



UNIVERSITY
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

PURSuing EXCELLENCE
TOGETHER

Class of 2022- Senior Parent Night



➤ Senior Letter & Dates

➤ Senior Transition

- Google Classroom- Scholarship list,
College Rep visits



Important Dates

- Financial Aid Night
 - 5:30 PM- Virtual
 - Zoom Link Emailed
 - CSU Admission Website Submission
 - FAFSA Open For Submission
 - UC Admission Website Submission
 - Yearbook Grad Ad Deadline
 - Order online at:
<https://www.jostens.com/apps/jcom/router.mvc?affiliateId=1434506>
 - AP Testing
 - Senior Awards Ceremony
 - Senior Graduation Ceremony
- September 29th, 2021
- Oct. 1st-Nov. 30th 2021
- October 1st 2021
- November 1st-30th 2021
- February 10, 2022
- May 2nd-13th 2022
- May 16th 2022
- May 27th 2022



College Process

- What might be a good fit for one student, may not be a good fit for another student.
- What college is best for your student?
 - A big school or a small school?
 - Community College
 - In state or out of state
 - Do you meet their admissions criteria?
 - Financial Fit
 - Do they offer your major/degree?
 - Lots to consider!

A good “fit” is a college where a student will be engaged – in class and out – by what the college has to offer.



College Process

Types of Schools

Safety/Likely

- Very Qualified
- Confident of Acceptance
- Willing to attend if admitted

Possible/Target

- Qualifications have been met
- Fairly certain of acceptance
- Willing to attend if admitted

Dream/Reach

- May be qualified/ highly competitive
- Low acceptance rate
- Would love to attend if admitted

Apply Broadly



Engagement is the key...

1. **TAKING A COURSE** with a professor who makes learning exciting.
2. **WORKING WITH PROFESSORS** who care about students personally.
3. **FINDING A MENTOR** who encourages students to pursue personal goals.
4. **WORKING ON A PROJECT** across several semesters.
5. **PARTICIPATING IN AN INTERNSHIP** that applies classroom learning.
6. **BEING ACTIVE IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.**

*The students who benefit the most from college are those who are most engaged in their academics and campus communities, taking advantage of the opportunities and resources their particular institution provides.
Engagement is the key.*

(Gallup Inc., 2014)



Colleges/Universities

Colleges and Universities

- University of California (UC)
- California State University (CSU)
- Private/Out-of state Universities & Colleges
- California Community Colleges (CCC)



UC & CSU system

CSU The California State University

THE 23 OUTSTANDING CAMPUSES OF THE CSU



**UNIVERSITY
OF
CALIFORNIA
UC**



A-G Requirements

- a. History/Social Science - 2 years required
- b. English - 4 years required
- c. Mathematics - 3 years required, 4 years recommended
- d. Lab Science - 2 years required, 3 years recommended
- e. Language Other Than English - 2 years, 3 recommended
- f. Visual and Performing Arts - 1 year required
- g. College Preparatory Electives - 1 year required

A grade of C or better is required for each course to meet any A-G subject requirement.



APPLICATION TYPE:

University of California



One application

Requirements:

**Must have a 3.0 or above
A-G courses**

**Personal Insight Questions
Comprehensive Review**

Comprehensive Review

- Academic grade point average in all completed "a-g" courses, including additional points for completed UC-certified honors courses.
- Number of, content of and performance in academic courses beyond the minimum "a-g" requirements.
- Number of and performance in UC-approved honors and Advanced Placement courses.
- Identification by UC as being ranked in the top 9 percent of their high school class ("eligible in the local context," or ELC).
- Quality of a student's senior-year program, as measured by the type and number of academic courses in progress or planned.
- Quality of their academic performance relative to the educational opportunities available in their high school.
- Outstanding performance in one or more academic subject areas.



Comprehensive Review

- Outstanding work in one or more special projects in any academic field of study.
- Recent, marked improvement in academic performance, as demonstrated by academic GPA and the quality of coursework completed or in progress.
- Special talents, achievements and awards in a particular field, such as visual and performing arts, communication or athletic endeavors; special skills, such as demonstrated written and oral proficiency in other languages; special interests, such as intensive study and exploration of other cultures; experiences that demonstrate unusual promise for leadership, such as significant community service or significant participation in student government; or other significant experiences or achievements that demonstrate the student's promise for contributing to the intellectual vitality of a campus.
- Completion of special projects undertaken in the context of a student's high school curriculum or in conjunction with special school events, projects or programs.
- Academic accomplishments in light of a student's life experiences and special circumstances.
- Location of a student's secondary school and residence.



Personal Insight Questions

- 8 questions to choose from. Must respond to only 4 of the 8 questions.
- Each response is limited to a maximum of 350 words.
- All questions are equal. All are given equal consideration in the application review process
- There is no right or wrong way to answer these questions. It's about getting to know your personality, background, interests and achievements in your own unique voice.
- Use the additional comments field if there are issues you'd like to address that you didn't have the opportunity to discuss elsewhere on the application.

