

## **Transfer Applicants**

The University of California considers you a transfer applicant if you graduated from high school and enrolled in a regular session at a college or university.

UC Irvine is very selective at the transfer level. Highest priority for admission is given to California resident junior-level applicants from California community colleges. Preference will also be given to community college students who have participated in academically selective honors courses or programs. Junior level transfer applicants from four-year colleges, including other UC campuses and lower division transfer applicants, may be considered as space permits.

## **Selection Criteria for UC Irvine Transfer Students**

- Academic achievement and performance as described above, and personal accomplishment, potential, and experience as assessed through a comprehensive review of all information provided on the application plus the following:
  - an exceptionally challenging curriculum
  - completion of required English composition and mathematics courses by the end of the spring term preceding enrollment at UC Irvine
  - outstanding accomplishments relevant to academic aims
  - unusual circumstances or hardships the applicant has faced and the ways in which the applicant has responded to these challenges
  - a strong, thoughtful match between UC Irvine's programs and the applicant's academic and career objectives, preparation, talents, and skills
  - potential contributions to the campus

NOTE: In addition to meeting the selection criteria outlined above, transfer applicants must complete the preparation requirements and prerequisite courses for their intended major (read the information on "[Transfer Admission, Selection and Preparation](#)").

## **About Transfer Credit**

The UC Irvine Office of Admissions and Relations with Schools (OARS) determines the transferability of course work taken at other institutions for both newly admitted transfer students and for current UCI students who attend other institutions concurrently or during summer quarter.

## **Prospective UCI Students**

Unfortunately, OARS is not able to evaluate prospective students' course work as to its transferability to UCI. Due to our large volume of applicants, we are only able to perform course-by-course evaluations for students admitted to UCI, and who have notified us that they plan to enroll.

If you are attending another University of California campus or California community college, most of your academic coursework will probably be transferable. For more information on transfer credit from California institutions, visit [ASSIST](#), the statewide transfer information site.

If you attend an institution outside California, you may gain some knowledge by comparing the catalog descriptions of courses you have taken against course descriptions in the [UCI General Catalog](#), though we cannot guarantee that this will prove accurate in all situations.

Please refer to [Transfer Admission](#) for information on transfer admission requirements.

## **Current UCI Students**

Transfer credit is not approved in advance. OARS will only evaluate non-UCI course work after courses have been completed and we have received a complete, official transcript with final grades. If you are participating in a study abroad organization which requires a signature in order for you to register, you should contact your school or college. However, please note that the signature does not guarantee that credit will be awarded.

## **To receive credit, you must:**

Attend a regionally accredited U.S. college or university or a recognized university in another country.

Take academic courses which are substantially similar to those offered by the University of California system.

Take courses that do not repeat material you have already completed.

Take all course work in the proper sequential order.

Request that the institution attended send us an official transcript (this includes UCI Extension). Requests for transcripts from foreign institutions should be made before you leave the country. No credit will be awarded for course work appearing on a transcript issued by a study abroad organization.

Transcripts should be sent to:

University of California, Irvine  
Office of Admissions and Relations with Schools  
260 Aldrich Hall  
Irvine, CA 92697-1075