

TAG INFORMATION

TRANSFER ADMISSION GUARANTEE

What is TAG?

A TAG is a formal written agreement between you and the University of California that guarantees your admission as a junior for a specified term at ONE of the six participating UC campuses. The TAG agreement outlines the courses you must complete before transfer, the GPA you must earn, and specific requirements for selected UCs and majors.

Participating UC's

- UC Davis
- UC Irvine
- UC Merced
- UC Riverside
- UC Santa Barbara
- UC Santa Cruz

Students are encouraged to make a counseling appointment to find out transfer requirements for schools that do not offer TAG – UC Berkeley, UCLA, and UC San Diego.

Review TAG Requirements by Campus

Go to admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/ and under the "Requirements" tab at the top, click "UC Transfer Programs." Then click "Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)" on the right side of the page. Review the TAG criteria for the UC you're considering by clicking on its name in the box titled "TAG by Campus."

Steps to Apply

Step 1: Compete the Transfer Admissions Planner (TAP).

It is recommended to start this your first semester. Go to uctap.universityofcalifornia.edu. It's also the best way to stay up to date on UC news and events.

Step 2: Submit your TAG application online for your intended transfer term.

TAG applications will need to be submitted by September 30 for the fall term, or May 31 for the winter/spring term. Remember, if you miss the TAG deadline, you can still apply to UC during the regular application period (fall: October 1-November 30; winter/spring: July 1-31).

Step 3: Apply for admission to UC.

Go to www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply. Make sure you submit your application between October 1-November 30 for the fall term and between July 1-31 for the winter/spring term.

TAG Tips

Tip 1: Work closely with your Sierra College counselor.

See a counselor at least once a semester to make sure you are taking the correct courses and meeting all TAG requirements for your destination school. You should also meet with them just before submitting for a final review.

Tip 2: Start collecting unofficial transcripts from all colleges you have attended and AP scores if applicable.

You will need to report ALL the colleges you have attended and all grades, including W's, F's, non-transferable courses, repeated courses, and academic renewal courses. Failure to report can result in a termination of your TAG, even after you've been offered admission!

Tip 3: Connect with your local university representative.

It's a good idea to check in with your local university representative to make sure you're on the right track to transfer with a TAG. Not sure who your local rep is? Contact us at (916) 660–7481.

Important Notes

If your TAG is approved:

You will need to complete all remaining coursework and GPA requirements as specified in your TAG agreement with the UC.

If your TAG is denied:

See your Sierra College counselor right away to explore options. If you don't meet TAG requirements, you may still be eligible to apply to the UC as a regular transfer student.

Check with your Sierra College counselor before you make any schedule changes:

They may impact your TAG status. Do this even if you believe the change is minor. You should also notify your local university admissions representative. Not sure who that is? Contact Career and Transfer Connections.