

University of California- Santa Barbara Info Guide

School General Info:

- Location: Located in Santa Barbara County, California, ten miles west of downtown Santa Barbara.
- School Type: UCSB is a public institution founded in 1909.
- School Size: 23,349 total undergraduate enrollment.
- Average Class Size: 73% of classes fewer than 30 students.
- Student-to-Faculty Ratio: 18:1
- Graduation Rate: 82.3%
- Acceptance Rate: 29.6%
- Tuition: In-state tuition is \$14,391 and Out-of-state tuition is \$44,145.

Application Info:

- Application Fee: \$70
- Test-Optional (SAT/ACT will NOT be used in admission decisions or scholarship selection)
- GPA is REQUIRED
- Average GPA: 4.12
- GPA is calculated from 10th and 11th grade ONLY
- Applications open August 1st
- All Submission Period: November 1-30th
- Application is the same for all UC schools
- Applications found on the University of California website

Student Life (Extracurricular, Greek Life, Etc):

- 53% female students
- 47% male students
- Offers over 500 student run organizations
- Offers pools, courts, weight rooms, cardio equipment, a hot tub and more.
- Offers Student Communities
- 12,000 students participate in UCSB Intramural Sports each year

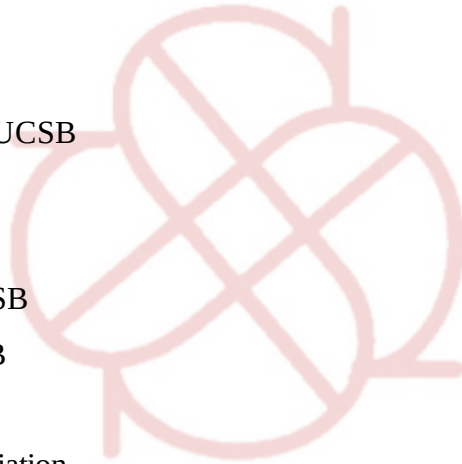
Opportunities:

- Internships in galleries, art museums, and architecture offices are offered.
- Offers study abroad.
- 600 summer courses.
- Offers research (UCSB is the only research institution out of 65 schools, to be elected for membership in the prestigious Association of American Universities).

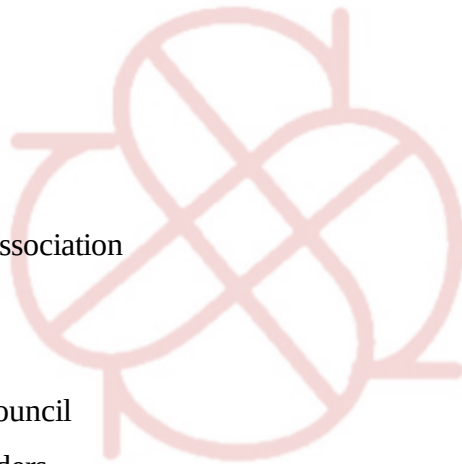
Extracurriculars:

- Active Minds
- Acts2fellowship Christian Fellowship
- Adventures in Caring
- Alpha Kappa Psi
- Alpha Omega Campus Ministry
- Alpha Phi Omega Alpha Sigma Kappa Sorority
- American Association of University Women
- American Indian and Indigenous Student Association
- American Indian Science and Engineering Society
- American Institute of Chemical Engineers
- American Marketing Association
- American Medical Women's Association
- American Red Cross Club at UCSB
- American Society for Molecular Biology and Biochemistry (UCSB Chapter)
- American Society of Mechanical Engineers
- Anakbayan Santa Barbara
- Anime Club
- Armenian Student Association
- Asian American Christian Fellowship
- Association for Women in Mathematics
- Association of Computing Machinery
- Best Buddies UCSB
- Big Ideas Group at UCSB

