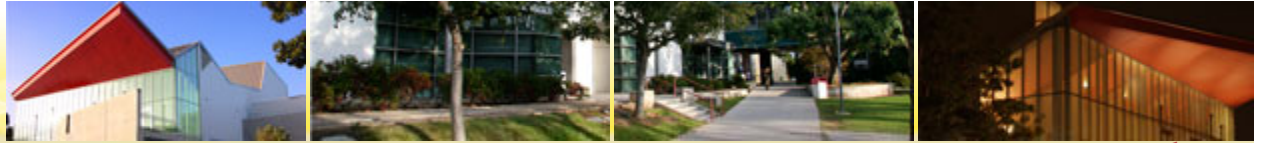


# Community College Overview

- Largest higher educational system in the nation
- 72 districts
- 109 colleges
- 2.5 million students
- \$20 per unit
- Open access



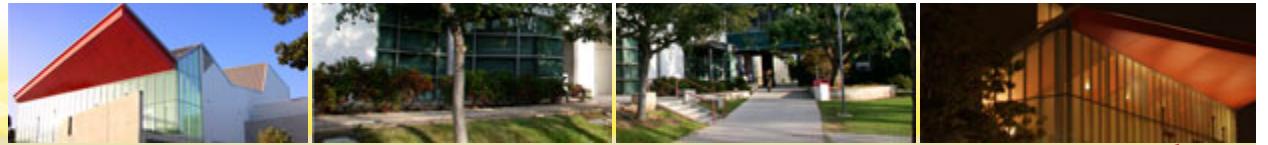
# Community College Missions

- Workforce Training
- Basic skills education
- Personal enrichment
- Lifelong learning
- High school academic enrichment
- Transfer to four-year colleges



## Students should consider the transfer path if they

- Haven't decided on academic or career goals
- Haven't met requirements for freshman admission
- Aren't ready or able to leave home
- Want the affordability of community colleges
- Want additional academic preparation or exploration in specific academic areas



## **The California *Master Plan for Higher Education* specifies**

The University of California will offer priority admission to all UC-eligible California Community Colleges transfer students

To ensure spaces for CCC transfers, the University of California will achieve an enrollment ratio of 60% upper-division to 40% lower-division students

More than 90% of all transfer students offered admission are California Community College students.

- One-third of UC bachelor's degrees awarded each year go to transfer students.
- Lower-division transfer preparation paths are available for UC's top 20 transfer majors: [uctransfer.org](http://uctransfer.org)
- 7 campuses offer transfer admission guarantees
- UC offered a space to every fall 2008 California community college student who was UC-eligible
- Several UC campuses are offering winter/spring 2009 admission to California community college students

# Community College Recommendations

- Students need same level of preparation as four-year college
- Community colleges – open door, not revolving door
- students
- Community colleges utilize Enrollment Management recruitment practices
- Change the Message: Community college is still College.

## #1 Improving college readiness: take rigorous college prep courses *throughout* high school

- Take math *all four years* in high school
- Take advantage of early assessments
  - CSU's Early Academic Assessment exams in English and mathematics
  - Community college assessment/placement exams
- Concurrent enrollment opportunities enables students to experience college while in high school
- Take advantage of summer sessions

## Research your options

- Not all community colleges offer the same programs or opportunities for students
- Investigate which CCCs offer most transferable courses for prospective major(s)
- Decide on a major and campus no later than the start of sophomore year at CCC
- Know which UC campus(es) and major(s) you want to target and which have transfer guarantee programs
- Follow recommended curriculum for major (including competitive GPA)
- Be sure GE pattern you follow is appropriate for intended major, campus

# Why Colleges Need Transfer Students

- Diversity of Backgrounds
  - Age, Marital Status, Military and Work Experience
- Diversity of Majors
  - Often selecting majors that incoming Freshmen don't always consider an option
- Level of Maturity
- The Cost to Colleges

Welcome Additions to Campus Life

# Benefits of Being a Transfer Student

- Admissibility is different for first time Freshmen compared to incoming Transfers
- East of Transferring- Transfer Agreements, Outlined Steps
- Affordability
- Starting in on the major
- Ease of getting classes
- Working closely with faculty and advisors
- "Testing the Waters" first
- Breaking free of the high school record
- Bypassing SAT/ACT testing
- Taking the time to investigate which college is right for you!!!

# Transfer 101

- Build a Bridge- working with your college counselors (2 yr. and 4 yr)
- Attend College Fairs and Rep Appointments
- Take advantage of meetings on college campuses
- Know your colleges and start looking early
- Experiment with your potential major

# Transfer 101

- Don't shy away from key classes
  - Ex. Math, English, F. Lang., Major Prep
- Keep up the GPA
- Consistency of enrollment, are gaps addressed
- Taking a full load of classes
  - Ex. 12-15 units, per semester
- Investigate campus living options
- Get involved- Get connected



# Chapman University- The Transfer Process

Transfer Students: Many Paths,  
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# Chapman University- The Transfer Process

- Fall and Spring Admission for 2008
- 24+ transferrable units= Waives SAT/ACT
- 60+ transferrable units= Waives HS Work
- Majors to be cautious about: Film Production, Film Screenwriting
- Advising Appointments on and off campus
- Acceptance of CSU and IGETC Cert
- Key Classes- English, Math, F. Language
- Merit and Talent Scholarships
- Living on Campus options

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**Thank you for  
Attending**

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