



UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS

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TRANSFER ADMISSION GUARANTEE (TAG) CRITERIA - UC DAVIS

Agreements written for the Academic Year 2008-2009

I) Special Notes

- A) A Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) may be prepared and signed up to one year before a student enrolls at UC Davis. An agreement must be completed and received at UC Davis before the TAG contract limits are reached.
- B) Transcripts from each college or university in which the student has enrolled or attended must be sent with the TAG to be reviewed by the UC Davis representative (unofficial copies are acceptable). Students must self-report test scores from Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) Higher Level Examinations, if they were taken, on the TAG form.
- C) If a student has attended a college or university outside of the United States, course descriptions for all courses must be forwarded with the international transcript. The correct name and address of each international school must be reported. Word-for-word English translations are required.
- D) TAGs may be written for California community college (CCC) students who will complete at least 60 semester (90 quarter) transferable units by the end of spring 2008, regardless of their UC eligibility at the time of high school graduation.
- E) TAGs may be written after students have completed at least 30 semester (45 quarter) transferable units. Students who have completed fewer than 30 semester (45 quarter) units at the time TAGs are written do not qualify for a TAG. These students should apply for admission through the regular application process.
- F) To qualify for a TAG for fall 2008, all specific courses required for UC eligibility (such as English and mathematics), all specific courses required for admission into selective UC Davis majors (such as calculus for the Biological Sciences major) and 60 transferable semester (90 quarter) transferable units must be completed by the end of spring 2008. Summer session may not be used to complete courses required for admission.
- G) The TAG assumes that students have met prerequisite courses, especially in the areas of English and mathematics. UC may request additional documentation regarding how prerequisites were satisfied.
- H) The minimum overall grade point average (GPA) for transferable work required for a TAG varies by college. The College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences is 2.80. A minimum GPA of 2.90 for transferable work is required for the College of Letters and Science and the College of Biological Sciences. The College of Engineering's minimum GPA for transferable work is 3.10. Students must have these GPAs at the time their TAG is written and must maintain them throughout the remainder of their transfer work with no grade below a "C." See the criteria listed in Section III for specific major minimum GPAs.
- I) A student with a TAG must submit the *UC Application for Undergraduate Admission & Scholarships* on time during the initial application filing period for the term the TAG is written.

- J) Students must use their full legal name on the contract, and on the undergraduate admission application. This name must match the name appearing on community college records. Consistent use of the name is critical – they must be consistent in the spelling and may not use suffixes, e.g. Jr., III.

II) Definition of a CCC Student for the TAG Program

Transfer Admission Guarantees (TAGs) are intended for people who are established students at California community colleges (CCCs). The following provisions must be met to qualify as a CCC student for the TAG program:

- A) The student must be enrolled full time at the TAG college when the agreement is written (exceptions are possible for part-time students, see item F below).
- B) A student may not be enrolled simultaneously at a CCC and a baccalaureate institution when the TAG is written. After the TAG is written, a student may not attend a baccalaureate institution until enrolled at UC Davis.
- C) A student may not be working toward high school graduation while simultaneously enrolled at a CCC.
- D) A student who was enrolled at a baccalaureate institution before enrolling at a CCC may have a TAG if all other provisions of the definition of a CCC student have been met and if the person does not have a baccalaureate or higher level degree. The student must have fewer than 80 semester (120 quarter) transferable units of combined baccalaureate institution and community college work. The “80 semester unit” rule does not apply to students who have completed all of their college courses at community colleges.
- E) A student must be enrolled full time at the TAG college during the fall, winter or spring term just prior to enrolling at UC Davis, unless the student is not attending school anywhere that term. Exceptions for part-time enrollment are possible. See Item F.
- F) The UC Davis representative, in consultation with the CCC counselor and the student, has the sole discretion to make exceptions to these provisions for good cause. An example of "good cause" would be a student's need to attend school part time because he/she is employed. There are many acceptable reasons for a student to be enrolled part time and still qualify for a TAG.

TAGs will be rescinded for students who do not conform to these provisions.

III) TAG Criteria

As a general guide, students should concentrate on meeting eligibility requirements for admission to the University of California and on completing lower-division preparatory courses for their intended majors at UC Davis. Specific requirements for certain majors are listed below.

- A) COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
 - 1) TAGs may be written for students who will meet UC eligibility requirements and complete at least 60 semester (90 quarter) transferable units by the end of spring 2008, and have an overall transfer GPA of at least 2.80. Students must have this GPA at the time the TAG is written and must maintain it throughout the remainder of their transfer work. A student must take courses equivalent to those listed below if they are offered at the CCC. Courses not offered at the CCC must be completed after enrolling at UC Davis. TAGs may be written using these criteria for all majors except Biotechnology and Viticulture and Enology. See the items below for the specific criteria for those majors. Note that all courses required for these selective majors must be completed by the end of spring 2008. Also, see the information below for Landscape Architecture (Pre-) and Managerial Economics (Pre-). These majors are not selective for admission but require that students follow instructions to move into the full majors after enrolling at UC Davis. TAGs may not be written for the Undeclared/Exploratory category.
 - 2) TAGs are available for our new major, Agricultural and Environmental Education. This non-selective major serves those interested in teaching agricultural and environmental sciences in schools or in non-formal settings such as nature preserves, environmental camps, or other venues. This major prepares graduates to direct programs in the agricultural sciences as well as provides them with a skill set necessary to work within social science careers related to these fields. This program of study meets state and federal

requirements for teacher preparation in agriculture and science, as well as requirements in career technical education.

