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For more in depth information make sure to keep in contact with your college advisor/counselor. We will keep you informed of all UC updates and application assistance/recommendations. You can also visit the college's website for the maximum amount of information on all aspects of each campus. If you need help navigating the college websites & finding specific information don't hesitate to reach out to your advisor!

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# UC COMPARISON

	UCB	UCD	UCI	UCLA	UCM	UCR	UCSD	UCSB	UCSC
Year Est.	1869	1908	1965	1919	2005	1907	1960	1891	1965
Mascot	Oski the Bear	Gunrock the Aggie	Peter the Anteater	Joe Bruin	Rufus the Bobcat	Scotty the Highlander	King Triton	Ole the Gaucho	Sammy the Banana Slug
Location	NorCal	NorCal	SoCal	SoCal	Central Cal	SoCal	SoCal	Central Coast	Central Coast
Setting	Urban	Suburban	Suburban	Urban	Rural	Suburban	Urban	Suburban	Suburban
System	Semester	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Semester	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter
Student to Faculty Ratio	18:1	20:1	18:1	18:1	19:1	21:1	19:1	18:1	25:1
Total Enrollment	42,347	39,629	36,303	46,000	9,018	26,000+	40,483	26,179	19,161
Acceptance Rate	14.5 %	49%	29%	11%	87%	66%	34%	29%	58%
Average GPA	4.27-4.62	3.95-4.25	4.15	4.36-4.72	3.4-4.0	3.64-4.10	4.07-4.29	4.31	3.99
Most Popular Major	Computer Science	Psychology	Engineering	Biology	Biological & Biomedical Sciences	Business	Biology	Sociology	Computer Science
4 Year Grad Rate	76%	66%	72%	75%	44.6%	62.4%	65%	68%	62%
6 Year Grad Rate	92%	87%	85%	84%	69.3%	77.3%	87.4%	81.5%	76%
Housing Guaranteed for 1st Yrs?	No, priority given to 1st yr applicants	Yes	No	Yes, 3 yr guarantee	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No, priority given to 1st yr applicants

# 2021-2022 Tuition & Fees

	Living on campus	Living off campus
Tuition and fees*	\$14,100	\$14,100
Books and supplies	\$1,300	\$1,300
Health insurance allowance/fee	\$2,700	\$2,700
Room and board	\$17,300	\$14,100
Personal/transportation	\$2,200	\$2,800
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$36,700</b>	<b>\$35,000</b>

\* California resident undergraduates at all UC campuses pay the same \$12,570 in systemwide tuition and fees. The fees figure above includes the average cost of additional campus-based fees. Your total costs will vary depending on your personal expenses and the campus you attend. All fees are subject to change without notice.



# UC Financial Aid

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## Blue and Gold Opportunity Plan:

Covers 100% of UC systemwide tuition and fees for eligible families earning less than \$80,000.

## Middle Class Scholarship Program:

If your family has up to \$171,000 in annual income and assets, and you meet other residency, income and academic requirements, you could have up to 40% of your UC systemwide tuition and fees covered by this scholarship.

## Other Forms of Financial Aid:

Cal Grants

Pell Grant

University Specific Grants

Scholarships

Loans

Complete your FAFSA/CADAA by  
March 2nd !!!

# MAP OF THE UCs





# 13 FACTORS FOR COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW

1. GPA in all completed “A-G” courses
2. Performance in courses beyond the minimum “A-G” requirements.
3. Number of and performance in UC-approved honors, AP, IB Higher Level and transferable college courses.
4. Eligibility in the Local Context (ELC) - Identification of ranking in the top 9% of your high school class at the end of your junior year.
5. Quality of your senior-year - type and number of academic courses in progress or planned.
6. Quality of your academic performance relative to the educational opportunities available in your high school.
7. Outstanding performance in one or more specific subject areas.
8. Outstanding work in one or more special projects in any academic field of study.
9. Improvement in academic performance as demonstrated by GPA and the quality of coursework completed or in progress.
10. Special talents, achievements , leadership experiences, & awards in a particular field, or other significant experiences/achievements that demonstrate the contribution to the intellectual vitality of a campus.
11. Completion of special projects in the context of your HS curriculum or in conjunction with special school events, projects or programs.
12. Academic accomplishments in light of your life experiences and special circumstances.
13. Location of your secondary school and residence.

# UC Berkeley

**NorCal - Berkeley, CA**

The University of California, Berkeley is located in the East Bay about 15 minutes North of Oakland and 40 minutes from Hayward. Many local students choose to commute because of the accessibility to public transportation. Make sure to check out all the food spots around campus, you'll never get bored of eating the same food!