★ PIQ Guide

<https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/assets/files/how-to-apply/uc-personal-questions-guide-freshman.pdf>

★ CollegeOptions will review PIQ responses



Personal Insight Questions

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?



Application

Application is currently open

<https://apply.universityofcalifornia.edu/my-application/login>

Submit application

November 1st – 30th

Fee \$70 per application

Fee waivers available-Apply through the application



UC Application Guide

https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/files/presenting-yourself-on-the-uc-freshman-admission-application_finalpptx.pdf



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Admissions

Requirements

How to apply

Tuition & financial aid

Campuses & majors

Apply now



**Ready for your next challenge?
The application is now open.**

Get your UC application in by November 30, and take the first step toward a UC degree.

Get started



Application Type: **California State University**

One application

Requirements:

GPA

A-G courses

Supplemental Factors

This temporary change of admission requirements will also apply to impacted CSU campuses and programs. Campuses and programs designated as impacted may utilize higher “a-g” GPA thresholds for applicants, as well as identify supplemental criteria and their relative weights, in making admission decisions.



Application

Apply online Oct. 1st –Nov. 30th

<https://www.calstate.edu/apply>

Fee \$70 per application

Fee waivers available-Apply through the application



CSU Application Guide

<https://www.calstate.edu/apply/freshman/Documents/freshman-application-guide-21-22.pdf>



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CAL STATE **APPLY**



Application Type: **Private/Out-of-state Colleges & Universities**

Many private/out of state colleges use
Common Application:
www.commonapp.org



Requirements:

Letters of recommendation/s
Counselor recommendation

Essays

Official transcripts

Comprehensive review

SAT/ACT- Varies by college/university

** If a school is NOT listed on CommonApp, their application will be on their website.*

Application

Common Application:
<https://www.commonapp.org/>

Deadlines vary

**Always contact individual college Admissions Office for
information**



Common Application Guide

<https://www.commonapp.org/apply/first-time-students>



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Letter of Recommendations

Date of Submission: _____



Letter of Recommendation Form

Seniors: Letters of recommendation are very important to the college admissions process. Colleges value a letter that shares insight beyond grades on a potential admissions candidate. We try our best to write the most complete letter possible on your behalf. The more thorough you are in completing this form, the more information we will have in writing your recommendation.

This form is **REQUIRED** to write a letter of recommendation.

***IMPORTANT: 2 OR 3 WEEKS NOTIFICATION IS REQUIRED TO REQUEST A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION!**

Student Name: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Scholastic Information:

Potential Major: _____

Application Type: **California Community Colleges**

There are 116 colleges to
choose from

Apply on
<http://home.cccapply.org/>

No minimum GPA
SAT/ACT not required



California Community Colleges

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

- Degree, Certificate or Transfer
- Transfer Admissions Guarantee- TAG (UC)
- Associate Degree for Transfer Guarantee- ADT (CSU)
- **Two years tuition free at Shasta College**



Shasta College



- ❖ Shasta Promise
 - FREE college tuition
 - First 2 years
- ❖ Requirements Include:
 - Apply for FAFSA
 - Register for 12 units or more
 - Complete new student orientation
 - Ed-plan with counselor

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Application Tips!

- Use Transcript when filling out applications
- Create and use one email account for all applications. Use a non-school issued email account.
- Campuses use email to send critical, time-sensitive correspondence to applicants. Students should check their email regularly.
- Attend College Application Workshops in November



NCAA



Eligibility Center

Student Email

Password

Login

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Creating an account is the first step to becoming an NCAA student-athlete



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GET STARTED



International Students

GET STARTED



High School Admins & Counselors

GET STARTED



Financial Aid Night

College OPTIONS

**Wednesday, September 29th
5:30 PM**

Zoom link emailed to parent!



Comparison- COAs

Shasta College (CA Community College)
\$15,673*

CSU Chico (CA Public 4-year)
\$26,122**

UC Davis (CA Public 4-year)
\$37,604**

Stanford University (Private)
\$78,898**

*Living with parent

**Living on Campus



Financial Aid

WHAT IS THE FAFSA?

- **Free Application for Federal Student Aid** is the gateway to financial aid
 - Grants Free Money
 - Scholarships Free Money
 - Work Study Earned Money
 - Loans Borrowed Money
- Used to determine a family's Expected Family Contribution (EFC)
 - EFC is an objective means of measuring the strength of a family's resources and its ability to pay for college costs
- Must be completed every year of college
- Ways to complete the FAFSA
 - On the web – desktop or laptop
 - On mobile devices – smartphones or tablets
 - myStudentAid mobile app (download at your app store)
 - Paper version - download a pdf version off the web



Scholarships & Financial Aid

- ❖ Federal (FAFSA)- Opens October 1st
- ❖ State (Cal Grant)
- ❖ U-Prep Scholarship List- Google Classroom
- ❖ University Scholarships- Check Websites
- ❖ Fastweb, Scholly, Big Future Scholarship Search (CollegeBoard)



Thank you!

