Business Management Economics**

Chemistry

Biochemistry

Environmental Chemistry

Classical Studies

Cognitive Science

Community Studies

Critical Race and Ethnic Studies

Earth Sciences

Environmental Geology

Ocean Sciences

Planetary Sciences

Earth Sciences/Anthropology

Ecology and Evolution Economics

Economics/Mathematics

Environmental Studies

Agriculture and Sustainable Food Systems

Environmental Studies/Biology

Environmental Studies/Earth Sciences

Environmental Studies/Economics

**Economics**

**Feminist Studies**

Culture, Power, and Representation

Law, Politics, and Social Change

Science, Technology, and Medicine

Sexuality Studies

**Film and Digital Media**

Critical Studies

Integrated Critical Practice

**German Studies**

Global Economics

History

Americas and Africa

Asia and the Islamic World

Europe

History of Art and Visual Culture

Religion and Visual Culture

Human Biology

Italian Studies

**Jewish Studies**

Language Studies

Chinese

French

German

Italian

Japanese

Spanish

Latin American and Latino Studies

Latin American and Latino Studies/Politics

Latin American and Latino Studies/Sociology

**Legal Studies**

**Linguistics**

**Literature**

Creative Writing

French Literature

German Literature

Greek and Latin Literatures

Italian Literature

Spanish/Latin American/ Latino Literatures

**Marine Biology**

**Mathematics**

Computational Mathematics

Mathematics Education

Pure Mathematics

Molecular, Cell, and Developmental Biology

Music

Neuroscience

Philosophy

Physics

Physics (Astrophysics)

Plant Sciences

Politics

Psychology

Science Education

Sociology

Spanish Studies

Languages and Linguistics

Literature and Culture

Theater Arts

Design and Technology

Drama

JACK BASKIN SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

Bioengineering

Assistive Technology: Motor Bioteledronics

Biomolecular Bioinformatics

Computer Engineering

Computer Systems

Digital Hardware Networks

Robotics and Control Systems Programming

Computer Science

Computer Science: Computer Game Design

Electrical Engineering

Communications, Signals, Systems, and Controls

Electronics/Optics

Network and Digital Technology

Robotics Engineering

Technology and Information Management

Majors with corresponding minors indicated with an asterisk (*). Other minors include: Applied Mathematics

Astrophysics

Dance

East Asian Studies

Education

Electronic Music

Global Information and Social Enterprise Studies

History of Consciousness

Jazz

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)

Education

Statistics

Sustainability Studies

Three-year pathway offered in several majors: advising.ucsc.edu/success/3-year-pathways

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS: admissions.ucsc.edu/majors

GRADUATE STUDIES: graddiv.ucsc.edu
The admission and selection process for freshmen to UC Santa Cruz reflects the academic rigor and preparation needed for admission to a major research institution.

Minimum Qualifications for the University of California
• Complete 15 college-preparatory courses (“a-g” courses), with at least 11 finished prior to the beginning of your senior year.
• History/social science, 2 years
• English, 4 years
• Mathematics, 3 years
• Laboratory science, 2 years
• Language other than English, 2 years
• Visual and performing arts, 1 year
• College-preparatory elective, 1 year (chosen from the subjects listed above or another course approved by the university)
• Earn a grade-point average (GPA) of 3.40 or higher in these courses with no grade lower than a C.
• Complete the ACT Plus Writing examination or the SAT with Essay examination no later than December of your senior year. (SAT exams taken prior to March 2016 will be accepted.)

Selection by UC Santa Cruz
As a selective campus, UC Santa Cruz is unable to offer admission to all UC-qualified applicants. UCSC offers admission to freshman applicants according to the selection policy described on admissions.ucsc.edu/apply/freshman.html. Professionally-trained Admissions readers conduct an in-depth review of your academic and personal achievements. The 14 factors we consider are:
• Grade-Point Average (GPA)
• Test Scores
• Courses Completed/Planned
• Honors Courses
• Eligibility in the Local Context
• Quality of Senior-Year Program of Study
• Educational Opportunities in California High Schools
• Performance in Academic Subject Areas
• Achievements in Special Projects
• Improvement in Academic Performance
• Special Talents, Achievements, and Awards

For more information, visit: admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/freshman and admissions.ucsc.edu/apply/freshman.html.

Applying for Admission
universityofcalifornia.edu/apply
Application available: August 1, 2017
Application filing period: November 1-30, 2017

• Participation in Educational Preparation Programs
• Academic Accomplishment within Life Experiences
• Geographic Location
MEET SOME OF OUR STUDENTS!

KEVIN DOYLE
MAJOR: Physics (astrophysics)
HOMETOWN: West Chester, PA
HIGH SCHOOL: West Chester East High School

“I feel like UCSC focuses on collaboration rather than cut throat learning. People really care about each other at UCSC, and especially at your college, you can get a small-town feel at a large university.”

ALEXANDRA GOODMAN
MAJOR: Psychology
HOMETOWN: Montclair, NJ
HIGH SCHOOL: Montclair High School

“Moving from New Jersey to Santa Cruz has made me a more outgoing person. UCSC has made me go outside of my comfort zone and try new things. It has made me explore different academic opportunities as well as new activities like hiking, that I did not do back in my hometown.”

JACQUELINE McELHONE
MAJOR: Legal studies and politics double major
HOMETOWN: Mason, MI
HIGH SCHOOL: Mason High School

“Everything about my major (astrophysics) has been the most enjoyable challenge I’ve faced. It’s by no means easy, but that’s half the fun, and all of my professors genuinely care about our success and want to help us in any way they can.”

