Welcome Parents to College Knowledge Night!
## Eligibility Requirements

### A-G Requirements

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College GPA

GPA is determined by grades earned in A-G classes taken in the last 3 years of high school

9 SS 10 SS 11 SS 12

College Prep GPA

ONLY courses which fall under the A-G requirements are taken into consideration by colleges and universities when calculating the GPA.

Some High School Graduation Requirements are NOT considered A-G courses such as:

> Physical Education
> Computer/Typing
> Service

> Health
> Woodshop
> Leadership
GPA Types

- **Weighted GPA** - Honors/AP/College Level courses are given more pts.

- **UC (Capped) GPA** - only includes A-G courses in grades 9’SS through 11’ss and is weighted up to 8 pts for H/AP/CL

- **UC (W) GPA** - only includes A-G courses in grades 9’SS through 11’ss and is weighted with no limit to # of H/AP/CL pts.
California Systems of Higher Education

California Community College (CCC)
100% - cccapply.org

California State University (CSU)
33% - calstate.edu

University of California (UC)
12.5% - universityofcalifornia.edu

Private Colleges & Universities
aiccu.edu
## Cost of Attendance Breakdown

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<th>UC</th>
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<td>Registration Fees and Tuition*</td>
<td>$1,114 - $1,448</td>
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<td><strong>Total Cost of Attendance</strong></td>
<td><strong>$12,086 - $19,288</strong></td>
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<td><strong>$31,948 - 36,956</strong></td>
<td><strong>$42,357- $79,336</strong></td>
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*Registration fees and tuition are based on Full-time enrollment for CA residents. Fees and tuition are subject to change without advance notice.
*Non-California Residents: Out-of-state and international students must pay additional out-of-state registration fees.
Financial Aid

Four Types

- Grants: Need based money without repayment
- Scholarships: Need based money without repayment
- Work Study: Fixed low interest rate money that has to be repaid
- Federal Loans: Federal money that has to be repaid

Four Sources

- State
- Federal
- School
- Private
Award Letter

1. Gift Aid – Grants & Scholarships
2. Self-Help Aid – Work Study
3. Expected Family Contribution
4. Loans
5. Cost of Attendance
   Tuition & Fees
   Housing Status
   Personal Expenses
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<th>Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)</th>
<th>GPA Verification Form</th>
<th>CSS Profile</th>
<th>Dream Act Application</th>
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<td>Csac.ca.gov</td>
<td>Collegeboard.com</td>
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<td>Cost</td>
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- **Cost:** $0 (Fee Waivers available based on financial need)
# Admissions Requirements

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<th>Community Colleges (100%)</th>
<th>UC (12.5%) &amp; Private Universities</th>
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College Application Deadlines

- **UC Applications:** [www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply)
  - Opens: August 1st
  - Submit: November 1st
  - Deadline November 30th
- **CSU Applications:** [www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu)
  - Open: October 1st
  - Submit: October 1st
  - Deadline November 30th
- **Private/Independent:** [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)
  - Common Application Opens: August 1st
  - Deadlines Vary
- **Community Colleges** [www.cccapply.org](http://www.cccapply.org)
  - Open: Varies but many will open by January
  - Submit: January and On

Don’t forget, applying is the first of many steps. You must follow up by:

1. Ensuring you send SAT/ACT scores
2. Checking emails
3. Creating Portals
4. Taking English & Math Placement exams
5. Reporting D’s & F’s senior year, or changes to courses reported
### College Entrance Exams

**FEE Waivers:** 2 FREE SAT, 2 FREE ACT, & 2 FREE SAT Subject Tests

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**Register:**
- Collegeboard.com
- Actstudent.org
- Collegeboard.com
Recommended Test Dates

SAT II (Subject)
• May 2nd  → Register by April 6th

SAT (Reasoning)
• June 6th  → Register by May 8th
• October TBD

ACT + Writing
• June 13th  → Register by May 8th
• October TBD

www.sat.collegeboard.org/practice
DON’T FORGET TO SEND IN ALL YOUR TEST SCORES!!

LAST CHANCE FOR SENIORS TO TAKE THESE EXAMS IS DECEMBER! REGISTRATION IS IN NOVEMBER.

You can choose to send scores at the time you register for exam!
Sends scores to:

① UC

② 3594 (for CSU Mentor Long Beach)

③ Private college/university

④ Private college/university
California State Universities

Number of Institutions
• 23 schools statewide

Type: 4 year institutions

Degrees Offered:
- Bachelors (B.A./B.S.)
- Masters
- Teaching Credentials
- Some offer Doctorates through joint programs with the UCs

Website: csumentor.edu
Application Oct. 1st – Nov. 31st

4 FEE Waivers
# CSU Admission By Eligibility Index

**Math + Critical Reading**

\[ \text{LOS ANGELES SERVICE AREA} \]

\[ + \ (\text{GPA} \times 800) = 2,900 \]

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Junior Assessment Workshop Class of 2016

UCLA’s Early Academic Outreach Program
CSU All Campus Impaction

Most Competitive
- Long Beach
- Fullerton
- San Luis Obispo
- San Jose State
- San Diego

CSU Impacted Eligibility Index

Non-STEM Majors
\[(\text{GPA} \times 800) + (\text{Critical Reading} + \text{Math}) = 3,200\]

STEM Majors
\[(\text{GPA} \times 600) + (\text{Critical Reading} + (2 \times \text{Math})) = 3,300\]

* Meeting eligibility does not guarantee admissions, students who meet eligibility are still ranked by overall scores and admitted by availability of space.
University of California

Number of Institutions
- 10 schools statewide
- 9 campuses opened to undergrads and transfers

