

INTERNATIONAL UNDERGRADUATE APPLICANTS

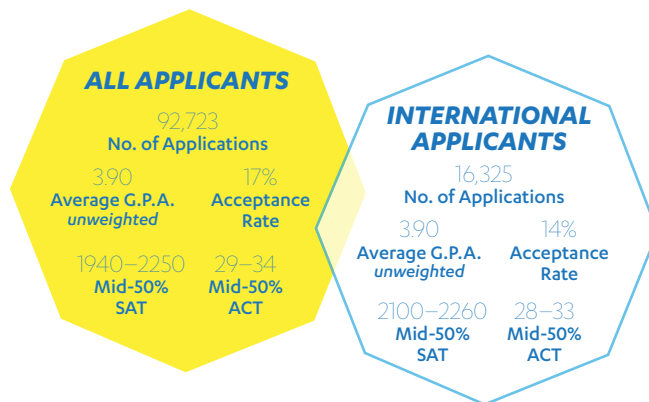
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TO
UCLA

IN 2014–15, UCLA ENROLLED FRESHMAN STUDENTS FROM OVER 40 COUNTRIES

The University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) welcomes applications from students around the world, and students come from all over the world to attend UCLA. Indeed, part of what makes UCLA great is the variety of experiences and backgrounds our students bring to our campus community.

Located in a beautiful neighborhood in one of the world's great cities, UCLA is a major research university with a long standing tradition of academic and research excellence. For nearly a century, UCLA has educated future leaders for every endeavor- from academia to the arts, from private industry to public service. Consistently ranked in the top tier of national and international universities and powered by extensive resources, UCLA graduates enjoy high rates of admission to the world's top graduate and professional schools and are well prepared for service to society. UCLA's College of Letters and Science and four professional schools – Arts and Architecture, Engineering and Applied Sciences, Nursing, and Theater, Film and Television – feature renowned faculty and offer over 125 majors. It is little wonder that UCLA is a national and international leader in the breadth and quality of its academic, research, health care, cultural, continuing education and athletic programs. We hope that you will take the time to look closely at the opportunities awaiting you as an undergraduate student at UCLA.

PROFILE OF FALL 2015 FRESHMAN ADMITS



UCLA receives the most applications for admission of any university in the United States, and we are looking for students who can thrive at an advanced level.

All applications are read twice, in their entirety, by admissions professionals. All achievement – both academic and nonacademic/personal – is considered in the context of your educational circumstances, with an emphasis on the opportunities or challenges presented to you and your response to them.

No single attribute or characteristic guarantees the admission of any applicant to UCLA.



ACADEMIC PREPARATION AND TESTING REQUIREMENTS

- To be considered for admission to UCLA as a freshman, international students must complete secondary school and be able to enter a university in their home country.
- There is no single academic path we expect all students to follow, but the strongest applicants take the most rigorous secondary school curriculum available to them.
- Successful applicants have completed high school with a well-rounded academic background including coursework in History/Social Science, English, Laboratory Science, Language (other than language of instruction), Visual and Performing Arts (if available.) This series of completed course work is typically referred to as the “a-g” courses required for eligibility to the University of California. We understand that UCLA’s subject requirements may be difficult for some international applicants to meet due to differences in national curriculums, and all applications are reviewed within the context of courses available to them.
- All freshman applicants are expected to take the following tests:
 - The ACT Assessment plus Writing Test - or -
 - The SAT Reasoning Test
- The University of California system will accept both the current and redesigned SAT. The essay section from both exams will continue to be required.
- UCLA will use the highest composite score from a single test administration. **UCLA does not superscore.**
- In order for your test scores to be available in time for our review, all tests must be taken by December. All scores should be sent directly to the UCLA admission office through the testing agency.
- English language proficiency is critical to your success at UCLA. Applicants whose first language, or language of instruction for at least the last three years, is not English, are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or the International English Language Testing Service (IELTS). A competitive score is above 100 (with sub-scores above 22) on the TOEFL or a 7 or above on the IELTS. All scores should be sent directly to UCLA from the testing agency.
- Applicants to the **Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science** are strongly encouraged to take the following SAT Subject Tests: Math Level 2 and a science test (Biology E/M, Chemistry, or Physics) that is closely related to the applicant’s intended major.