- Biomedical Engineering Society UCSB Student Chapter
- Black Reign
- Black Students in STEM
- Blockchain at UCSB
- Brain Exercise Initiative
- Breaching Biotech
- Bren School Sustainability Committee
- Bridge Club
- Brothas From Otha Mothas A Cappella
- Burmese Student Association
- California Public Interest Research Group
- CalTeachTogether
- Camp Kesem UCSB
- Campus Democrats at UCSB
- Cannalub@UCSB
- Chabad UCSB
- Chemistry Club at UCSB
- Chess Society at UCSB
- Chi Alpha at UCSB
- Chinese Student Association
- Registered Campus Organization - Cultural
- Chinese Students and Scholars Association
- Circle K International
- Civil Robotics Firefighting
- Collective for Clean Energy
- Collective of Pueblos Originarios in Diaspora
- Collegiate Chapter of SAE International at the University of California, Santa Barbara
- Communication Association
- Community Emergency Response Team
- Comunidad Latinx Graduación (CLG)
- Contemporary Dance Club



- Coptic Club at UCSB
- Cotillion Dance Club
- Crescendo for a Cause
- Cricket @ UCSB
- CrossFit Club at UCSB
- Cub Support
- Curling Club at UCSB
- Dance Company at UCSB
- Debate Team at UCSB
- Delta Epsilon Mu
- Delta Gamma
- Delta Sigma Pi
- Design at UCSB
- Destino
- Dhadkan at UCSB
- East African Student Association
- Effective Altruism
- El Congreso de UCSB
- Engineering Student Council
- Engineers Without Borders
- Enjoyers of Christ
- Envision at UCSB
- Epic Movement
- Esports at UCSB
- Ethics Bowl at UCSB
- Falun Dafa Club at UCSB
- Family Student Housing Tenants Union
- Fashion Club at UCSB
- FeelGoodSB
- Female Actuarial Organization
- Figure Skating Club at UCSB



- Filipinx Association for Health Careers
- Filipinx In Education Reaffirming Community Empowerment
- Floating Doctors at UCSB
- Freedom 4 Youth Advocates
- Future Physicians for Healthcare Reform
- Game Development Club
- Gaucho Creative Marketing Group
- Gaucho Tour Association
- Girl Up
- Global Medical Missions Alliance
- GoGaucho
- Goleta Coast Audubon Society Student Conservation Chapter
- Graduate Student Association
- Greeks Go Green
- Greenhouse and Garden Project
- Groove to Street Dance
- Health & Equity Alliance at UCSB
- Health Profession's Association
- Health, Environment, Animal Rights
- Hermanas Unidas Inc.
- Hermanos Unidos de UCSB
- History Club @ UCSB
- Hong Kong Student Association
- Horizons Incentive Program
- Horse Boarder's Association
- Human Resource Association
- Human Rights Watch Collegiate Counsel
- Iaorana Te Otea
- IDEAS
- In Between
- Indian Association @ UCSB

- Indus
- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
- Inter-Greek Council
- Interesting Hobbies Club
- International Chinese Advocacy Network
- International Student Association
- InterVals A Cappella
- InterVarsity Christian Fellowship
- Investment Connection at UCSB
- Iranian Jewish Student Association
- Isla Vista Compost Collective
- Isla Vista Kiteboarding Club
- Isla Vista Surfrider
- Isla Vista Trading Post
- IslaVistaCraft-Minecraft Community at UCSB
- J Street U at UCSB
- Japanese Student Association at UCSB
- Jasmine Echo -- Traditional Chinese Music Ensemble
- Jewish Greek Council
- Jewish Routes at UCSB
- Judo Club
- Juggling Club at UCSB
- Kids in Nutrition
- Korean American Student Association
- Latinx Business Association
- Laughology at UCSB
- Lean On Me: UCSB
- Los Curanderos
- Mapache Discourse
- MCC Council
- Med Ventures at UCSB

- MEDLIFE
- Mixed Student Union @ UCSB
- Mock Trial Team at UCSB
- Model United Nations at UCSB
- Mood Psychology
- Moot Court at UCSB
- Morning Sign Out at UCSB
- Mu Delta Pre-Medical Fraternity
- Music Connection
- Music Teachers of Isla Vista at UCSB
- Muslim Student Association
- Naked Voices A Cappella
- National Cervical Cancer Coalition
- National Society of Black Engineers
- National Society of Collegiate Scholars
- Nikkei Student Union
- Olive Tree Initiative, UCSB Chapter
- OpenMeal UCSB
- Period Chapter at UCSB's logo
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- Persian Student Group
- Phi Delta Epsilon
- Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity
- Photography Club at UCSB
- Photonics Society at UCSB
- Physics Discord at UCSB
- Physics Organization for Innovation and Technology
- Pilipino Cultural Night
- Planned Parenthood Generation Action
- Poets' Club
- Political Science Club at UCSB

