



# ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE CALENDAR 2025–26

## UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ

### Key Dates

	Fall '25	Winter '26	Spring '26	Summer '26
<b>QUARTER BEGINS</b>	Sept 20 Sat	Jan 5 Mon	Mar 30 Mon	June 22 Mon
<b>ORIENTATION</b> See orientation schedule for details ( <a href="http://orientation.ucsc.edu">orientation.ucsc.edu</a> ).				
<b>INSTRUCTION BEGINS</b>	Sept 25 Thur	Jan 5 Mon	Mar 30 Mon	June 22 Mon
<b>INSTRUCTION ENDS</b>	Dec 5 Fri	Mar 13 Fri	June 5 Fri	Aug 28 Fri
<b>FINAL EXAMINATIONS</b>	Dec 8-12 Mon-Fri	Mar 16–20 Mon-Fri	June 8–11 Mon-Thur	varies
<b>QUARTER ENDS</b>	Dec 12 Fri	Mar 20 Fri	June 11 Thur	Aug 28 Fri
<b>NUMBER OF DAYS OF INSTRUCTION</b>	M-10, T-10, W-9, Th-10, F-10	M-8, T-10, W-10, Th-10, F-10	M-9, T-10, W-10, Th-10, F-10	
<b>TOTAL DAYS OF INSTRUCTION</b>	49	48	49	
<b>COMMENCEMENTS</b>			June 12–15* Fri–Mon*	

\*Pending Confirmation

#### HOLIDAYS OBSERVED

Sept. 1–Labor Day	March 27–César Chávez Day
Nov. 11–Veterans Day	May 25–Memorial Day
Nov. 27–28–Thanksgiving Holidays	June 19–Juneteenth Day
Jan. 19–Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	July 3–Independence Day
Feb. 16–Presidents' Day	Sept. 7–Labor Day

**WINTER HOLIDAYS** Dec. 24, 25, 31, Jan 1

**CAMPUS CLOSURE DATES** Dec. 22–Jan. 4

### Advising and Advance Enrollment

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#### Continuing and Readmitted Students (includes visitors)

<b>ENROLLMENT PREP WEEK</b>	May 12-16	Nov 6-12	Feb 18-24	Mar 15
Continuing and readmitted undergraduates. Class search available.	Mon-Fri	Thur-Wed	Wed-Tues	Sun
<b>PRIORITY ENROLLMENT BEGINS</b>	May 19	Nov 13	Feb. 25	May 1
Continuing and readmitted graduate and undergraduate students, by appointment.	Mon	Thur	Wed	Fri

#### Priority Enrollment for Fall 2026

<b>ENROLLMENT PREP WEEK</b>	May 11-15
	Mon-Fri
<b>PRIORITY ENROLLMENT BEGINS</b>	May 18

Enrollment continues following priority enrollment. For more information, see the online [Schedule of Classes](#). For more dates for first and second pass, and waitlist appointments, see Schedule of Classes.

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#### New Students

##### PRIORITY ENROLLMENT

New graduate students.	June 26 Thur	Dec 11 Thur
New undergraduates by appointment	Aug 8-21 Fri-Thur	Nov 13 Thur

