Transitioning to a University in the fall 2024

California Central Coast Community College Collaborative (C6) sponsored STEM Student Presentations – Spring 2024

Topics we will cover today

- Tying up loose ends
- Applying for your degree and CSU or IGETC Certification
- Requesting official transcripts
- Acceptance and denials
- Appeal process
- UC waitlist
- Financial aid
- Housing
- Successful transition
- Support Services at the university



Tying up Loose Ends

- Update campuses with new/changing information
- Request transcripts (when required)
- Degree application
- Apply for general education certification (if applicable)

UC Admission FALL 2024 Next steps from admission to enrollment: Transfer

For newly admitted transfer students, each University of California campus has important deadlines and procedures for students to accept the offer of admission and prepare for enrollment. Specific campus information is included in the two tables below.

Admission decisions -All campuses notify students of admission decisions on their admissions portal. The links for each campus' student portal are in the table below.

For admitted students, all campuses also notify via U.S. Mail.

Financial aid offer - All campuses notify students of their preliminary or official financial aid award in the student portal. The timing of the offers relative to the admission decision varies by campus. **Accepting an admission offer-** Applicants must submit the Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) by **June 1 at 11:59 p.m. (PT).**

- SIR deposit deferral Students that qualified for the UC application fee waiver may also qualify to defer their SIR deposit until financial aid is disbursed.
- Housing- Students interested in living in campus housing are encouraged to apply. Housing
 application deadlines are listed below, but campus housing websites will have the most current
 information. Meeting the deadline may be required to qualify for any campus housing
 guarantees.
- Submitting final official transcripts, exam results & documents
- Final official transcripts are due by July 1.
- AP scores, IB scores, and other documents (such as IGETC certification) are due by **July 15**.

Requesting your Official College Transcripts

- Send **official transcripts** to your campus by their deadline
- Send official transcripts now for any campuses that have requested in progress transcripts, send final transcripts once grades are posted for spring by your universities deadline
- All college transcripts must be submitted by the college where you took the course work. You will need to log into your portals to request them
- Send AP Scores or/and IB scores
- You are responsible for sending transcripts by their deadline, not following this can result in admission being rescinded

Conditional/Provisional admission

- Most admission decisions are offered as "conditional" or "provisional" what does this mean?
 - It is expected that you maintain or meet certain requirements to avoid having your offer of admission rescinded
- Example: CSULB <u>Conditional and Provisional Admission</u>
- UC system information on "provisional admission"

It is important that you pass your remaining courses to avoid an issue with admission decisions!

>If you are faced with extenuating circumstances, contact the campuses and advocate for yourself.

Received a Denial notice?

- Visit respective university webpage with denial information
 - Example: UCLA "Appeals to Admission Decisions"
- Review all information to determine if an appeal is possible and if you have a <u>valid</u> <u>reason</u> to appeal
 - Have appeal letter reviewed before submitting
 - Be sure to submit ALL required documents by the given deadline
 - Complete a minimum 30 units of CSU general education completed

CSU Redirection

• What is redirection?

 Redirection provides the opportunity to forward your Cal State Apply application to a CSU campus that has capacity for additional students.

• Who is eligible for redirection?

- If you are a <u>California resident for tuition purposes</u>, applied as one of the applicant types below, and were not admitted to any CSU to which you applied to due to <u>impaction</u>, you are eligible for redirection.
- First-time freshman
- **Upper-division transfer student**
- Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) student
- If you have been accepted to at least one CSU campus, you are not eligible for redirection.

When does redirection happen?

 Redirection occurs after all campuses have finalized admission decisions for a given semester. You will receive an email offering an opportunity to redirect your application in mid-April for fall and mid-November for spring.

How does redirection work?

- If you are identified as eligible for redirection, you will receive an email with instructions. You will update your Cal State Apply application with either a first- and second-choice CSU campus or opt-out of redirection.
- Once you identify your first and second choices, your application will be redirected to your first-choice CSU campus unless that campus has run out of capacity. To ensure your application is redirected to your first-choice campus, update your Cal State Apply application as quickly as possible.
- After your application is redirected, the redirect CSU campus will email you with next steps in the process.

