WELCOME TO THE BRUIN FAMILY

Congratulations! We are honored that your student is now officially a member of our campus community. Now is the time to delve into all that UCLA has to offer, not only to your student but to you as well. This guide is full of information and resources to help you stay informed about UCLA.
ACADEMICS

The UCLA Degree
UCLA seeks to provide students with a liberal arts education that brings together perspectives from many fields in a unified approach to learning. After sampling many general subjects, students concentrate on one field or subject and are required to pursue it rigorously and in depth. Depending on program of study, components of the degree may include:

- University Requirements: Entry-Level Writing/ESL Entry-Level Writing & American History and Institutions
- College or School Requirements: Writing I/ESL Writing I, Writing II/ESL Writing II, Quantitative Reasoning, Foreign Language
- General Education (GE) Courses
- Diversity Course
- Ethics Course
- Departmental Requirements: Preparation for the Major & Major Requirements
- Electives: Elective units are used to fulfill the minimum unit requirement

ACADEMIC RESOURCES

Counseling Units
In addition to the five schools at UCLA, students may seek academic advising from the following:
Academic Advancement Program - 1232 Campbell Hall, (310) 825-1481
Counseling Assistants - A316 Murphy Hall, (310) 825-1553
Honors Programs - A311 Murphy Hall, (310) 825-1553
Intercollegiate Athletics - Morgan Center, (310) 825-8699
Departmental Advisors are professional staff members hired to advise specific majors.

Study Abroad
The UC-wide Education Abroad Program (EAP) offers students the opportunity to study in over 140 exchange programs spanning more than 40 countries. Students can spend a summer, semester, or year abroad, and courses taken may be counted towards major, minor, or GE requirements. Other options include programs through UCLA Summer Sessions and the EXPO Center.

Undergraduate Research Centers
Staff in the two Undergraduate Research Centers help students find their place in the research community and provide information about undergraduate research programs.

CONTACTS

UCLA College
A316 Murphy Hall
(310) 825-3382
www.college.ucla.edu

School of the Arts and Architecture
2200 Broadway Art Center
(310) 206-3564
www.arts.ucla.edu

Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science
6426 Boelter Hall
(310) 825-2826
www.engineer.ucla.edu

School of Nursing
2-200 Louis Factor Building
(310) 206-8741
www.nursing.ucla.edu

School of Theater, Film and Television
103 East Melnitz Building
(310) 206-8441
www.tft.ucla.edu

College Academic Counseling (CAC)
A-316 Murphy Hall
(310) 825-3382
www.ugeducation.ucla.edu/counseling

UC Educational Ad Program
ideo.ucla.edu/uceap

Undergraduate Research
www.ucla.edu/research/
undergraduate-research
**POLICIES**

**True Bruin**
Based on the May 2005 “Statement of Ethical Values” issued by the Regents of the University of California, UCLA developed its own statement of core values. These values have been embraced as standards for the entire UCLA community of students, faculty, staff, and alumni.

As a Bruin, I commit myself to the highest ethical standards.

**Respect** - I respect the rights and dignity of others.

**Accountability** - I am accountable as an individual and member of this community for my ethical conduct.

**Integrity** - I conduct myself with integrity in my dealings with and on behalf of the University.

**Service** - I will make an impact in our global community through service.

**Excellence** - I conscientiously strive for excellence in my work.

**Student Conduct**
As a student and member of the UCLA community, your student is expected to demonstrate integrity in all their endeavors. The Office of the Dean of Students is charged with investigating and adjudicating suspected violations of the Student Conduct Code, including academic dishonesty. There are also a number of other UCLA and UC policies that apply to students, who are expected to make themselves aware of and comply with the law, and with UC and campus policies and regulations.

The UCLA Student Conduct Code has been developed to maintain a safe, supportive and inclusive community that engages students in order to foster their academic success, personal growth and responsible citizenship. Students are considered to be maturing adults who are capable of making their own decisions and accepting the consequences of those decisions.

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Office of the Dean of Students
1206 Murphy Hall
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Los Angeles, CA 90095-1415
(310) 825-3871
www.deanofstudents.ucla.edu
www.deanofstudents.ucla.edu/
Student-Conduct
TRANSPORTATION & SAFETY

Parking & Transportation
Students interested in purchasing parking permits may access the online parking application with their UCLA logon ID, and personalized parking options will be displayed based on campus data (class standing, housing status, etc.). Parking offers will be prioritized according to the class standing listed in the student database. Application deadlines and permit rates can be found on the Student Parking website.