3) BIOTECHNOLOGY

TAGs may be written in Biotechnology for students who meet the criteria listed in Item 1 and who meet the following additional criteria:

- (a) Mathematics 16A, B *or* Mathematics 21A, B
Students must have a GPA of at least 2.50 for this group of courses, with no grade less than “C.”
- (b) Chemistry 2A, B, C
Students must have a GPA of at least 2.50 for this group of courses, with no grade less than “C.”
- (c) Biological Sciences 1A *or* 1B *or* 1C
If students complete only one Biological Science course, they must earn a “B” grade or better. We strongly recommend that students complete the entire series. If students complete two or three Biological Science courses, they must earn an overall GPA of 2.50 or better among these courses, with no grade less than “C.”
- (d) It is strongly recommended that students complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses with a GPA of at least 2.50 or better among these courses, with no grade less than “C” for the group:
Organic Chemistry 8A, B *or* 118A, B, C

4) LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE (PRE-)

TAGs may be written in Pre-Landscape Architecture for students who meet the criteria listed in Item 1 and who comply with the following additional criteria:

- (a) Students who wish to major in Landscape Architecture must arrange their TAGs for “Pre-Landscape Architecture.” Admission to UC Davis does not guarantee admission to the Landscape Architecture major. Students apply in the “Landscape Architecture (Pre-)” category of the UC application.
- (b) Students submit a portfolio application to the Landscape Architecture program in February before or after enrollment at UC Davis. Contact the Landscape Architecture Advising Office at (530) 754-8628 for details about the portfolio.

5) MANAGERIAL ECONOMICS (PRE-)

TAGs may be written in Pre-Managerial Economics for students who meet the criteria listed in Item 1 and who comply with the following additional criteria:

- (a) Students who wish to major in Managerial Economics must arrange their TAGs for “Pre-Managerial Economics.” Admission to UC Davis does not guarantee admission to the Managerial Economics major. Students apply in the “Managerial Economics (Pre-)” category of the UC application.
- (b) Completion of and performance in prerequisite courses is critical in determining acceptance to the Managerial Economics major following admission to UC Davis. After completing your first quarter at UC Davis, you may petition the department for admission to the major. You must receive a letter grade in each course and only the first repeat of any pre-major course will be considered in your petition review.
- (c) For entrance to the Managerial Economics major, students must complete the following courses with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.80:
Economics 1A, 1B;
Statistics 13;
Mathematics 16A and 16B *or* Mathematics 21A and 21B
The courses listed above may be completed at a community college or at UC Davis.

6) VITICULTURE AND ENOLOGY

TAGs may be written in Viticulture and Enology for students who meet the criteria listed in Item 1 and who meet the following additional criteria:

- (a) Complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses with a GPA of at least 3.00 for the group of courses, with no grade less than "C":
 - General Chemistry 2A, B, C;
 - Organic Chemistry 8A;
 - Mathematics 16A;
 - Physics 1A, 1B *or* Physics 7A;
 - Biological Sciences 1A
- (b) It is strongly recommended that students complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses; if taken, the student must have a GPA of at least 3.00 with no grade less than "C" for the group of courses:
 - Organic Chemistry 8B;
 - Mathematics 16B;
 - Biological Sciences 1C

B) COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

TAGs may only be written for fall quarter only in any Engineering major, with the exception of Computational Applied Science. Applicants to the College of Engineering must meet the following criteria:

- 1) Students must complete at least 60 semester (90 quarter) transferable units including all UC eligibility requirements by the end of spring 2008. The College of Engineering continues to require that each student must complete all the lower-division requirements for the specific major by the end of spring term prior to fall enrollment at UC Davis. The College of Engineering will honor all engineering articulations as they currently exist on www.assist.org. See your Articulation Officer or the Web site engineering.ucdavis.edu/pages/future_students/transfer_agreements.html for the College of Engineering's "Transfer Credit Agreement" (the "Engineering grid") that lists the courses required for each Engineering major. Do not submit an Engineering TAG unless a student will complete all required courses before enrolling at UC Davis.

