UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SANTA CRUZ

First-Year Students from the U.S. (outside California)

2019
2020
A BREAKTHROUGH IN LIFE SCIENCES

Harry Noller, professor emeritus of molecular, cell, and developmental biology, was the winner of the prestigious 2017 Breakthrough Prize in Life Sciences, which carries a prize of $3 million. Professor Noller was recognized for his discoveries about the ribosome, the tiny structure of the cell that he calls “the mothership of life.”

reports.news.ucsc.edu/breakthrough

WORLDWIDE RECOGNITION

• 1st in the nation for Hispanic students (2014, BestColleges.com)
• 3rd in the world in research influence (2017, Times Higher Education World University Rankings)
• One of the top greenest schools in the U.S. (Sierra Club, 2017)

ucsc.edu/about/achievements

We Are Different — WE ARE BANANA SLUGS!

We...

• critically examine the past in order to create a more equitable future.
• create knowledge to serve society, and preserve the environment.
• work together across academic boundaries.
• constantly challenge ourselves to innovate and discover.
• champion diversity in all its forms.
• influence research outcomes on a global scale.

PRINCIPLES OF COMMUNITY:
ucsc.edu/about/principles-community.html

QUICK FACTS

18.6 to 1 student/faculty ratio
62% of undergraduate courses have fewer than 30 students; 72% have fewer than 50

Over 70% of undergraduates conduct research during their UCSC careers.
A Location Like No Other

In Santa Cruz, 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 of redwood forests, views of Monterey Bay, and meadows
• Nearest UC campus to Silicon Valley
• 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 Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary
• 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 2017 (according to the California State Government)
• Home to San Francisco, Los Angeles, Hollywood, Disneyland, and other famous places
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**Cary Joji Fukunaga**  
**History, ’99**  
Emmy Award-winning director, writer, and producer, whose works include “Sin Nombre,” “True Detective,” and “Jane Eyre.”

**Paul Simpson**  
**Business management economics, ’02**  
M.B.A., Haas School of Business, UC Berkeley  
Entrepreneur and leadership team member of Promise, Inc., a company focused on humane alternatives to incarceration.

**Kathryn Sullivan**  
**Earth sciences, ’73**  
Ph.D., geology, Dalhousie University, Canada  
First American woman to walk in space and the former administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

**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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**BANANA SLUGS AFTER GRADUATION**

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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, with at least 11 finished prior to the beginning of your senior year.

The 15 courses are:
a. History/social science, 2 years
b. English, 4 years
c. Mathematics, 3 years
d. Laboratory science, 2 years
e. Language other than English, 2 years
f. Visual and performing arts, 1 year
g. 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 the senior year. (SAT exams taken prior to March 2016 will be accepted.) For more information, visit: admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/freshman and admissions.ucsc.edu/apply/freshman.html.

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
• Participation in Educational Preparation Programs
• Academic Accomplishment within Life Experiences
• Geographic Location

Students interested in computer science must select the major as their first choice on the UC Application. Applicants are encouraged to have a solid background in advanced high school mathematics. A student not selected for computer science may be reviewed for admission to an alternate major if one was selected.
Undergraduate Majors (in bold) 34 Minors 46 Academic Concentrations (listed below the major)


*Majors with corresponding minors indicated with an asterisk.

Summer Academy: First Year
Incoming freshman can choose to get an early start on degree progress and transition to campus life before the rush of fall.
summer.ucsc.edu

Jack Baskin School of Engineering

Undergraduate Programs: admissions.ucsc.edu/majors
Graduate Studies: graddiv.ucsc.edu

Other Minors Include:

3+3 BA/JD Program
Get your B.A. and your J.D. from UC Hastings College of the Law in six years instead of seven!
3plus3.ucsc.edu

Three-Year Pathway Majors
Anthropology  Art  Business Management Economics  Economics  Environmental Studies  Film and Digital Media  History  Legal Studies  Literature  Philosophy  Politics  Psychology  Sociology  Advising: advising.ucsc.edu/success/3-year-pathways
Get Involved in Our 150+ Student Organizations

African American Theater Arts Troupe
American Medical Student Association (AMSA)
Asian/Pacific Islander Student Alliance
Bayanihan (formerly Filipino Student Association)
Black Student Union
Cosplay Club
Education for Sustainable Living Program (ESLP)
Everest Program (formerly Global Information Internship Program)
Greek Life (26 Fraternities and Sororities)
Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
Mock Trial at UCSC
Model United Nations, SLUGMUN
Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano/a de Aztlán (MEChA)
Prism: Student Coalition for Gender, Sex, and Sexuality
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
Support
• Opportunities for academic support, such as advising, tutoring, and Modified Supplemental Instruction
studentservices.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

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

Highlights for Out-of-State Frosh
## ENROLLMENT FACTS

### Fall 2017 enrollment

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### ADMISSION FACTS

#### Number of countries represented by fall 2018 applicants: 100

#### U.S. states represented by fall 2018 applicants:
- 48, plus Washington, D.C., Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, Samoa, and the Virgin Islands

#### 2018 admission rate for frosh: 47.7%

### Admitted frosh fall 2018 profile

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**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.

Investing in a UCSC Education

UCSC’s Undergraduate Dean’s Scholarships and Awards range from $12,000 to $40,000, split 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 as determined by the UC Application. No separate application is required.
Applying for Admission

universityofcalifornia.edu/apply

Application available: August 1, 2018
Application filing period: November 1-30, 2018

SLUG CONNECTION
Sign up for the Slug Connection, your personalized online connection to UC Santa Cruz Admissions!
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Campus Tours
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Out-of-State Admissions
admissions.ucsc.edu/apply/out-of-state-students

admissions.ucsc.edu