



# SHS COUNSELING DEPARTMENT PREPARING FOR COLLEGE

## SAT/ACT - Please click on link for Testing Policy updates

- UC Testing updates - <https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/freshman-requirements/exam-requirement/>
- CSU Testing updates - [https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/freshman/getting\\_into\\_the\\_csu/pages/testing-requirements.aspx](https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/freshman/getting_into_the_csu/pages/testing-requirements.aspx)
- Private Schools/ Out of State - will vary
  - You will have to look at each individual school for updates

## HELPFUL PLANNING TIPS

### Letters of Recommendation

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/plan-for-college/college-prep/stand-out/how-to-get-a-great-letter-of-recommendation>

### Brag Sheets

#### Teachers

<https://www.commonapp.org/static/71f67faedd72b3cdaflc28ed85d621cf/FYBragSheetStudentsTeachersCARReady.pdf>

#### Counselors

<https://www.commonapp.org/static/1333b2c3c4f93755d248c7721d4edb5f/FYBragSheetStudentsCounselorsCARReady.pdf>

## COLLEGE APPLICATION DATES

**October 1-Nov. 30, 2022** - Filing period for CSU & UC application \*Application opens in August

\*Private and Out of State schools application deadlines vary, check individually

## PREPARING FOR COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

You will need a transcript to do your applications. You can order one in the counseling office. If you need an Official transcript click on this link [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/15av4\\_DBvfxHwd8VowkBfhOBctrYpCnNVBnWk2ZPmBRs/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/15av4_DBvfxHwd8VowkBfhOBctrYpCnNVBnWk2ZPmBRs/edit?usp=sharing) Check if your colleges want a transcript in the fall, some do **but do not send one unless the college requests it. Most want a 7<sup>th</sup> semester transcript (January).**

Make sure that you have sent your scores to all colleges that you are applying to for admission. **For CSU's:** Instructions are on [www.calstate.edu/apply](http://www.calstate.edu/apply) (the application website for all CSU's)

**SAT: To send to all CSU's using one code, select (go under "search options" and manually type in 3594) off of the screen and your SAT scores will be sent.**

**For UC schools:** select the code for any UC and the SAT score will be sent to all 9 UC campuses. **This saves \$.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** The personal Email address that is listed on your college application should be permanent. This is the primary way schools will communicate with you. Register online through each college's website to get information (often called your student portal). Not checking the portal is the #1 cause for students missing deadlines and having their admissions rescinded.



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## **Private/ Independent Universities and Colleges**

Most have their own due dates and applications, although many use the common application.

([www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)) 400+ colleges take this application, including Stanford, Yale, and the University of San Francisco. Use [www.californiacolleges.edu](http://www.californiacolleges.edu) to explore more colleges. [www.cccapply.org](http://www.cccapply.org) for all California Community Colleges (there are 116).

## **California State University**

<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply>

October 1-November 30. Entry requirements, Impacted Programs, A-G lists, EOP program, school costs, CSU Preview days and Open Houses are all listed under this website. The application has a tutorial link to it as well as FAQ (frequently asked questions). IF you qualify for a fee waiver, you may apply to up to 4 schools at no cost. Otherwise the cost is \$70.00 (credit/debit card) per campus. This application is easy to complete, no essays or letters of recommendation are required. CSU's want applications as early as possible. A list of approved courses are on A-G lists for UC/CSU:

<https://hs-articulation.ucop.edu/agcourselist>

General Eligibility Index is 2950, but competitive schools have their own (ex: SDSU).

\* Do applications early, most CSU's and UC's will be closed during the last week in November.

## **University of California**

October 1- November 30. This application requires essays that you should be working on in English classes. IF you qualify for a fee waiver, you may apply to up to 4 schools at no cost. Otherwise the cost is \$70.00 (credit/debit card) per campus. You will need a transcript and only classes on the UC A-G list go on application. For UC's you will need to list all A-G classes that you have completed, including repeated courses. Application is open.

## **Application Tips:**

For the **California State University** repeated classes, list the higher grade only. List college classes that you have taken and have on our transcript or will provide a transcript. Most SHS classes are A-G approved with the exception of PE and a few others.

## **Important Websites**

[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org) – On-line SAT registration, practice questions, college information for U.S.

[www.act.org](http://www.act.org) - ACT information and registration

[www.calstate.edu/apply](http://www.calstate.edu/apply) - CSU application & info

[www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions) - UC online application

[www.cccapply.org](http://www.cccapply.org) - Information on all Calif. Community Colleges

<https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/> - For student athletes in Division 1, 2, or 3

[www.californiacolleges.edu](http://www.californiacolleges.edu) - All colleges in the state, planner

<https://studentaid.gov> - Application for financial aid

<https://dream.csac.ca.gov/landing> - Dream Act application

[www.collegeboard.com/ap/students](http://www.collegeboard.com/ap/students) - Sample AP questions, test info.

[www.tuitionfundingsources.com](http://www.tuitionfundingsources.com) – Scholarship and college info.

<https://www.salinasuhd.org/domain/375-local-scholarships>, through SHS

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com) - Nationwide scholarship info.