## Admissions

Acceptance Rate: 14.5%  
Avg GPA(wgt): 4.27-4.62  
Transf Accept Rate: 25.3%  
Transf Avg GPA: 3.71-4.00



## Campus Life

# of Students: 42,347  
Campus Size: 1,232 acres  
6 yr Graduation Rate: 92%  
1,200+ student clubs and organizations



## Academics

Popular Majors:  
Computer Science  
Electrical Eng & Comp Sci  
Economics  
New Majors/Minors  
Major - Aerospace Eng

## Facts & Rankings

- NCAA Div 1 - Pac-12 Football Team
- It's a tradition to rub the 4.0 ball to get good grades
- 350+ degree programs
- 26% of students are first-generation
- 70% of all undergrad classes have fewer than 30 students
- #1 public university worldwide



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# UC Davis

## NorCal - Davis, CA

The University of California, Davis is located an hour and a half North of the Bay Area and 20 min South of Sacramento. Known as being a college town, most of the population in Davis are college students. Don't forget your bike when you come to one of the most bicycle friendly campuses in the country and the largest UC campus!



### Admissions

Acceptance Rate: 49%  
Avg GPA: 3.95-4.25  
Transfer Acceptance  
Rate: 51%  
Transfer Avg GPA: 3.47-  
3.88



### Campus Life

# of Students: 39,629  
Campus Size: 3500 acres  
6 yr Graduation Rate: 87%  
800+ student clubs and  
organizations



### Academics

Popular Majors:  
Psychology  
Economics  
Biological Sciences  
New Majors  
Systems & Synthetic Bio  
Human Biology  
Data Science

## Facts & Rankings

- Ranked 1st in the nation in agriculture & veterinary science
- Ranked 12th in the top 100 producers of minority bachelor's degree
- UC Davis has a 3.5 mile loop through their 100 acre Arboretum featuring plants from across the world
- 52% of undergrads graduate without student loan debt



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# UC Los Angeles

## SoCal - Los Angeles, CA

The University of California, Los Angeles is located five and a half South of the Bay Area. Close to the Pacific Ocean and Downtown LA, you'll never be bored here. The university prides itself on a vibrant student body and alumni network that is active in communities around the world. People come here because they want to make the world a better place and their passion becomes a public service to the city, state and the world.



### Admissions

Acceptance Rate: 11%  
Avg GPA(weighted): 4.36-4.72  
Transfer Acceptance Rate: 24%  
Transfer Avg GPA: above a 3.5  
Avg # of H/AP/IB courses: 19-30



### Campus Life

# of Students: 46,000  
Campus Size: 419 acres  
1,200+ clubs and student organizations  
15 workout facilities and 6 pools throughout campus  
New Residence Halls



### Academics

Popular Majors:  
Biology  
Business economics  
Political science  
New Majors/Minors  
Euro Lang & Transcultural Studies  
Central Amer Studies  
Social Data Science  
Scandinavian

- Daily Bruin, top college newspaper in the country
- #9 Top American Research Universities
- MLK Jr. gave his "Segregation Must Die" speech here
- Legally Blonde was filmed here!
- The Internet started at UCLA in 1969

### Facts & Rankings



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# UC Merced

CenCal - Merced, CA

The University of California, Merced is located an hour and a half West of Yosemite and two hours Southeast of the Bay Area. They are known for being the youngest UC, but don't count them out because they are climbing the rankings of campus life and research!



## Admissions

Acceptance Rate: 87%

Avg GPA: 3.4-4.0

Transfer Acceptance Rate: 53%

Transfer Avg GPA: 2.8-3.0

Avg # of A-G courses: 47.56

Avg # of H/AP/IB courses: 11.64



## Campus Life

# of Students: 9,018

Campus Size: 815 acres

200+ clubs & organizations

Outdoor Experience

Program (OEP) learn & experience outdoor activity  
Lake Yosemite is right next to campus



## Academics

Popular Majors:

Biological and Biomed Sci

Engineering

Psychology

New Majors/Minors

Minor - critical race & ethnic studies

Geospatial technology

Material science & eng

## Facts & Rankings

- Ranked #3 Young University
- 1st research university built in the 21st century
- 2 yr on campus housing NO longer required
- Only U.S. university with every building on campus environmentally certified



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# UC Santa Cruz

**CenCoast - Santa Cruz, CA**

The University of California, Santa Cruz is located an hour and a half South of the Bay Area. Located in the redwood forest, it is arguably the most beautiful and relaxing campus of all UCs. They pride themselves on "progressive, bold, fearless education that benefits both the individual and the planet". UCSC combines the intimacy of a small, liberal arts college with the depth and rigor of a major research university.