Type: 4 year institutions

Degrees Offered:
- Bachelors (B.A./B.S.)
- Masters
- Doctorates/Professional

Website: universityofcalifornia.edu
Application: Opens Aug. 1st
Submit: Nov. 1st – Nov. 30th
Cost: $70/school → Fee Waiver: 4 FREE schools

TIER 1
- UCLA
- UCSB
- UCM

TIER 2
- UCB
- UCI
- UCSC

TIER 3
- UCSD
- UCD
- UCR

Junior Assessment Workshop Class of 2016

UCLA’s Early Academic Outreach Program
California Private Schools

Number of Institutions
70+ schools statewide

Type: 2 year and 4 year programs

Degrees Offered:
- Associates
- Bachelors
- Masters
- Doctorates

- Vary in size, price, and prestige

Website: www.aiccu.edu (CA Privates)
www.bigfutures.collegeboard.org

4 FEE Waivers through Collegeboard SAT
Private Colleges and Universities

- Different application deadlines
- Different admission policies:
  - Early Decision – non-binding
  - Early Action – binding agreement
  - Regular Action/Decision
- Institutional application and/or common application

www.commonapp.org
# Holistic Review: UC’s & Privates

## Academic Factors
- Grade-Point Average
- Courses Completed/Planned
- Honors Courses
- Top 9% Local Context (ELC)
- Quality of Senior-Year Program of Study
- Test Scores
- Academic Opportunities in California High Schools
- Performance in Academic Subject Areas
- Improvement in Academic Performance

## Non-Academic Factors
- Achievements in Special Projects
- Special Talents, Achievements, and Awards
- Participation in Educational Preparation Programs
- Academic Accomplishment Within Life Experiences
- Geographic Location
Non-Academic Factors: Non A-G Courses

Examples
- Yearbook
- Leadership
- ROTC
- Decathlon
- Digital Computers
- Debate
- Woodshop
- CPR Classes
- Peer Counseling
- ROP Training

Description Components:
1. (Position)
2. Describe knowledge or skills gained, activities performed in this program and/or course.

* See handout for example of action words to use.
Non-Academic Factors:

Educational Prep Programs

Examples

- EAOP
- TELACU
- Cal-Soap
- ETS
- SAT Prep
- Kaiser Programs
- AP Readiness
- AP Boost
- ARC Program
- COSMOS
- Vsource
- MESA
- Summer Programs

Description Components:
1. What did you gain from this program? Services, experiences, knowledge or skills gained.

DO NOT describe the program objective

* See handout for example of action words to use.
Non-Academic Factors: Volunteer & Community Service

Examples
- Child Caretaker
- Elderly Caretaker
- Tutor
- Unpaid Internships
- Church Volunteer (Choir, Fundraising etc)
- Clean-ups/Fundraising
- Community Service Clubs
- Hospital Volunteer

Description Components:
1. (Position)
2. Use action words to specify/ describe the extent of your involvement. Start with any special projects you initiated or oversaw.

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Non-Academic Factors: Work Experience

Description Components:
Name of Business
1. (Position)
2. Describe responsibilities/duties

* See handout for example of action words to use.
Non-Academic Factors: Awards & Honors

Examples
- Academic Achievement
- Athletic Awards
- Leadership Awards
- Community Service Recognition
- Competition Awards
- Scholarships
- Summer/Internship Program Acceptance

Description Components:
Title of Award
1. Provide criteria of selectivity of award (selected from # of students).
2. Describe reason for award

* See handout for example of action words to use.
Non-Academic Factors:
Extracurricular Activities

Examples

- Clubs
- Sports
- Dance Team
- Debate Team
- Journalism
- JROTC
- Leadership
- Yearbook
- Chatechism/Confirmation
- Music Lesson

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DO NOT describe the club or sport

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Holistic Review: Personal Achievements

Personal Achievements will be judged with consideration to:

1. **Leadership:** team captain, editor, president, treasurer, etc
2. **Progression and initiative**
3. **Years of involvement**
4. **Quality of Involvement**

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<td>Supervise siblings age 6 and 10. Responsible for household upkeep. Prepare nutritious meals, arrange enrichment activities and provide safe and nurturing environment. Mentor &amp; tutor.</td>
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<td>Key Club (President)</td>
<td>Treasurer 2012 &amp; 2011) Organized service activities, expanded club membership, raised $750 for transportation</td>
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Personal Statements

Statement #1:
Describe the world you come from - for example, your family, community or school - and tell us how your world has shaped your dreams and aspirations.

Statement #2:
Tell us about a personal quality, talent, accomplishment, contribution or experience that is important to you. What about this quality or accomplishment makes you proud and how does it relate to the person you are?
Purpose of the Personal Statement

An admission decision will never be based on the content of a personal statement alone, HOWEVER, IT CAN BE USED TO:

- **Distinguish yourself** from others
- **Elaborate** on (not just repeat) something from your application
- **Reveal information not mentioned** in application
- **Highlight deep commitment** to activities, programs, and accomplishments
Avoid common mistakes

1. Do not give your statement away by talking all about someone you admire.
2. Don’t be campus specific! One UC application for all 9 of us.
3. Overboard creative writing (poems, scene setting, or clichés)
4. Multiple topics – each question should be answered with one topic. You cannot go into depth when you talk about multiple topics.
5. Don’t list accomplishments, go in dept.
Do’s for Statements

• Focus on strengths: Leadership, Initiative, tenacity etc.
• Use your essay to explain things: lack of H/AP classes, extra curricular activities, drop in grades etc.
• Talk about obstacles if there were/are any: first generation, low-income, single parent household, school/neighborhood environment etc.
• If there are a lot of resources at school/home, how did you take advantage of them?
• Dig deep and do not write in a passive voice
• Grab the readers attention. Hook!