At UCI, we enthusiastically embrace the bold, independent, one-of-a-kind mind. Those who see and do things differently. We nurture your unique strengths by encouraging courageous thought and take you beyond the classroom to see opportunity where others see impossibility. Our exceptional faculty are renowned innovators who believe in activating your ideas toward real world impact. Here, the most talented and passionate are making their distinctive mark because of UCI.

Check us out online at admissions.uci.edu to see what students are up to and for more information about becoming an Anteater.
On-campus housing is beautiful and has a ton of amenities. It’s like living at a resort instead of a dorm. I had such a great experience that I’m going to be the RA for my old hall. "Daria"

As an engineer, I think sustainability is very important, so I joined a research program through UCI and traveled to Costa Rica to study sustainable development. "Bri"

Everyone here is involved in something—it’s what defines the campus. I’m a part of student government, mentorship programs, high school outreach, and peer health education. "Anthony"

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Daria

UCI students are adventurous and want to go out and do stuff. I’ve gone hiking in the Azusa Mountains and then come back the same day to go to a barbeque on the beach.

Oscar

As an engineer, I think sustainability is very important, so I joined a research program through UCI and traveled to Costa Rica to study sustainable development and practices.

Brianna

My biggest fear was leaving behind all of my friends and family. But UCI has become my new home. Everyone here is so welcoming and accepting that it’s easy to find people you get along with.

Lus
Aldrich Park was modeled after New York City’s Central Park and contains more than 10,000 trees, including 33 species of eucalyptus.

UCI offers many master’s programs as well as an M.D., Ed.D., J.D., and a variety of Ph.D. programs. The graduate schools are further out from the undergraduate schools, representing concentric circles of knowledge.
**Ring Road**, which completely encircles **Aldrich Park**, measures up to **1.4 miles**, and has plazas for almost every undergraduate school.
“As UCI’s mascot, I know a lot about the school. One aspect I love is that almost all of the academic buildings are along Ring Road, which forms a circle around Aldrich Park—a popular meeting place, study area, and convenient field for sports and other activities.

The unique circular layout of the campus allows students to get around easily and provides a tight-knit learning community similar to that of a small college. UCI’s campus has fostered a long tradition of friendly collaboration among bold and pioneering students; in fact, it’s how I came to be!

When UCI first opened in 1965, three friends campaigned for the anteater to be the university’s mascot. They got their inspiration from Johnny Hart’s B.C. comic strip, which featured an anteater who made the ‘Zot!’ sound when he consumed ants. They posted flyers all around campus and at the next water polo game, 900 students packed around the pool cheering, ‘Zot! Zot! Zot!’

The rest is history. Now you can see me, Peter the Anteater, all over campus, and students are proud to be part of ‘Eater Nation!”
Facts & Rankings

- **#9 Among the Nation’s Best Public Universities**: U.S. News & World Report
- **#1 Doing the Most for the American Dream**: The New York Times
- **#1 Forbes Best Value College**: Forbes
- **#3 Coolest School for Environmental Sustainability**: Sierra magazine
- **#3 Guinness World Records**:
- **Student to Faculty Ratio**: 19:1
- **Enrollment** *(Fall 2016)*:
  - Undergraduates: **27,331**
  - Graduates: **6,136**
  - Total: **33,467**

For more information, visit [admissions.uci.edu/rankings](http://admissions.uci.edu/rankings)
UCI has achieved worldwide recognition as a preeminent university with a reputation for unwavering excellence. It is a #1 choice for students seeking the advantages of a ‘small college feel’ within a large, dynamic research university. As early as freshman year, UCI’s world-class faculty are accessible for research projects and student mentoring.

With new cutting-edge academic programs, internship opportunities with top tier companies headquartered in Irvine, and a vibrant alumni community, UCI is attracting the best and brightest students from around the globe.