There are also several convenient and sustainable mobility options available to students including discounted public transit passes and vanpool programs. If students participate in any of the green commute options below, you may be eligible to join the Bruin Commuter Club and gain access to special perks and benefits, which can be found on their website.

- Public Transit
- Bike
- Walk
- Vanpool
- Carpool
- Campus Shuttles

UCLA Police Department
The UCLA Police Department is part of the statewide UC Police system that provides quality public safety services and innovative programs to serve the university community. UCLA PD sets a standard of excellence in law enforcement and serves a multicultural educational environment of over 75,000 faculty, staff and students. The department employs about 62 sworn officers, 46 civilians and 130 students.

BruinAlert Text Messaging
BruinAlert is a UCLA system used to communicate official information during an emergency or crisis situation that disrupts normal operation of the UCLA campus or threatens the health or safety of members of the campus community. UCLA students with current email addresses MyUCLA have been automatically enrolled in BruinAlert to receive email alerts. More information can be found at www.emergency.ucla.edu/bruinalert.
Parent & Family Programs
Whether the student is a freshman or transfer, a parent’s or family’s involvement in his or her life doesn’t end when college begins. The communication between student and family may change slightly — or dramatically. But no matter how that communication shifts, the Office of Parent & Family Programs serves as an on-campus resource for helping students navigate their experiences and needs while at UCLA.

Parent Philanthropy
As you develop a connection to UCLA, your philanthropic support is a meaningful way to improve the student experience and deepen your involvement as parents. Every gift makes a difference. The Office of Parent Philanthropy and Engagement will connect your passions to your philanthropy at UCLA.

Parent & Family Website
This website provides your family with the resources and tools to easily navigate UCLA. The website also contains additional information on all of the areas covered in this brochure, and helps provide a context for interpreting student life, academic expectations, student services and university regulations. It also serves as a resource for families, providing information on how to make the most of their UCLA experience, from volunteering to philanthropy.
**Housing & Residential Life**

**On Campus Housing/ UCLA Housing Services**
As part of a diverse community of more than 11,000 undergraduates, students have many opportunities for interactions that contribute to their academic success and personal growth. Studies show that students who live on campus perform better academically, have more contact with faculty and are happier with their college experience than students who commute. Students can choose from several on-campus housing options, all of which encourage discovery and emphasize community.

**Contacts**
- **UCLA Housing**
  - Housing Services are responsible for:
    - Placement in the residential halls and housing payments
    - Roommate selection
    - Meal Plans
    - [www.housing.ucla.edu](http://www.housing.ucla.edu)

- **Residential Life**
  - Residential Life is responsible for:
    - Residential Staff management
    - Programs and resources provided to residences
    - First Year Experience Programs
    - [www.reslife.ucla.edu](http://www.reslife.ucla.edu)

**First Year Experience Program (FYE)**
The mission of the First Year Experience Program (FYE) is to support the academic mission of the university, contribute to the creation of safe environments, promote responsible citizenship and foster student development for all new and continuing Bruins. Additionally, FYE will facilitate access and outreach to the broad variety of campus resources available to students.

*Photo courtesy of reslife.ucla.edu/sproul*
Campus Life

Student Organizations, Leadership & Engagement (SOLE) advises more than 1,000 campus organizations – there is truly something at UCLA for everyone. Students may browse these organizations and learn about getting involved at www.studentactivities.ucla.edu.

Greek Life
UCLA is home to more than 68 national and local Greek-letter organizations, representing 15% of the population. Fraternity and sorority members are committed to their academics, volunteer time in the community, develop and strengthen leadership skills, form a campus and cultural support network and have access to affordable housing on campus.

Athletics
UCLA Athletics are a source of pride and community, with 112 NCAA National Championships and a combined record of 22 National All-Around Excellence Awards as the country’s top overall program. Students receive highly discounted tickets for football and basketball, and free entry into all other UCLA sports events. Tickets may usually be purchased at the event or from the Central Ticket Office.

Recreation
UCLA is frequently ranked as one of the healthiest campuses in the United States, so it is no surprise that UCLA Recreation provides extensive access to a broad range of recreational activities and services, including intramural and club sports, fitness classes, and 14 university recreational and athletic facilities. UCLA students, through their tuition and fees, have access to recreational facilities.

Volunteer Center
The UCLA Volunteer Center seeks to inspire the extended UCLA family and the community at large to create social change through lifelong participation in volunteer programs or civic engagement. The UCLA Volunteer Center is your student’s first stop to find out how to get involved in community service work as a student.