- 2) Students must have the following cumulative GPAs at the time TAGs are written and must maintain them throughout the remainder of their transfer work:

Aeronautical Science and Engineering	3.10
Biochemical Engineering	3.10
Biological Systems Engineering	3.10
Biomedical Engineering	3.10
Chemical Engineering	3.10
Chemical Engineering/Materials Science and Engineering	3.10
Civil Engineering	3.10
Computational Applied Science	CLOSED
Computer Engineering	3.10
Computer Science and Engineering	3.10
Electrical Engineering	3.10
Electrical Engineering/Materials Science and Engineering	3.10
Materials Science and Engineering	3.10
Mechanical Engineering	3.10
Mechanical Engineering/Materials Science and Engineering	3.10
Optical Science and Engineering	3.10

C) COLLEGE OF LETTERS AND SCIENCE

- 1) TAGs may be written for students who will complete at least 60 semester (90 quarter) transferable units and meet UC eligibility requirements by the end of spring 2008 and have an overall transfer GPA of at least 2.90. Students must have this GPA when TAGs are written and must maintain it throughout the remainder of their transfer work. A student must take courses equivalent to those listed below if they are offered at a CCC. Courses not offered at a CCC must be completed after enrolling at UC Davis. TAGs may be written using these criteria for all majors except Communication, International Relations, and Psychology. These majors require additional criteria as listed below.

- 2) COMMUNICATION

TAGs may be written in Communication for students who meet the criteria listed in Item 1 and who meet the following additional criteria:

Complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.00 for this group of courses with no grade less than "C." Students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.00 for the group of courses that have been completed when the TAG is written. Students must maintain that GPA throughout the remainder of their transfer work in the required group of courses:

Anthropology 4 *or* Linguistics 1;
Psychology 1;
Sociology 1;
Statistics 13

3) INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

TAGs may be written in International Relations for students who meet the criteria listed in Item 1 and who meet the following additional criteria:

- (a) Complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.00 for this group of courses with no grade less than "C." Students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.00 for the group of courses that have been completed when the TAG is written. Students must maintain that GPA throughout the remainder of their transfer work for the required group of courses:
Economics 1B;
Economics 1A *or* Anthropology 2;
History 4C *or* History 10C;
International Relations 1 *or* Political Science 3;
Statistics 13 *or* Sociology 46B

4) PSYCHOLOGY

TAGs may be written in Psychology for students who meet the criteria listed in Item 1 and who meet the following additional criteria:

- (a) Complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.80 for this group of courses, with no grade less than "C":
Psychology 1;
Psychology 41;
Statistics 13;
Biological Science 1A
or
Biological Science 10 *and* one course from:
Anthropology 1
Molecular and Cellular Biology 10
Neurobiology, Physiology, and Behavior 10
- (b) Complete one transferable course in Sociology *or* Cultural Anthropology.
- (c) Students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.80 for the group of courses listed in *a.* and *b.* that have been completed when the TAG is written. Students must maintain that GPA throughout the remainder of their transfer work for the required group of courses.

D) COLLEGE OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

- 1) TAGs may be written in all majors (Biochemistry and Molecular Biology; Biological Sciences; Cell Biology; Evolution, Ecology and Biodiversity; Exercise Biology; Genetics; Microbiology; Neurobiology, Physiology and Behavior; and Plant Biology) for students who will complete at least 60 semester (90 quarter) transferable units and meet UC eligibility requirements by the end of spring 2008 and have an overall transfer GPA of at least 2.90. Students must have this GPA at the time the TAG is written and must maintain it throughout the remainder of their transfer work. A student must take courses equivalent to those listed below if they are offered at a CCC. Courses not offered at a CCC must be completed after enrolling at UC Davis. In addition, students must complete work comparable to the following UC Davis courses by the end of spring 2008:

- (a) Mathematics 16A, B, C *or* Mathematics 21A, B, C
Students must have a GPA of at least 2.50 for this group of courses, with no grade less than "C."

- (b) Chemistry 2A, B, C
Students must have a GPA of at least 2.50 for this group of courses, with no grade less than “C.”
- (c) Biological Sciences 1A *or* 1B *or* 1C
If students complete only one Biological Science course, they must earn a “B” grade or better. We strongly recommend that students complete the entire series. If students complete two or three Biological Science courses, they must earn an overall GPA of 2.50 or better among these courses, with no grade less than “C.”
- (d) It is strongly recommended that students complete courses comparable to the following UC Davis courses with a GPA of at least 2.50 for the group:
Organic Chemistry 8A, B *or* 118A, B, C

IV) TAG Limitations

TAGs are not acceptable for:

- Students who have baccalaureate degrees.
- Former UC students who left the University not in good academic standing.
- Former UC Davis students (exclusive of UC Davis summer session).
- Students who have completed 80 semester (120 quarter) or more transferable units of combined community college and baccalaureate institution credit (not counting units from Advanced Placement [AP] tests or International Baccalaureate [IB] Higher Level Examinations). The “80 semester unit” rule does not apply to students who have completed all of their college courses at community colleges.