Academics
Majors

Aerospace Engineering
African American Studies
Anthropology
Applied Physics
Art
Art History
Asian American Studies
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Biological Sciences
Biology/Education
Biomedical Engineering
Biomedical Engineering: Premedical
Business Administration
Business Economics
Business Information Management
Chemical Engineering
Chemistry
Chicano/Latino Studies
Chinese Studies
Civil Engineering
Classics
Cognitive Sciences
Comparative Literature
Computer Engineering
Computer Game Science
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Dance
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Developmental and Cell Biology
Drama
Earth System Science
East Asian Cultures
Ecology and Evolutionary Biology
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English
Environmental Engineering

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Exercise Sciences
Film and Media Studies
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Gender and Sexuality Studies
Genetics
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Global Cultures
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Human Biology
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International Studies
Japanese Language and Literature
Korean Literature and Culture
Literary Journalism
Materials Science Engineering
Mathematics
Mechanical Engineering
Microbiology and Immunology
Music
Neurobiology
Nursing Science
Pharmaceutical Sciences
Philosophy
Physics
Political Science
Psychology
Psychology and Social Behavior
Public Health Policy
Public Health Sciences
Quantitative Economics
Religious Studies
Social Ecology
Social Policy and Public Service
Sociology
Software Engineering
Spanish
Undeclared
Urban Studies

For more information about each major, and for a list of minors, visit admissions.uci.edu/majors
Academic Resources
Present your research and get published, socialize with ambitious students who have similar academic and career interests, apply for prestigious scholarships, explore a new country and learn a new language. There are so many different ways to amplify your academic experience at UCI. Explore the academic resources available to you and discover how you can make the most of your undergraduate experience.

admissions.uci.edu/academicresources
Student Life
Campus Organizations
UCI has more than 630 student clubs and organizations, so it’s easy to get involved, meet new people, hone your talents, and make a difference—on campus, in local communities, and internationally. From volunteer groups to multicultural organizations to Greek fraternities and sororities, there are myriad opportunities to assume a leadership role and share the experience of making a difference with fellow students.
admissions.uci.edu/orgs

Activities and Events
Your experience at UCI is about more than just academics. There are concerts, festivals, movie screenings, comedy nights, and many other special activities to enjoy throughout the year. Several of the most popular annual campus-wide events include Shocktoberfest and Homecoming. Students also frequent the nearby cities of Los Angeles and San Diego as well as famous destinations such as Disneyland. Having fun is a big part of what life as a UCI student is all about!
admissions.uci.edu/events
Housing and Dining
More than 12,000 students live on campus each year to take advantage of award-winning facilities, convenience, and lots of Anteater spirit. Eligible freshmen are guaranteed two years of on-campus housing and eligible transfer students are guaranteed one. Plenty of places to eat are located throughout campus or across the street. Whether you’re craving Starbucks, In-N-Out Burger, or an all-you-can-eat dining hall, you’ll never be far from a snack or a full meal. admissions.uci.edu/housing

Student Services
UCI is proud to be a supportive and nurturing environment for all students. A variety of programs, activities, and centers provide assistance for just about any academic, personal, social, or career interest. The Cross-Cultural Center, Veteran Services, LGBT Resource Center, Disability Services Center, and many others are designed to help students make a successful transition to the university and provide a home away from home. admissions.uci.edu/studentservices
Student Life
Sports
Athletics
An NCAA Division I school, UCI’s athletic program features 18 sports: men’s baseball, basketball, cross country, golf, soccer, tennis, track & field, volleyball, and water polo; and women’s basketball, cross country, golf, indoor track & field, soccer, tennis, track & field, volleyball, and water polo. UCI has won 28 team national championships and 64 individual national championships. admissions.uci.edu/athletics

Campus Recreation
Stay active, join a team, try something new, and have fun meeting other students on campus. UCI students can take advantage of dozens of club and intramural sports and the countless programs and activities that are available in the Anteater Recreation Center (ARC), a 110,000 square foot indoor facility with a 25-acre outdoor complex. From rock climbing to dance to sailing, UCI offers something for everyone. admissions.uci.edu/campusrec
SoCal Location
Nestled in the rolling coastal foothills of Orange County and five miles from pristine Pacific Ocean beaches, UCI’s campus benefits from a perfect Mediterranean climate. The incomparable location offers easy access to surfing and sailing, hundreds of miles of bike and hiking trails, desert camping, and mountain resorts for snowboarding and skiing. Close to both Los Angeles and San Diego, the city of Irvine, consistently ranked among the safest in the nation, is a major technology and business hub with highly educated and diverse residents.
admissions.uci.edu/socal

Campus Tours
Infectious school spirit. A visually breathtaking campus. Originality and opportunity. Involvement in activities that will shape the future globally. These are some of the things students say they saw and felt during their first campus visit. Come see UCI for yourself by attending a campus tour, held Monday through Friday at noon. Can’t make it in-person? Take an interactive virtual tour online with 360° views of Aldrich Park, student housing, and more.
admissions.uci.edu/tour
Freshman Admission
In order to be eligible for admission to UCI, you must satisfy the GPA, “a-g,” and exam requirements.

