

Applying to University of California School Tip Sheet 2020-21

- Use one application to apply to any University of California School
- Only need to send test scores to one UC school, they will upload into their system for any of the UC's to see.
- No letters of recommendation will be accepted, UC Berkeley will reach out if they want one early 2nd semester.
- Right Rail shows your progression. A circle with a checkmark in it shows that section is complete.
- There is an application fee of \$70 per campus.
- Students will need to self-report their transcript, they do not accept separate transcripts.

ACADEMIC HISTORY

- List any middle school Math under 7th and 8th grade section (ie, Algebra 1, Geometry)
- List any relevant world language courses under 7th and 8th grade section (ie, Spanish 1)
- Searching for Stevenson High School, choose Lincolnshire, IL (CEEB: 143-550)
- Note: indicate SHS "does not have a specialized curriculum"
- Attending: Start Date: August 2017 & End Date: May 2021 (unless you transferred)
- Grading System: A B C D F
- Term System: Semester
- Diploma received: May 2021
- Any summer school courses taken prior to 9th grade, include course(s) in 9th grade courses
- If any college/university-level courses (ie, dual credit) were completed while in high school, add the college information after the high school information.
- SHS Honors courses should be labeled as "HL - UC-approved honors level"
- Accelerated and College Prep courses should be listed as "Not honors"
- AP courses should be listed as "AP - Advanced Placement" (not Honors)
- Scroll down to "College Prep Electives" to view additional course options
- Most non-core elective courses, with the exception of "Visual and Performing Arts," cannot be listed on the application
- Even if a course is GPA waived, you must report the grade
- "NO" = No course this term (ie, one semester electives)
- "IP" courses should be your 1st semester senior year courses
- "PL" courses should be your 2nd semester senior year courses
- Additional information is truly optional and could highlight any relevant personal/academic issues (550 characters maximum)

TEST SCORES

- Do not superscore and do not allow mixing scores from different dates
- ACT Writing AND SAT Essay scores cannot be reported
- Future test date administrations cannot be reported on application

ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS

- Twenty total are allowed but UC focuses on genuine commitment, interests, leadership and responsibility

PERSONAL INSIGHT QUESTIONS

- Answer 4 of the 8 listed questions
- Tip: show different sides of yourself; try not to be redundant
- Keep responses between 250-350 words for each question

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Completely optional, can write up to 550 words to describe any other relevant, personal circumstances (this is not the space to include an additional personal statement)