GENERAL APPLICATION TIPS

- The University of California’s online application is used to apply to UCLA. The application can be found at: www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply
- The application opens on **August 1st**, and must be submitted **November 1–30** in the year preceding fall term enrollment.
- You are a **freshman applicant** if you completed secondary school and have not enrolled at any college or university. You can only apply as a **transfer applicant** if you have successfully completed college level coursework amounting to 90-129 quarter (60-86 semester) units of credit and the lower-division courses required for your major course of study. You may not disregard your college record and apply as a freshman. Learn more about transfer at: http://www.admission.ucla.edu/prospect/Adm_tr/tradms.htm
- The UC application is designed for students to **self-advocate**. When we read your application, we want to only hear from you, and not be influenced by how well your teachers know you. We welcome information that applicants think may be helpful in understanding their accomplishments within their school communities.
- **Letters of recommendation are not accepted at UCLA.**
- **Official documents/transcripts are not required at the point of application.** If you are offered admission to UCLA, you will receive instructions on how to send your official records to us.
- All academic and non-academic information plus two personal statements are reported via the online application. Tips for writing your personal statements are available at: <http://www.admission.ucla.edu/Prospect/PerStmt.htm>

EVALUATING INTERNATIONAL RECORDS

Our application readers have expertise in different curricula and educational systems from around the world.

UCLA uses self-reported academic information when making the preliminary assessment of your application for admission. In completing your application, you will be asked to list all courses and grades from all schools and colleges you have attended.

Complete the educational history section of the application exactly as it appears on your school records. Later, we will request official transcripts to verify the completeness and accuracy of this information.

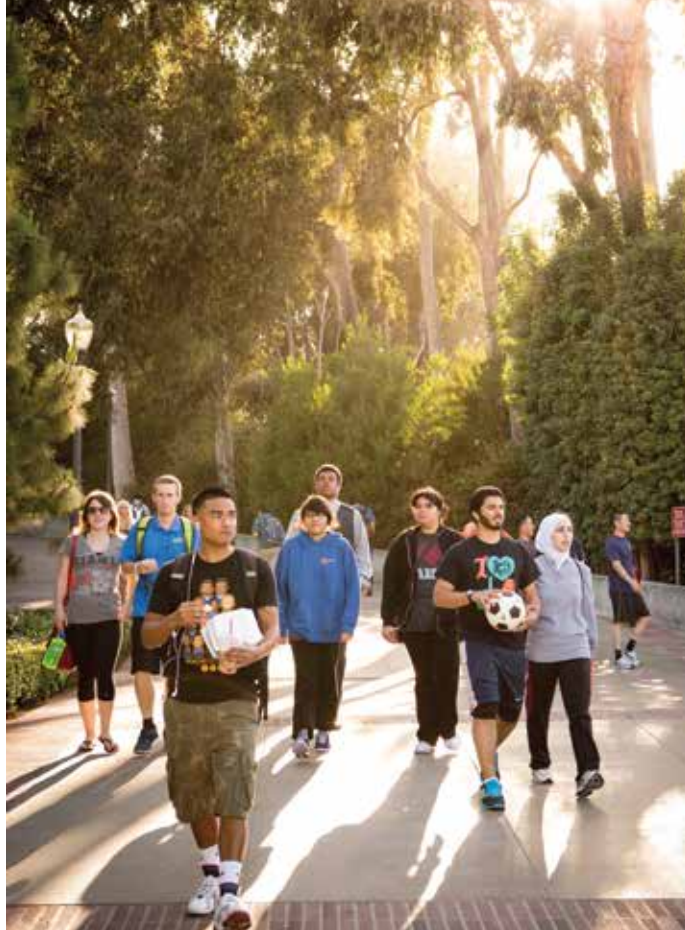
Please report all official exam results in the International External Exam Section of the UC Application.

If your school releases **predicted exam results**, you may enter them into the same section. The predictions will be used as part of your application review and we expect students to perform at a similar standard.

