

COST OF ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

WHO GETS UNDERGRADUATE AID AT UCLA?

63% receive UCLA Financial Aid

68% of students graduate with no loan debt

100% of families earning less than \$80K pay no tuition

Estimated Costs for Academic Year 2023–2024 (all fees are subject to change)

Living in a Residence Hall*	
University Fees	\$14,478
Food & Housing	\$17,148
Books, Course Materials, Supplies, and Equipment	\$1,574
Transportation	\$704
Personal	\$1,655
Health Insurance†	\$2,958
Total - CA Residents	\$38,517
Nonresident Supplemental Tuition	\$32,574
Total - Nonresidents	\$71,091

Financial status is not taken into account when reviewing applications for admission. Professionals in the Financial Aid and Scholarships office are dedicated to helping you make UCLA affordable. To keep UCLA affordable, we offer financial aid for housing - as well as an array of housing options and meal plans - so that you have the flexibility for room and board costs. For more information on how to make UCLA affordable, see: admission.ucla.edu/tuition-aid. UCLA also offers payment plan options for both tuition and housing so that families can make smaller, regular tuition payments throughout the academic year instead of larger, lump-sum payments.

*Nearly 100% of all freshmen students live on campus. For estimated cost for students living off-campus or commuting from home, see admission.ucla.edu/tuition-aid/tuition-fees.

†The UC SHIP health insurance requirement and fees can be waived if a student already has adequate insurance coverage.

CALIFORNIA RESIDENCE

Students admitted as non-residents will generally have non-resident status for their entire undergraduate education at UCLA. UC Residence Guidelines are published by the UC Office of General Counsel and are applied throughout the University of California system, including UCLA.

TYPES OF FINANCIAL AID

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) can be filed starting December. The UCLA priority deadline for FAFSA filing is March 2. Students who submit their application after this priority deadline will have reduced eligibility for aid. Based on your FAFSA and other information you submit, UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships will determine your eligibility for a variety of funding options, including scholarships, grants, work-study programs and loans. AB540 eligible students who are not citizens or permanent residents can apply for aid via the Dream Act application with the same priority deadline of March 2.

The UCLA Scholarship Resource Center is available to help you identify scholarships for which you are qualified. Other resources, including community service organizations in your hometown, faith-based groups and your high school career/college counseling center are options to explore. An online search will reveal various websites and databases dedicated to helping you locate the best scholarship opportunities. For information about searching for UCLA scholarships for first-year students and other outside scholarships, please review our Scholarship Resource Center website at: www.scholarshipcenter.ucla.edu.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

- August 1:** Application opens for Fall 2024
- December:** Filing period opens for Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and Dream Act Application for all applicants
- October 1–November 30:** Application filing period
UCLA does not offer early action/early decision
- March 2:** Priority deadline for applicants to submit financial aid application (FAFSA), Dream Act, and Cal Grant GPA verification forms
- Late March:** Admission notification (freshman)
- May 1:** Deadline to submit your enrollment deposit and applications for on-campus housing
- July 1:** Official transcripts due for students who accepted offer of admission

CONTACT INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

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LET'S STAY CONNECTED

Get on our list to receive more information about UCLA, academics, student life and much more! To sign-up, go to: admission.ucla.edu/getconnected



As a land grant institution, UCLA acknowledges the Gabrielino/Tongva peoples as the traditional land caretakers of Tovaangar (Los Angeles basin, Southern Channel Islands).

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Freshman Applicants

YOUR GUIDE TO APPLYING

YOUR FUTURE **IS** BRUIN

At the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), we welcome applications from students across the nation and around the world.

At UCLA, we seek students who have excelled academically and bring their own distinctive stories and rich experiences that make the undergraduate experience here so special. Without a doubt, our greatness comes from the variety of experiences and backgrounds that students like yourself bring to our campus community. In the fall, freshman students from over 60 countries and nearly all 50 states enrolled at UCLA. Located in Westwood Village, about five miles from the beach cities of Santa Monica and Venice and approximately 13 miles from downtown Los Angeles, we pride ourselves as a research university with a long tradition of academic and research excellence.

For over a century, UCLA has educated future leaders for every endeavor—from academia to the arts, from private industry to public service. As a UCLA graduate, you will join esteemed alumni who earn high rates of admission to the world's top graduate and professional schools, and are well prepared for service to society.

UCLA's College of Letters and Science and seven professional schools – Arts and Architecture; Engineering and Applied Sciences; Music; Nursing; Public Affairs; Theater, Film and Television; and School of Education & Information Studies – feature renowned faculty and offer over 125 majors and over 90 minors. We invite you explore and learn about the opportunities awaiting you as an undergraduate student here at UCLA.

FALL 2023 ADMIT PROFILE*

145,899
Applications

3.95
Average G.P.A. unweighted

9%
Acceptance Rate

27%
of freshman (domestic) are first-generation college students

33%
of freshman (domestic) are from underrepresented backgrounds

*Fall 2023 Admit figures as of mid-summer.