True Bruin Traditions Keeper
The True Bruin Traditions Keeper award recognizes significant student engagement in the UCLA community through participation in a variety of campus traditions, services, and other activities. Students that complete the requirements earn a True Bruin Tradition Keeper medal that can be worn at Commencement.

CONTACTS

Student Activities
www.studentactivities.ucla.edu

Fraternity & Sorority Relations
(310) 825-6322
www.greeklife.ucla.edu

UCLA Athletics
http://uclabruins.com/

Central Ticket Office
(310) 825-2101
www.tickets.ucla.edu

Recreation
www.recreation.ucla.edu

Volunteer Center
www.volunteer.ucla.edu

True Bruin Traditions Keeper
www.newstudents.ucla.edu/traditions.html
Health & Wellness

The holistic health and wellness of UCLA students is important to the campus community. From eating well and staying active to managing stress, the services offered to students help them to advocate and manage their lifestyles in a healthy way. The wellness services on campus focus on student well-being by providing ongoing wellness workshops, participating in health-related outreach events.

The Arthur Ashe Student Health and Wellness Center

The Ashe Center is devoted to providing quality, accessible, state-of-the-art healthcare and education to support the unique development of UCLA students. Services include Primary Care, Women’s Health, Immunizations, Travel Medicine, Physical Therapy, Specialty Clinics, Optometry, Acupuncture and Massage. Students can schedule appointments online, in person, or by phone and can communicate with their primary care providers via secure electronic messaging. The Ashe Center also houses its own full-service Pharmacy, Laboratory and Radiology units. Current hours and more information on their services can be found on their website.

Health Insurance

Health insurance is a condition of enrollment for all students at UCLA. The cost of the Student Health Insurance Plan (UC SHIP) will be automatically assessed as part of registration fees each term and includes medical, vision, dental and behavioral health coverage. Students who have comparable health insurance may waive out of UC SHIP. Please visit the Insurance page of The Ashe Center website for more detailed information about coverage and benefits, rates and deadlines.

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

CAPS is a multidisciplinary student mental health center for the UCLA campus, supporting the academic and student development missions of the University and the Division of Student Affairs. Services and programs include:

• Individual counseling and psychotherapy, group therapy, couples counseling, emergency intervention, and psychological testing;
• Psychiatric evaluation and treatment;
• Crisis consultation, mentoring programs and organizational consultation;
• Psychoeducational programs and workshops; and
• Campus mental health and wellness promotion.

CONTACTS

Arthur Ashe Health and Wellness Center
(310) 825-4073
www.studenthealth.ucla.edu

Nutritional Education
https://housing.ucla.edu/dining-services/nutrition-education

Counseling and Psychological Services
(310) 825-0768
www.counseling.ucla.edu
FERPA & THIRD-PARTY ACCESS

Student Privacy
UCLA recognizes that the role of parent or family member does not end once the student begins college. However, it is important to note that the U.S. Department of Education developed the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) which states that once a student turns 18 or attends a school beyond the high school level the university cannot release information about the student to anyone – even parents or other family members. FERPA’s domain includes (but is not limited to) grades, disciplinary proceedings, billing and financial aid.

While a parent/guardian understandably has an interest in their student’s academic progress, they are not automatically granted access to the student’s records without his or her written consent. UCLA highly encourages parents/guardians to develop a relationship with their student that is based on trust and conducive to the student’s sharing information about college life. In other words, the best way to get information about the student is from the student directly.

Third-Party Access
In order to assist students and families in working together within the guidelines of FERPA, UCLA’s MyUCLA helps students manage their own records from the time they are applicants, during their studies and even after graduation. Additionally, MyUCLA allows students and families to work together to set up access to certain information for parents or other guardians.

“Third-Party Access” allows a student to give others access to their account. Students can grant access by individual function. Third parties can view Study List, Degree Audit Report (DAR), Grades and GPA, Registration Status, Holds, BruinBill Account, Financial Aid and Address. Students can authorize third parties to have view-only access to their student records and direct access to their BruinBill account. In addition, the student can elect to have the third party receive billing emails.

Please be advised that being granted third-party access on MyUCLA is not equivalent to having filled out a universal FERPA waiver at UCLA. Currently, there is no universal waiver form for the campus.

To set up Third-Party Access:
1. Students must agree that they have read and understand FERPA restrictions
2. The third party must create a UCLA logon account at logon.ucla.edu
3. Once the third party UCLA logon is established, the student logs on to MyUCLA and gives access to the third party in the settings on the top right-hand corner of the MyUCLA homepage (www.my.ucla.edu).