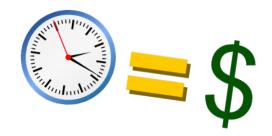
Fall 2024 Redirection Universities

Channel Islands
Chico
Dominguez Hills
East Bay
Humboldt
Maritime
Monterey Bay
San Francisco
Sonoma

Waitlists at the UC

- All campuses, except Merced, typically offer transfer waitlists for select majors. Offers will be extended by April, with an opt-in deadline of May 15. You will be notified of your final status by July 1.
- You can accept waitlist offers from multiple campuses, but you can only accept one offer of admission.
- Even if you accept a waitlist offer at a UC campus, you should submit a Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) to ensure you have a place to attend in the fall.
- The \$250 SIR fee will not transfer if you decide to choose a different campus after submitting the SIR

Finances & Aid



- Apply for financial aid (FAFSA/Dream Act)
 - Priority filing is May 2nd
 - Add <u>all</u> schools NOW if you haven't already
- Search & apply for scholarships

https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/scholarships

- Create a budget and start participating in shopping for groceries and cooking if you are not already familiar with these tasks practice independent living!
- Take on a summer job/ paid internship

Financial Aid After Transfer

- Know your SAI (Student Aid Index)—Your SAI will be listed on your <u>FAFSA Submission Summary</u>.
- Your SAI is an index number used to determine your eligibility for federal student financial aid.
 - This number is not a dollar amount of aid eligibility or what your family is expected to provide.
 - A negative SAI indicates the student has a higher financial need.
 - Know your universities' COA (Cost of Attendance)
- The college or career school will determine your financial need by subtracting your SAI from the cost of attendance.
- Aid comes in form of: Free aid(grants, scholarships), loans, and work study

Here's what you should do after applying to keep the financial aid process on track:

- Find out how campuses will communicate with you. All campuses rely on students to frequently check email and student online portals for document requests and award notices.
- Campuses may contact you seeking additional information. Respond immediately to all requests for follow-up documents and actions, including those from both the financial aid and admissions offices.
- You should hear about your financial aid award before the campus asks you to commit to attending, and with enough time to make an informed decision.
- Make sure you accept (or decline) your financial aid offer (typically through the campus online portal).
- After you've been admitted, if your personal or family circumstances change or your basic financial aid budget doesn't cover your educational expenses, you can appeal to your campus financial aid office for more help.
- Apply again next year! You'll need to apply for financial aid every year you're enrolled in school to continue receiving aid. (And even if you didn't receive financial aid one year, you may be eligible to receive financial aid the following year).

Consider Housing Option

- Campuses provide a variety of living accommodations, from on-campus housing and student cooperatives, family housing, to special communities designed just for transfer students.
- Start exploring all options now (on & off- campus)
 - Use campus and community resources
- Research the housing process, deadlines, cancellation policy and deposit amounts
- Submit on-campus housing application by deadline
- Determine monthly and semester cost for housing to build into your personal student budget.

Successful Transitions



- Be prepared for "transfer shock," practice sound time management skills. Stay organized.
- Make connections here and there--Network!
- **Keep your mailing and email address current** here and there-check email and portals regularly!
- Become familiar with the academic environment at a university
- Get involved at your university and surrounding community
- Look for potential clubs, organizations, jobs/internships related to your major
- Stay focused
- Attend all transfer events if possible- dates may change
 - · Open houses, Spring Admitted Students Day, etc.—March-April
 - Summer Orientation—search dates

Getting familiar with your university

- Explore your university portal, get familiar with what you have available
- Semester vs quarter
- Campus life
- Identify who may be part of your support network

Get Connected at your University

- All universities have student service/support programs
 - Get connected early on!
- Make contact with your university early on, summer is a great time!
 - Engineering Programs
 - STEM Programs
 - Transfer Centers
 - EOP
 - TRIO
 - Disability Services
- Faculty and staff
- Identify your academic advisor
- Socially- friends, clubs organizations
 - Get involved at your university and surrounding community
 - Look for potential programs, clubs, organizations, jobs/internships related to your major

Important Reminders and Deadlines



- Submit Statement of Intent to Register (SIR):

 To UCs by June 1st and CSUs by May 15th (some CSUs have later deadlines)

 Pay fees if required/Accept only one UC/CSUs: o.k. to accept more than one but will lose deposit, if applicable. Research now...decide
- □ Submit **in-progress transcripts** if requested

by SIR deadline so as to only need to chose one.

- Apply for Graduation and CSU or IGETC Certification
- Review your Financial Aid award--Usually available by April in your portal
- □ Submit **FINAL transcripts, ASAP, and** by appropriate deadline (July 1 for UCs, July 15 for CPSLO and it varies for other CSUs) △
- □ Attend your **University Orientation**!

 Most are held in June and July, some in August.

More Reminders:

- Logon to your FAFSA and make sure you have added the schools to which you have applied and look up your SAI if you don't already know it.
- □ Research university spring visitation days (check your portals or google under school name and either open house, preview days, new admitted student days, etc.)
- Research housing options
- Research programs and services at your university
- □ Continue to check community college & personal email as well as university portals regularly.

Questions?