Below are some of the most common educational systems and minimum admission requirements for each:

British system (including Singapore): Students who have attended school under the British system must present at least five GCSE/Ordinary-Level examinations and at least three Advanced-Level examinations with superior grades. Results of Advanced-Subsidiary exams also should be submitted. Competitive applicants typically score A and A* grades.

India: Complete Year X and Year XII state board or CBSE exams. Competitive applicants typically achieve high marks, primarily A1 and A2 grades or scores above 80.



International Baccalaureate (IB): Students enrolled in IB schools are expected to earn scores of 5 or higher on IB HL exams, and most admitted students typically score 38+ points on the IB Diploma.

French Baccalaureate: Students enrolled in French Baccalaureate schools are expected to earn scores of 10 or higher, and most competitive applicants typically score 14+ points in each subject.

GENERAL APPLICATION TIPS *(continued)*

- Additional information about the schools you have attended can be included in the “comments” section of your application for admission. We encourage students to work with their high school counselor to include a short **statement about the school** in the “Additional Information” section of the application.
- **UCLA does not offer an early action or early decision program.**
- Students from countries requiring entry into military service upon completion of secondary education may submit an application; if offered admission, UCLA will consider, but does not guarantee, a deferment to a later term.



COST OF ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL AID

Academic year 2015–16 (estimated tuition and fees for nonresident undergraduates)

All fees are subject to change.

	Living in a Residence Hall	Living Off Campus
Nonresident Supplemental	\$24,708	\$24,708
Tuition and Fees	\$13,251	\$13,251
Room and Board	\$14,904	\$10,239
Transportation	\$594	\$1,104
Personal	\$1,836	\$2,025
Health Insurance*	\$1,930	\$1,930
Books and Supplies	\$1,383	\$1,383
TOTAL	\$58,606	\$54,640

**UCLA requires that all international students on non-immigrant visas have adequate medical insurance during all periods of enrollment. More information about this requirement will be sent to students when they are admitted.*

California Residency

Determination of your residency for purposes of tuition and fees occurs after you have been admitted to UCLA. Regulations defining California residence for purposes of tuition and fees are detailed at <http://www.registrar.ucla.edu/residence/>

US Citizens/Permanent Residents

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) can be filed starting January 1. Make sure you complete it before the UCLA priority deadline on March 2. Based on your FAFSA and other information you submit, the Financial Aid Office will determine your eligibility for a variety of funding options, including scholarships, grants, work-study programs and loans.

The UCLA Scholarship Resource Center is available to help you identify scholarships for which you are qualified. For information about searching for UCLA scholarships for first-year students and other outside scholarships, please review our Scholarship Resource Center website at: http://www.ugeducation.ucla.edu/src/Scholarship_Search.html

Funding

International students are not eligible for university, state, or federal financial aid. We urge international students to research scholarship opportunities from private organizations both within the US and your home country.

For more information on how to make UCLA affordable, see: <http://www.ucla.edu/admission/affordability>. In addition, UCLA offers payment plan options for both tuition and housing so that families can make smaller, regular tuition payments throughout the academic year instead of larger, lump-sum payments

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

August 1:

Application opens for fall 2015

November 1–30:

Application submission window

November 30:

Deadline to submit your application

Late March:

Admission notification (freshmen)

Late April:

Admission notification (transfer)

May 1:

Deadline to submit your enrollment deposit (freshmen)*

June 1:

Deadline to submit your enrollment deposit (transfer)*

*Once you have submitted your deposit, you will receive instructions on how to obtain your I-20 from the Dashew Center for International Students & Scholars.

CONTACT INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

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MESSAGE REGARDING AGENTS AND CONSULTANTS

UCLA Undergraduate Admission does not partner with agents to represent the University or to administer any part of the application process. The engagement of agents or private organizations for the purpose of recruiting or enrolling international students is not endorsed by UCLA.

UCLA expects an application to be the work of the student and any deviation violates University policy which may lead to rejection of application materials, revocation of an admission offer, cancellation of admission, or involuntary withdrawal from the University. There is no formula for gaining admission to UCLA. Students with vastly different credentials come from thousands of secondary schools across the country and around the world. What unifies our students are the talents they bring to UCLA and their passion to explore all that UCLA has to offer.