ACADEMIC PREPARATION

Applicants are expected to have completed these *minimum requirements*:

- 2 years history/social science
- 4 years of college-preparatory English
- 3 years of mathematics (4 years recommended)
- 2 years of laboratory science (3 years recommended)
- 2 years of language other than English (3 years recommended)
- 1 year of visual and performing arts (if available)
- 1 year of college-preparatory elective

We understand that UCLA's subject requirements may be difficult for some applicants to meet due to differences in school curricula. All applications for admission are reviewed within the context of courses available to them. If a particular required subject is not available, we will consider your application without it. **There is no single academic path that we expect all students to follow, but the strongest applicants take the most rigorous high school curriculum available to them.** Please feel free to contact UCLA Undergraduate Admission if you have any questions about the subject requirements.

STANDARDIZED TESTING

UCLA does not consider SAT or ACT scores for admission or scholarship purposes. All applications will be reviewed holistically based on the criteria approved by our faculty through comprehensive review, including grades, curriculum, activities/leadership/involvement, and the personal insight questions, just to name a few. Demonstration of English proficiency is still required for international students through TOEFL, Duolingo English Test (DET), or IELTS scores.

HOW WE REVIEW OUR APPLICANTS

All applications are reviewed in a consistent manner and **all achievements – both academic and nonacademic/personal – are considered in the context of your educational circumstances**, with an emphasis on the opportunities or challenges presented to you and your response to them.

No single attribute or characteristic guarantees the admission of any applicant to UCLA.

All applications are reviewed twice by two separate/independent admission professionals.

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The UC application is designed for students to self-advocate and we welcome information applicants think might be helpful in understanding their accomplishments within their school communities. Additional information about the school(s) you have attended can be included in the "academic comments" section of your application.

Letters of recommendations are not accepted and interviews are not offered. In some instances, they may be required as part of the supplemental applications for School of Arts & Architecture, School of Music, School of Nursing and School of Theater, Film & Television.

There is no formula for gaining admission to UCLA. There is no minimum GPA and no single attribute or characteristic that guarantees the admission of any applicant. Students with vastly different credentials come from thousands of high schools across the country and around the world. What unifies our students are the talents they bring to UCLA and their passion to explore all that UCLA has to offer.

The review focuses on consistent and ongoing participation in extracurricular activities, community service, special programs, and paid employment, **with an emphasis on leadership, initiative, and tenacity.** We also consider the contributions that students have made to their school or community.

UCLA **does not consider "demonstrated interest"** as part of the application review process. Visiting campus, attending information sessions, reaching out to representatives is a great way of learning more about UCLA; however we do not track student's interest and it will not affect the review of your application.

GENERAL APPLICATION TIPS

- The University of California's online application (**UC Application**) is used to apply to UCLA and all UC campuses. Find the application at: www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply.
- All academic and non-academic information, plus personal insight question answers, are reported via the online UC application. UCLA uses self-reported academic information when making the preliminary assessment of your application for admission. In completing your application, you will be asked to list all courses and grades from all schools and colleges you have attended. Complete the educational history section of the application exactly as it appears on your school records.
- **We guarantee review of first-choice majors only.**
- **Applicants to The College will be asked to select a major of choice; however, applicants who have not yet selected a major are welcome to apply with an "undeclared" status.**
- The Samueli School of Engineering admits students by major (including Undeclared). Students applying to Engineering may select an alternate major, within Engineering.
- Applicants to the School of Arts and Architecture; Music; Nursing; and Theater, Film and Television will receive additional information regarding the respective school's supplemental application following the submission of your UC application.
- Transcripts are not required at the time that you submit your application. Official transcripts will be required after a student has been admitted.
- **Deadline for changing majors:** November 30 is the deadline for changing to any major in the schools of the Arts and Architecture, Music, Nursing or Theater, Film and Television. January 31 is the deadline for changing to any major in the College or Samueli School of Engineering.
- UCLA requests that you report all changes in your high school academic record as well as any changes in your mailing address that occur after you submit your application. You will receive information on how to do this following the submission of your application.
- There is no preference on when you submit your application during filing period.

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PERSONAL INSIGHT QUESTIONS

The University's Personal Insight Questions are about getting to know you better - your life experience, interests, ambitions, and inspirations. Find your individual voice and express it. Each response is limited to a maximum of 350 words and you must select 4 out of the 8 questions. Which questions you choose to answer is entirely up to you. You should select the questions that are most relevant to your experience and that best reflect your individual circumstances. If you need additional help on how to address these questions, please refer to the "Worksheet for Freshman Applicants" on the University of California website (<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu>)

- 1 Describe an example of your leadership experience in which you have positively influenced others, helped resolve disputes or contributed to group efforts over time.
- 2 Every person has a creative side, and it can be expressed in many ways: problem solving, original and innovative thinking, and artistically, to name a few. Describe how you express your creative side.
- 3 What would you say is your greatest talent or skill? How have you developed and demonstrated that talent over time?
- 4 Describe how you have taken advantage of a significant educational opportunity or worked to overcome an educational barrier you have faced.
- 5 Describe the most significant challenge you have faced and the steps you have taken to overcome this challenge. How has this challenge affected your academic achievement?
- 6 Think about an academic subject that inspires you. Describe how you have furthered this interest inside and/or outside of the classroom.
- 7 What have you done to make your school or your community a better place?
- 8 Beyond what has already been shared in your application, what do you believe makes you stand out as a strong candidate for admissions to the University of California?