Student Life
at UCSC

Come live and learn with us in a rigorous, yet caring academic environment that supports your success!

GET INVOLVED IN OUR 150+ STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS:

- African American Theater Arts Troupe
- African/Black Student Alliance
- American Medical Student Association (AMSA)
- Asian/Pacific Islander Student Alliance
- Cosplay Club
- Education for Sustainable Living Program (ESLP)
- Everett Program (formerly Global Information Internship Program)
- Filipino Student Association
- Greek Life (26 fraternities and sororities)
- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
- Mock Trial at UCSC
- Model United Nations, SLUGMUN
- Movimiento Estudiantil Chico/a de Aztlan (MEChA)
- PRISM (formerly Queer Student Union)
- Sports Clubs
- Student Alliance of North American Indians (SANAI)
- Student Environmental Center (SEC)

admissions.ucsc.edu/why-ucsc/organizations.html

STUDENT RESOURCE CENTERS

Resource Centers provide students with social and academic support through campus and community programming.

resourcecenters.ucsc.edu

admissions.sa.ucsc.edu/studentprofile
Support
• Opportunities for academic support, such as advising, tutoring, and Modified Supplemental Instruction
  studentservices.ucsc.edu
• Summer Academy: First-Year Incoming frosh get an early start on degree progress and transition to campus life before the rush of fall.
  summer.ucsc.edu

Health & Safety
• A commitment to campus safety, with police and fire stations right on campus
• The Student Health Center on campus, providing medical, counseling, and psychological services
  admissions.ucsc.edu/apply/parents-and-guardians/prospective-students/health-safety.html

Sports & Recreation
• Intercollegiate athletics and a world-famous recreation program
• NCAA Division III teams in men’s/women’s basketball, cross-country, soccer, swimming/diving, tennis, track and field, and volleyball; women’s golf.
  opers.ucsc.edu

*Highlights for Out-of-State Frosh*

**Housing & Campus Life**
• A residential-college affiliation at one of the 10 UCSC colleges, providing smaller communities of living and learning, advising, and a writing-intensive core seminar
• A two-year campus housing guarantee—you will have a room waiting for you when you arrive on campus in the fall
• Free access to campus shuttles and buses to get around campus and town

housing.ucsc.edu
**ADMISSION FACTS**

- **Number of countries represented by fall 2017 applicants:** 104
- **U.S. states represented by fall 2017 applicants:** 50, plus Washington, D.C., Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and Samoa
- **2017 admission rate for frosh:** 51.4%

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- **Total enrollment for fall 2016:** 18,783
- **16,962 undergraduates**
- **1,821 graduate students**

New out-of-state frosh top home states, fall 2016:
- Arizona
- Colorado
- Florida
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- New Jersey
- New York
- Oregon
- Texas
- Washington

Undergraduate Ethnicities: UC Santa Cruz seeks to enroll and graduate a student body of diverse cultural, racial, geographical, and socioeconomic backgrounds. In fall 2016, the primary ethnicities of undergraduates were African American, 4.1%; Native American, 0.9%; Asian American/Pacific Islander, 27.6%; Chicano/Latino, 29.1%; Euro-American, 32.0%; international, 4.5%; not stated, 1.8%.

**ENROLLMENT FACTS**

- **Student/faculty ratio:** 19 to 1
- **Class size:** 63% of undergraduate courses have fewer than 30 students; 76% have fewer than 50.
- **Undergraduate research:** over 70% of undergraduates conduct research during their UCSC careers.
Trevor is from Massachusetts where his parents both work. Together they earn $182,000. Trevor has a younger brother who attends high school. Since Trevor is not a resident of California, he must pay non-resident tuition in addition to fees that California residents pay. He is selected for a Dean’s Award based on his admissions application. Trevor plans to live on campus.

$. \text{Total Cost of Attendance} = $62,187$
$. \text{Net Family Cost} = $58,187$

**OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO MEET NET COST**
- Federal Direct Subsidized Student Loan: $3,500
- University Loan: $1,000
- Federal Direct Unsubsidized Student Loan: $2,000
- Federal Work Study: $2,000
- Federal Parent Loan (PLUS): $49,687

$. \text{Total Available Options to Meet Net Cost} = $58,187$

For additional samples, see financialaid.ucsc.edu/financial_literacy/brochures.html.

**ESTIMATED UNDERGRADUATE EXPENSES 2017-2018**

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*Tuition and fees are subject to change. For updated information, see financialaid.ucsc.edu/costs/index.html
**Campus health insurance is mandatory. The campus medical health insurance charge will be waived for students who provide proof of insurance.

Please note that UCSC Summer Session does not charge non-resident tuition.

**UCSC’s Undergraduate Dean’s Scholarships and Awards**

range from $12,000 to $40,000, distributed over four years and applied to non-resident tuition. These scholarships and awards are only available to admitted non-resident students, based primarily on their academic achievement.
After Graduation

RECENT ALUMNI & THEIR CURRENT ACTIVITIES

Nwadiuto (“DT”) Amajoryi (Psychology, ’13), pursuing an international law degree in London, recently attended the European Court of Justice.


SOME WELL-KNOWN ALUMNI

Robin Toma (Sociology & Economics, ’82), lawyer and executive director of the LA County Human Relations Commission. Instrumental role in a lawsuit and campaign for redress for more than 2,200 former Japanese Latin American internees.

Susan Wojcicki (M.S. Economics, ’93), first marketing manager of Google, now CEO of YouTube, called “the most powerful woman on the Internet” by Time Magazine.

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