

Undocumented and APPLYING To UC

Helpful tips for going through the application process as an undocumented student



Nov 30: Submit UC Application



Between Jan 1st and March 2nd: Submit Dream Act



Transfers: By June 1 Submit Statement of Intent to Register
Freshmen: By May 1st Submit Statement of Intent to Register



Submit Statement of Legal Residence

**** See Below for Details and Links for Each Process**

1) Submit your application for admission to UC by November 30th.

When you fill out the [application for undergraduate admission](#), you're automatically considered for a number of [UC scholarships](#).

-How to Pay for Application Fees?

Are you an AB540-eligible student and meet the income requirements? ([AB 540 Requirements](#))

IF YES:

UC will waive your fees for up to four campuses for undocumented students who are AB540-eligible and meet the income requirements.

HOW APPLY for FEE Waiver:

- Apply for a fee waiver within the online application and be notified immediately whether you have qualified.
- The option to apply for a fee waiver will be based on how you fill out these questions:
 - o Citizenship status: If you choose “No selection”
 - o California residency: If you attended a California high school for three or more years and will graduate or have graduated from a California high school
 - o Your family’s income and the number of people supported by that income

IF NO:

- Every application fee is \$70
- Helpful tips to funding application fees

TIPS for filling out the Undergraduate Application

Social Security Number

- o IF you have a valid Social Security Number (SSN) --- for instance, because of immigration proceedings--- enter that on the application.
- o IF you have an SSN for work purposes (usually through DACA), use that where the application asks for an SSN.
- o If you **don’t** have a valid SSN or SSN for work purposes, **but do have an Individual Tax Payer Identification Number (ITIN)**, use the ITIN in place of an SSN on the application

- IF you don't have a valid SSN, SSN for work purposes, or ITIN, leave this item blank

Be sure that the number you use in this item in the application is the same as the SSN or ITIN you enter on your Cal Dream Act Application!

Country of Citizenship

You have the option to choose "No Selection." This option is valid response and we recommend this choice for undocumented applicants, including those with DACA status.

Why choose "No Selection,"?

- You will avoid being asked other questions about permanent residency and visa status that are not applicable to you.

California Residency:

You'll be asked the following questions to determine if you are a California resident for admission purposes:

1. Have you attended a California high school for three or more years and will graduate or have graduated from a California high school?
2. How long have you lived in California?
3. Is your parent or legal guardian or legal guardian a permanent resident [If you're under 18]
4. Is your parent, legal guardian, spouse or registered domestic partner an employee of UC or a UC-affiliated national laboratory?

If you're considered a California resident for admission purposes, you may be eligible for our application fee waiver and you'll be considered for admission using the 3.0 minimum GPA (rather than the 3.4 GPA for nonresident applicants).

NOTE TO CONSIDER: Being a California resident for admission purposes DOES NOT necessarily mean you'll be considered a resident for tuition purposes. Find out if you could be eligible for a [nonresident supplemental tuition exemption \(AKA: AB 540\)](#)

Do you have to mention your status in your Personal Statement?

NO:

It is up to you if you want to mention and discuss your undocumented status in your personal statement. It isn't required, but can provide more context for your application

by helping reviewers understand your circumstance and resources. It will not be used outside of the application.

Parent Citizenship Information:

When you submit your application, you'll be asked questions about your parents' citizenship status. For Example: *Is your parent a U.S. citizen? Has your parent been physically present in CA for at least 3 years?*

You DO NOT have to answer these questions, but if you do, we encourage you to answer them truthfully--- any information you provide will not affect your admission decision. This information is used only to help UC Determine residency.

2) File DREAM ACT Application between Jan 1st and March 2nd

You can use this Amazing [DREAM ACT PDF Guide](#)

**** Make sure your GPA has been submitted for a Cal Grant (in addition to the California Dream Act Application).** California community colleges and most California high schools automatically submit students' GPAs for Cal Grants. Check with your school to make sure; if they don't automatically submit your GPA, download the [Cal Grant GPA Verification Form](#) and have your school submit it to the California Student Aid Commission.

When Admitted:

3) Submit a [Statement of Intent to Register \(SIR\)](#) at your intended campus.

Freshmen: By May 1st Transfers: By June 1st

4) You'll need to submit a [Statement of Legal Residence \(SLR\)](#) to the campus residence deputy.

- a. If you then receive a nonresident classification, **complete the AB 540 nonresident tuition exemption forms**, which you can get at your campus registrar's office, or online.

If you're an undocumented student and are **not eligible for an AB 540 nonresident tuition exemption, you will be ineligible for all federal, state and institutional aid. Private loans and scholarships are the only financial aid options.

** If you are a **Transfer Student** you will also need to complete the AB 540 nonresident tuition exemption form, even if you have previously submitted to your community college.

** Many resources on this page have been consolidated from information found on <http://undoc.universityofcalifornia.edu/>

<http://e4fc.org/>

-- Be sure to also check them out for further details.

Are you an Undocumented Transfer Student Applying to UC Davis?

Here is a timeline you can follow while at your current education institution:

	0 – 29 Transferable Units	30 – 59 Transferable Units	60+ Transferable Units
August	Intro to TOP	Intro to TAG	Intro to TAG
September	Advising UC Davis Workshop	Advising	Advising
October	Advising	Advising	Advising
November	[TAG Review]	Advising UC Application	Advising UC Application
December	[TAG Review]	Advising Scholarship Workshop	Advising Scholarship Workshop
January	[HOLISTIC Review]	[HOLISTIC Review]	[HOLISTIC Review]
February	Advising Discover UC Davis	Financial Aid Process UC Application Update	Financial Aid Process UC Application Update
March	Advising Promote Blue & Gold File DREAM ACT	[TAG Review] File DREAM ACT	[TAG Review] File DREAM ACT
April	Advising Promote Blue & Gold	[TAG Review]	[TAG Review]
May	Yield Events Decision!!	Yield Events Decision!!	Yield Events Decision!!

[TRANSFER CHECK LIST \(Preparing for UC Davis\)](#)