## Admissions

Acceptance Rate: 58%  
Avg GPA: 3.99  
Transfer Acceptance  
Rate: 58.5%  
Transfer Avg GPA: n/a



## Campus Life

# of Students: 19,161  
Campus Size: 2,000 acres  
~200 student organizations  
Between scenic beaches &  
the redwood forests



## Academics

Popular Majors:  
Computer Science  
Psychology  
Film & Digital Media  
New Majors/Minors  
Minor-Spanish Studies  
B.A./M.A. Pathways  
21 Accel. 3 yr Pathways

## Facts & Rankings

- No. 3 public university in the nation for "making an impact"
- 25% of produce served in dining halls is organic, with much of it coming from local providers
- 80% of UCSC Students Receive Financial Aid
- Campus emphasis on Social Justice, Environmental



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# UC San Diego

SoCal - La Jolla, CA

The University of California, San Diego is the southernmost campus of all UCs, located eight hours South of the Bay Area. In the second largest city in California your hardest decision will be narrowing down what to do/explore. Last year it was the second most applied to university in the U.S.! Make sure to check out Dr. Seuss' stamp throughout campus.



## Admissions

Acceptance Rate: 34%  
Avg GPA: 4.07-4.29  
Transfer Acceptance Rate: 54%  
Transfer Avg GPA: 3.47-3.88  
Avg # of A-G courses: 50.5  
Avg # of H/AP/IB courses: 15.5



## Campus Life

# of Students: 40,483  
Campus Size: 1,976 acres  
500+ student organization  
10 min to the beach  
77 degrees all summer



## Academics

Popular Majors:  
Biology  
Mathematics  
Economics  
New Majors/Minors  
Black Diaspora & African Amer Studies  
Public Health w/ 3 Conc.

## Facts & Rankings

- #4 public college in the West
- Triton Trolley Station gives you access to all San Diego
- One of the top 20 research universities in the world
- Top surfing school in the nation
- Houses the largest collection of Dr. Seuss items in the world



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# UC Riverside

SoCal- Riverside, CA

The University of California, Riverside is located seven hours South of the Bay Area in the heart of the Inland Empire. Experience the SoCal warm weather and vibe, but with a slower pace. UCR prides themselves on their diversity and inclusivity. They were the first college in CA to open a staffed LGBT resource center & 1st UC to offer a LGBT minor studies program.



## Admissions

Acceptance Rate: 66%  
Avg GPA: 3.64-4.10  
Transfer Acceptance  
Rate: 67%  
Transfer Avg GPA: n/a



## Campus Life

# of Students: 26,000+  
Campus Size: 1,200 acres  
500+ student organizations  
1 hr from popular SoCal  
attractions  
Gender-neutral housing  
option



## Academics

Popular Majors:  
Business  
Research & Experimental  
Psychology  
Biology  
New Majors/Minors  
Business B.S./M.S. (5 yr prgm)

## Facts & Rankings

- No. 1 In list of the Top Performers on Social Mobility
- UCR is one of the TOP 50 Green Colleges in the nation
- 76% of students' financial aid need was met with need-based aid.
- The average salary for UCR graduates is \$69,000
- UCR enrolls the highest % of African American students & second highest percentage of Latinx students of all UCs



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# UC Irvine

## SoCal - Irvine, CA

The University of California, Irvine is located seven hours South of the Bay Area. They are close to the beaches, mountains, and attractions of Southern California . The campus is shaped as a rough circle & at the center is a park where you can relax & destress. UCI is also one of the few UCs that offer a nursing science major!



### Admissions

Acceptance Rate: 29%  
Avg GPA: 4.15  
Transfer Acceptance  
Rate: 37.8%  
Transfer Avg GPA: 3.80



### Campus Life

# of Students: 36,303  
Campus Size: 1,475 acres  
5 mi. to beach /15 mi. to  
Disneyland  
20+ on-campus cafes &  
restaurants  
600+ student organizations



### Academics

Popular Majors:  
Engineering  
Computer Science  
Business Administration  
New Majors/Minors  
n/a

## Facts & Rankings

- 281 sunny days per year
- Building new medical center on campus
- 48% of UCI undergrads self-identify as first-generation
- Themed residence hall for gamers and those interested in video games – The Guild



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# UC Santa Barbara

**CenCoast - Santa Barbara, CA**

The University of California, Santa Barbara is a politically active campus located five and a half hours South of the Bay Area on cliffs directly above the Pacific Ocean. They are one of the few universities in the U.S. with their own beach! You won't want to miss Extravaganza, where past performers include: E-40, Snoop Dogg, Drake, Nas & more!



## Admissions

Acceptance Rate: 29%

Avg GPA: 4.31

Transfer Acceptance

Rate: 49%

Transfer Avg GPA: 3.76



## Campus Life

# of Students: 26,179

Campus Size: 989 acres

500+ student organizations

Beach on Campus



## Academics

Popular Majors:

Sociology

Economics

Research & Experimental

Psychology

New Majors/Minors

n/a

## Facts & Rankings

- Offers a \$750 grant to fund your own research!
- Just opened the Office of Black Student Development
- #5 public university
- It's tradition to toss tortillas on the field at soccer games
- Extravaganza is an annual free campus music festival



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