- Polo at UCSB
- Pops Orchestra at UCSB
- Pre- Veterinary Medical Association
- Pre-Dental Organization
- Pre-Law Society at UCSB
- Pre-Pharmacy Student Association
- Pre-Physician Assistant Association
- Premedical Society
- Professional Fraternity Council
- Project HEAL
- Project Lighthouse at UCSB
- The Teddy Bear Club at UCSB
- The Wildlife Society
- Theta Nu Kappa Multicultural & Academic Fraternity Inc.
- Um...Magazine
- Umma Swim and Surf
- Undergraduate Accounting Society
- Undergraduate Diversity and Inclusion in Physics
- United Student Labor Action Coalition
- Untitled Dance Company
- Vagabond: Multilingual Journal
- Vietnamese Student Association
- VocalMotion
- Women in Computer Science
- Women in Cybersecurity, UCSB Chapter
- Women in Media
- Womxn's Ensemble Theatre Troupe
- Womxn/hacks
- WORD Magazine
- Worldhealer's Global Awareness Club at UCSB
- Young Democratic Socialists of America at UCSB

- Your Children's Trees at UCSB
- Youth Movement Against Alzheimer's
- Zeta Sigma Nu

Greek Life:

- Fraternity and sorority life is a crucial factor of UCSB student culture.
- 11% of students are a part of Greek-lettered organization.
- There are 4 Fraternity & Sorority Councils with 2,500 students participating.
- UCSB is considered a “party school”.
- UCSB is ranked 15th out of 1,587 schools for top party life and 19th out of 817 schools for the best greek life.

Sports and Athletics:

- UC Santa Barbara Gauchos- Intercollegiate athletic teams that represent UCSB.
- Gauchos participate in 19 NCAA Divisions.
- Offers the following sports: Baseball, Cross Country, Basketball, Golf, Indoor Track, Outdoor Track, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Volleyball and Water Polo.
- A total number of 569 student athletes participate in varsity sports.

Academic:

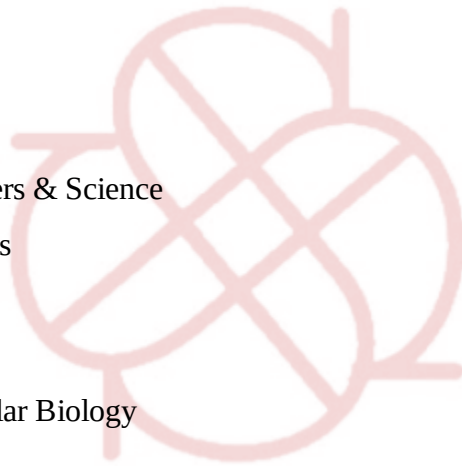
- UCSB has 5 schools
 - College of Creative Studies
 - College of Engineering
 - College of Letters and Science
 - Bren School of Environmental Science & Management
 - Gevirtz Graduate School of Education
- Core Curriculum/Requirements:
 - UCSB is a science and arts school
 - For units, you must complete a total of either 180 or 184 units, including at least 60 upper division units.
 - General Education Requirements:

- Area A: English Reading and Composition
- Area B: Foreign Language
- Area C: Science, Mathematics, and Technology
- Area D: Social Science
- Area E: Culture and Thought
- Area F: Arts
- Area G: Literature

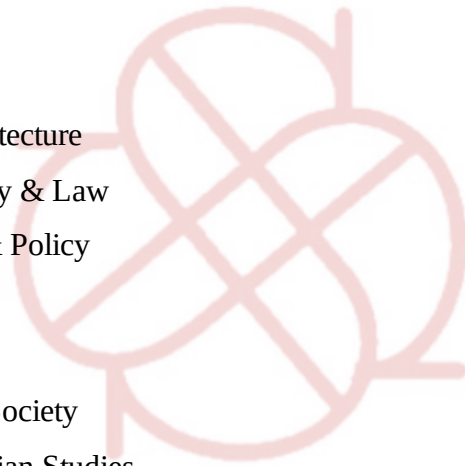
Majors:

College of Letters and Science:

