University of California

www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply

The UC Application: Opens October 1st - Closes November 30th.

UC Los Angeles

UC Irvine

UC Santa Barbara

UC Davis

UC Merced

UC Berkeley

UC San Diego

UC Santa Cruz

UC Riverside

You will submit.

- \$70 Application fee for each
- Submit your application and personal

statement only

Highly Competitive:

UCLA

UC Berkeley

UC Irvine

Middle Range:

UC Santa Barbara

UC San Diego

UC Davis

Competitive:

UC Santa Cruz

UC Riverside

UC Merced

The 13 factors the UC System weighs:

- 1.Grade Point Average
- 2.Performance in and number of courses beyond minimum a-g requirements
- 3. UC approved honors courses and advanced courses
- 4. Eligibility in the local context (ELC) CA residents only
- 5. Quality of senior year program of study
- 6. Academic opportunities in California high schools
- 7. Outstanding performance in one or more academic subject areas
- 8. Achievements in special projects
- 9. Improvement in academic performance
- 10. Special talents, achievements, and awards
- 11. Participation in educational preparation programs.
- 12. Academic accomplishments in light of life experiences
- 13. Geographic location

No single factor determines admission.

Essays: You must respond to only 4 of the 8 questions. Each response is limited to a maximum of 350 words.

- 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.

California State University

http://www2.calstate.edu/apply

The CSU Application: Opens October 1st - Closes November 30th

CSU Bakersfield

CSU Channel Islands

Chico State

CSU Dominguez Hills

CSU East Bay

Fresno State

CSU Fullerton

Humboldt State

CSU Long Beach

CSU Los Angeles

Cal Maritime

CSU Monterey Bay

CSU Northridge

Cal Poly Pomona

Sacramento State

CSU San Bernardino

San Diego State

San Francisco State

San Jose State

Cal Poly San Luis Obispo

CSU San Marcos

Sonoma State

CSU Stanislaus

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Most Competitive/Impacted Campuses

- CSU Long Beach
- CSU Fullerton
- San Diego State University
- Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
- Fresno State University
- San Jose State University

Not Impacted: All California Students

- CSU Bakersfield
- CSU Easy Bay
- CSU Maritime Academy
- CSU Stanislaus
- San Francisco State University

Note: Meeting the minimum scores for competitive campuses does not guarantee admissions. Admission is offered to those with the highest overall scores and are affected by choice of major. Popular majors such as Nursing, Engineering, Biology, Criminal Justice and Psychology are more impacted.

EOP: Educational Opportunity Program

This program provides admission and academic assistance to EOP eligible undergraduate students. In many cases, the program offers financial assistance to eligible students. Campuses tailor their programs to accommodate the needs of their student population. For more information:

http://www.calstate.edu/sas/eop/