GPA Requirement
You must receive a 3.0 GPA or higher in the required “a-g” subjects during grades 10 and 11. If you are a non-California resident, you must have a minimum 3.4 GPA in order to be eligible for the UC System; all other requirements for admission are the same as for California residents.

A-G Requirements
The “a-g” requirements, also called Academic Subject Requirements, represent the minimum academic preparation freshman applicants must meet to be eligible for admission to the University of California.

A. 2 years of History/Social Science
   • 1 year of world or European history, cultures and geography
   • 1 year of U.S. history OR 1 half-year of U.S. history and 1 half-year of American government or civics

B. 4 years of English

C. 3 years of Mathematics
   (4 years recommended)
   • Must include algebra, geometry, and advanced algebra

D. 2 years of Laboratory Science
   (3 years recommended)
   • Must include two of these three subjects: biology, chemistry, and physics

E. 2 years of a Language other than English
   (3 years recommended)
   • The second year or higher of the same language must be completed to fulfill this requirement

F. 1 year of Visual and Performing Arts
   • A yearlong course chosen from these disciplines: dance, drama/theater, music, visual art or interdisciplinary arts

G. 1 year of College Preparatory Electives

A-G Course Management Portal (CMP)
CMP provides additional information regarding “a-g” requirements and UC eligibility. California high school students can view their school’s UC certified course list, which includes courses that will be considered for honors. Learn more at www.ucop.edu/agguide.

Exams
All freshman applicants must submit college admission test scores from the SAT or the ACT with Writing. For exam details, visit collegeboard.org, actstudent.org, and admission.universityofcalifornia.edu.

Submission of SAT Subject Test scores is not required, but may add positively to the review of a student’s application. For more information, see the UCI General Catalogue at catalogue.uci.edu.
International Applicants
International applicants should also visit admissions.uci.edu/freshman for information about admission requirements specifically for students living outside of the U.S.

Selection Criteria for Prospective UCI Freshmen
Freshman applications are evaluated on the following:
• The number of college preparatory courses completed and the level of achievement in those courses including:
  - courses completed beyond the minimum subject requirements
  - university approved honors courses completed, e.g., College Board Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate Higher Level courses, and transferable college courses
  - the quality of the senior-year program, as measured by the type and number of academic courses in progress or planned
• Academic grade point average (GPA):
  - UCI uses a maximum of eight honors grade points in determining the UC GPA
• Scores on the SAT or the ACT with Writing
• Evidence of intellectual or creative achievement or substantial public service
• Special talents, achievements, and awards in a particular field, special interests, experiences that demonstrate unusual promise for leadership, or other significant experiences or achievements that demonstrate the applicant’s promise for contributing to the intellectual vitality of the campus
• Academic accomplishments in light of the applicant’s life experiences and special circumstances

Learn more about freshman admission requirements at admissions.uci.edu/freshman

Fall 2017
Admitted Freshman Student Median Scores

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Transfer Admission
UCI is committed to providing educational excellence and a vibrant campus life for transfer students. We welcome the distinctive experience transfer students contribute to our campus.

Basic UC Transfer Requirements
- 60 semester or 90 quarter UC transferable units with a minimum 2.4 GPA (2.8 for non-California residents); however, a competitive UCI transfer applicant should have a UC transferable GPA of 3.0 or above
- All 60 semester or 90 quarter UC transferable units must be completed by the end of the spring 2018 term for fall 2018 admission
- Complete the following seven transferable college courses (with a grade of a C or better in each course):
  - Two UC transferable courses in English composition
  - One UC transferable course in mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning
  - Four UC transferable courses chosen from at least two of the following areas: arts and humanities, social and behavioral sciences, or physical and biological sciences

Transfer Credit Limitation
Students will be granted up to 70 semester/105 quarter units of credit for lower division coursework completed at any institution or any combination of institutions. For units beyond the maximum, subject credit may be granted and used to satisfy requirements. Units earned through AP, IB, and/or A-Level examinations are not included in the limitation and do not put applicants at risk of being denied admission. Units earned at any UC campus (Extension, summer, cross/concurrent and regular academic year enrollment) are not included in the limitation but are added to the maximum transfer credit allowed and may put applicants at risk of being denied admission due to excessive units. No more than 14 semester (21 quarter) units may be taken for Pass/No Pass credit (not major prerequisites). Grades earned in all UC transferable coursework are used in calculating the UC transferable GPA.

