

How do I apply to a university?

Here are a few of the major steps...

Preparations For Any University (UC, CSU, Private)

- No D's or F's in any academic classes!
- Meet your a-g requirements (see list)
- Sign up to take SAT or ACT at least twice
- Take an SAT prep class/ get a prep book
- Research colleges you're interested in by looking at their websites; try: www.campusexplorer.com
- Visit campuses you are interested in if possible
- Maintain a high GPA; best between 2.5 - 4.0
[\(see eligibility index\)](#)
- Look into Financial Aid, scholarships
- Explore a major and a career
- Apply to a university in November of senior year

a-g Requirements

All courses MUST be college preparatory

A. History/Social Studies	2 years required
B. English	4 years required
C. Mathematics	3 years required (4 years recommended)
D. Laboratory Science	2 years required (3 years recommended)
E. Language other than English	2 years required (3 years recommended)
F. Visual and Performing Arts* (Beginning with the class of 2003)	1 year required
G. College Preparatory Electives*	1 year required

Note: Grades of “C” or better are required in all college prep courses.

California State Universities (CSU)



All CSU's have the same entrance requirements.

Some are more popular, so they are harder to get into.

CSU San Marcos
SDSU

Application Process for CSU

Submit an Application by Nov. 30 @ csumentor.com

You will need:

- \$55 per application (unless you have fee waiver)
- Your Social Security number
- Academic letter grades from 9th - 12th (use transcript)
- SAT and/or ACT scores
- Parent's financial information
- *Send your SAT scores to the schools you applied to
- *Send in separate EOP application

You are notified in March if you are accepted:

- Submit Letter of Intent & deposit to attend
- Send in an official transcript after graduating

University of California (UC)



UC schools are competitive: they usually accept those in the top 10% of their graduating high school class.

UCSD

Application Process for UC

Submit an App. by Nov. 30 @ www.universityofcalifornia.edu

You will need:

- \$60 per application (unless you have a fee waiver)
- Your Social Security number
- Academic letter grades from 9th - 12th (use transcript)
- SAT I or ACT scores *and* SAT II Subject Test scores
- AP scores
- Parent's financial information
- Community service hours/ Extracurricular involvement
- 1000-word Personal Statement Essay
- * Send your SAT scores to the schools you applied to

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Private Schools and Vocational Schools in San Diego

All of these San Diego colleges also offer various 4-year degrees. Each has different admission requirements and offers different programs of study. Check out their websites!