- Actuarial Science
- Anthropology
- Applied Mathematics
- Aquatic Biology
- Art for College of Letters & Science
- Asian American Studies
- Asian Studies
- Biochemistry
- Biochemistry - Molecular Biology
- Biological Sciences
- Biopsychology
- Black Studies
- Cell & Developmental Biology
- Chemistry
- Chicano & Chicana Studies
- Chinese
- Classics
- Communication
- Comparative Literature
- Dance
- Earth Science



- Ecology & Evolution
- Economics
- Economics & Accounting
- English
- Environmental Studies
- Feminist Studies
- Film & Media Studies
- Financial Mathematics & Statistics
- French
- Geography
- German
- Global Studies
- History
- History of Art & Architecture
- History of Public Policy & Law
- Hydrologic Sciences & Policy
- Italian Studies
- Japanese
- Language, Culture & Society
- Latin American & Iberian Studies
- Linguistics
- Mathematics for College of Letters & Science
- Medieval Studies
- Microbiology
- Middle East Studies
- Music Studies
- Pharmacology
- Philosophy
- Physical Geography
- Physics for College of Letters & Science
- Physiology



- Political Science
- Portuguese
- Psychological & Brain Sciences
- Religious Studies
- Sociology
- Russian & East European Studies
- Spanish
- Statistics & Data Science
- Theater
- Zoology

College of Engineering:

- Chemical Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Electrical Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering



College of Creative Studies:

- Art for College of Creative Studies
- Biology
- Chemistry and Biochemistry
- Computing
- Mathematics for College of Creative Studies
- Music Composition
- Physics for College of Creative Studies
- Writing and Literature

Dorms/Housing:

- UCSB has on-campus housing and off-campus housing.
- UCSB has 9 residence halls.

- **Resident Halls:**

- **Anacapa:**

- Campus: main east
 - Residents: 450
 - Makeup: undergrad
 - Notes: two-story building

- **Manzanita Village:**

- campus: main west
 - residents: 800
 - makeup: undergrad
 - notes: 17 3-4 story buildings/houses

- **San Miguel:**

- Campus: main east
 - Residents: 400
 - Makeup: undergrad
 - Notes: two 8-story towers

- **San Nicolas:**

- Campus: main east
 - Residents: 400
 - Makeup: undergrad
 - Notes: one 8-story

- **San Rafael:**

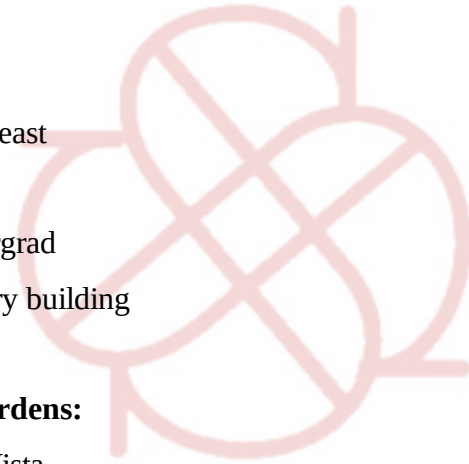
- Campus: main west
 - Residents: 600
 - Makeup: undergrad
 - Notes: tower & clusters

- **Santa Catalina:**
- Campus: storke
- Residents: 1325
- Makeup: undergrad
- Notes: two 10-story towers

- **Santa Cruz:**
- Campus: main east
- Residents: 450
- Makeup: undergrad
- Notes: two-story building

- **Santa Rosa:**
- Campus: main east
- Residents: 450
- Makeup: undergrad
- Notes: two-story building

- **Tropicana Gardens:**
- Campus: Isla Vista
- Residents: 550
- Makeup: undergrad
- Notes: 2 & 3 story buildings



On-Campus/Environment/Dining:

- Freshmans are recommended to live on campus, but not required to.
- 97% of freshmen live on campus.
- Beachy city
- 708-acre campus
- CalFresh is a federally funded nutritional assistance program that provides eligible participants with up to \$204 each month to spend on groceries.

- Students have several options – both on campus and within the community – to access staple items, fresh produce, and other necessities for a healthy, nutritious diet.
- Students may go to Isla Vista Food Co-op offer high quality, affordable selections of groceries.

Off-Campus:

- 61% of students live off campus (most being upper class).
- When students look to live off-campus, they use The Heart of Isla Vista: UCSB Off-Campus Housing Postings.

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