Requirements for Specific UCI Majors
In addition to meeting UC transfer eligibility requirements, students applying to UCI must also meet the requirements for their specific major. Please go to admissions.uci.edu/transferbyschool to view the transfer admission requirements for your desired major.

International Applicants
International applicants should also visit admissions.uci.edu/transfer for information about admission requirements specifically for students living outside of the U.S.
Selection Criteria for Prospective UCI Transfer Students

Highest priority for admission is given to California resident junior-level applicants from California Community Colleges. Preference will also be given to community college students who have participated in academically selective honors courses or programs. Junior-level transfer applicants from four-year colleges may be considered as space permits.

Academic achievement and performance; and personal accomplishment, potential, and experience are assessed through a comprehensive review of all information provided on the application, plus the following:

- An exceptionally challenging curriculum
- Completion of required English composition and mathematics courses by the end of the spring term preceding enrollment at UCI
- Outstanding accomplishments relevant to academic aims
- Unusual circumstances or hardships the applicant has faced and the ways in which the applicant has responded to these challenges
- A strong, thoughtful match between UCI’s programs and the applicant’s academic and career objectives, preparation, talents, and skills
- Potential contributions to the campus

Transfer Resources

ASSIST

ASSIST is the California statewide resource that provides the most accurate and up-to-date information to help you transfer from a community college to a four-year university. The website will help you find which courses satisfy lower division GE requirements, which courses transfer to UCI, and which requirements are needed for specific majors. Learn more at assist.org.

California Community College Advising

UCI offers 30 minute in-person counseling sessions to prospective California Community College transfer students in the Undergraduate Admissions Office, 260 Aldrich Hall. Use the online Advising Calendar to check availability and schedule an appointment at admissions.uci.edu/transfer.

UC Transfer Pathways

Transfer Pathways guide students who want to make themselves competitive across the UC system. Following a pathway does not guarantee admission to UCI. Learn more at ucal.us/transferpathways.

Fall 2017 Admitted Transfer Student
California Community College
Median GPA
3.62
Transfer Admission Guarantee
The Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) program guarantees admission to highly-qualified students from all California Community Colleges. Admission to most majors at UCI can be guaranteed through TAG for transfer students who meet the eligibility requirements and complete the online TAG application. Students must also complete the online UC Application and select UCI at ucal.us/apply.

You are eligible for TAG if:
You are a California Community College student who:
• has completed 30 semester or 45 quarter UC transferable units (including AP/IB/A-level) by the end of the summer 2017 term for fall 2018 admission;
• has earned a minimum GPA of 3.4 in all UC transferable coursework by the end of the summer 2017 term for fall 2018 admission and will maintain a GPA of 3.4 in all UC transferable coursework for all subsequent terms;
• has completed one UC transferable math course with a grade of C or better by the end of the summer 2017 term;
• has completed one UC transferable English course with a grade of C or better by the end of the summer 2017 term;
• will complete their second UC transferable English course with a grade of C or better by the end of the spring 2018 term for fall 2018 admission;
• will complete 60 UC transferable semester units or 90 UC transferable quarter units by the end of the spring 2018 term for fall 2018 admission;
• will complete all major coursework for their chosen major including course prerequisites and minimum course GPA by the end of the spring 2018 term for fall 2018 admission;
• will be in good standing for all colleges attended, and satisfy all UC transfer eligibility requirements;
• will complete the last 30 semester or 45 quarter units at a California Community College by the end of the spring 2018 term for fall 2018 admission.

The following transferable majors do not participate in TAG:
Business Administration, Cognitive Sciences, Dance, Music, and Nursing Science.
Submitting Your Application

Submit your completed application online at ucal.us/apply for fall admission during the November 1-30 filing period along with the application fee of $70 ($80 if you are an international applicant). To see if you are eligible to waive the application fee, apply for a fee waiver online through the UC Application. UCI does not accept applications for winter or spring quarters.

You will need to designate a major on your application. If you have not decided on a major, freshman applicants can apply as an undeclared major. Transfer applicants are required to declare a major.

Students who want to get a head start on preparing their application prior to the November filing period can access the application as early as August 1 at ucal.us/apply.

Personal Insight Questions

Your personal insight questions should be exactly that - personal. This is your opportunity to tell us about yourself, your hopes, ambitions, life experiences, and inspirations. Key points about the personal insight questions include:

- Freshman applicants will choose four out of eight questions to answer
- Transfer applicants will answer one required question and three out of seven additional questions
- Each response is limited to a maximum of 350 words

We encourage you to take your time. Be open, be reflective, and be honest. Your personal insight questions provide context for the rest of your application.

Visit ucal.us/apply for details.
Students demonstrating the need for financial assistance may be eligible for scholarships, grants, loans, and/or work-study. Scholarships can also be awarded on the basis of academic excellence.

**Types of Financial Aid**
- **Grants** are awarded on the basis of financial need and do not have to be repaid.
- **Scholarships** are awarded on the basis of academic criteria, or any combination of academics, financial need, leadership positions, campus or community activities, and work experience. They are designed to reward, encourage, and assist you in pursuing academic excellence and leadership roles.
- **Loans** are money that must be repaid over a period of time, usually after you leave school.
- **Work-study** allows you to gain work experience and earn money to pay for a portion of your educational expenses by working a part-time job. Most jobs are on campus and departments are eager to hire students with work-study awards.

Please visit UCI’s Financial Aid and Scholarships website at www.ofas.uci.edu for detailed information about meeting the cost of your education.

**Applying for Scholarships**
When you apply for admission to UCI, you are also applying for scholarships. You can be eligible automatically for certain scholarships because decisions are based on information provided in your UC Application. However, other scholarship opportunities may require you submit additional documentation. Learn more at admissions.uci.edu/financialaid.

*Federal student loans are available to most students regardless of income and provide a range of repayment options including income-based repayment plans and loan forgiveness benefits, which other education loans are not required to provide.
Blue + Gold Opportunity Plan
UC’s Blue and Gold Opportunity Plan will ensure that you will not have to pay UC’s systemwide tuition and fees out of your own pocket if you are a California resident whose total family income is less than $80,000 a year and you qualify for financial aid – and that’s just for starters. Learn more at universityofcalifornia.edu/blueandgold.

Free Application for Federal Student Aid
To obtain financial aid you must file a FAFSA application. FAFSA is a free application to determine new and continuing students’ eligibility for financial assistance. Visit fafsa.gov for the deadlines and details. The UCI School Code is 001314 – you will need this code for the FAFSA application.

The California Dream Act
The California Dream Act –AB 130 and AB 131– extends eligibility for certain types of institutional and state aid to students who are undocumented or hold a U visa and who qualify for benefits under another California law –AB 540– which exempts students from paying nonresident supplemental tuition. TPS (Temporary Protection Status) students can also qualify for the CA Dream Act. Learn more at dreamers.uci.edu.
Key Dates & Deadlines

Freshman Applicants

AUGUST 1
• UC Application opens at ucal.us/apply for fall 2018 admission and scholarships

NOVEMBER 1-30
• UC Application filing period for fall 2018 admission and scholarships
• Application must be filed no later than November 30. Apply online at ucal.us/apply.

DECEMBER
• Last opportunity for applicants to take the SAT with Essay or ACT with Writing

MARCH 1-31
• UCI notifies freshman applicants of their admission status

Transfer Applicants

AUGUST 1
• UC Application opens at ucal.us/apply for fall 2018 admission and scholarships

SEPTEMBER 1-30
• TAG application submission period for fall 2018 admission
• Apply online at uctap.universityofcalifornia.edu

NOVEMBER 1-30
• UC Application filing period for fall 2018 admission and scholarships
• Application must be filed no later than November 30. Apply online at ucal.us/apply.

APRIL 1-30
• UCI notifies transfer applicants of their admission status
Become an Anteater

Send us your information at admissions.uci.edu/info

Have questions? Contact us by email or phone, or stop by in person.

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