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<b>GRADUATE LEAVE OF ABSENCE</b>	Aug 7 Thur	Nov. 6 Thur	Feb 11 Wed	
Deadline to petition for a Leave of Absence except for emergencies.				
<b>E-BILLS AVAILABLE ON UCSC eBILL/ePAY</b>	Aug 29 Fri	Nov 26 Wed	Feb 27 Fri	Varies*
Including registration and housing fees.				
<b>STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE WAIVER</b>	Sept 19 Fri	Dec 19 Fri	Mar 13 Fri	July 1 Wed
Deadline to apply for waiver. Cowell Student Health Center.				
<b>MINIMUM CREDIT LIMIT ENFORCED</b>	Sept 16 Tues	Dec 29 Mon	Mar 23 Mon	
Twelve credits for undergraduates and five credits for graduates.				
<b>FINANCIAL AID DISBURSED TO STUDENT ACCOUNTS</b>	Sept 16 Tues	Dec 29 Mon	Mar 23 Mon	Varies*
<b>HOUSING AND DINING FEES DUE</b>	Sept 17 Wed	Dec 17 Wed	Mar 24 Tues	Varies*
Fees are paid at the Financial Service Center.				
<b>UNDERGRADUATE REGISTRATION FEES DUE</b>	Sept 17 Wed	Dec 17 Wed	Mar 24 Tues	Varies*
Fees are paid at the Financial Service Center.				
<b>GRADUATE LATE LEAVE OF ABSENCE DEADLINE</b>	Sept 25 Thur	Jan 5 Mon	Mar 30 Mon	
Deadline to petition for LOA; receive full registraion refund. Division of Grad. Studies.				
<b>WITHDRAW FROM THE UNIVERSITY</b>	Sept 25 Thur	Jan 5 Mon	Mar 30 Mon	N/A
Deadline to file to withdraw during quarter and receive full registration fees refund. College/Division of Graduate Studies.				
<b>CLASS PERMISSION NUMBERS REQUIRED</b>	Oct 4 Sat	Jan 14 Wed	Apr 8 Wed	N/A
<b>GRADUATE STUDENT ENROLLMENT AND FEE PAYMENT DEADLINE</b>	Oct 9 Thur	Jan 15 Thur	Apr 9 Thur	N/A
Fees are paid at the Financial Service Center.				
<b>GRADUATE STUDENT PART-TIME/IN ABSENTIA</b>	Oct 9 Thur	Jan 15 Thur	Apr 9 Thur	N/A
Deadline to apply for a reduced class load and fees. Department.				
<b>ADD/DROP/SWAP CLASSES ENDS</b>	Oct 15 Wed	Jan 26 Mon	Apr 17 Fri	Varies*
Deadline to process enrollment transactions. Students should be fully enrolled by this date.				
<b>OPT OUT OF UCSC AND UCGPC FEES</b>	Oct 15 Wed	Jan 26 Mon	Apr 17 Fri	N/A
Opt-out deadline for UC Student Association and Graduate Student Association fees.				
<b>UNDERGRADUATE PART-TIME PROGRAM</b>	Oct 15 Wed	Jan 26 Mon	Apr 17 Fri	N/A
Deadline to apply for a reduced class load and fees. Office of the Registrar.				
<b>LATE ADD/ADD BY PERMISSION BEGINS</b>	Oct 16 Thur	Jan 27 Tues	Apr 18 Sat	N/A
First day to add a class by permission. MyUCSC.				
<b>UNDERGRADUATE WITHDRAW FROM A CLASS BEGINS</b>	Oct 16 Thur	Jan 27 Tues	Apr 18 Sat	Varies*
First day to drop with a W (Withdraw) notation. MyUCSC.				
<b>DECLARATION/CHANGE OF MAJOR/MINOR</b>	Oct 24 Fri	Feb 6 Fri	Apr 24 Fri	N/A
Deadline to file petition. Contact your department for major/minor declaration information.				

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**UNDERGRADUATE WITHDRAW FROM A CLASS ENDS** Nov 5 Wed Feb 17 Tues May 8 Fri Varies\*

Deadline to petition for a W (Withdraw) grade notation, except for emergency reasons. MyUCSC.

**UNDERGRADUATE CREDIT BY PETITION ENDS** Nov 5 Wed Feb 17 Tues May 8 Fri N/A

Deadline to file petition to challenge a class. Office of the Registrar.

**WITHDRAW FROM UCSC/ LEAVE OF ABSENCE** Nov 5 Wed Feb 17 Tues May 8 Fri N/A

Undergraduates: deadline to petition to withdraw or to request a leave of absence, except for emergency reasons. College. Graduates: deadline to withdraw during the quarter, except for emergency reasons; for Leave of Absence, see below. Division of Graduate Studies.

**CHANGE OF COLLEGE** Nov 21 Fri Feb 27 Fri May 22 Fri N/A

Deadline to file petition to be effective the following quarter. College.

**UNDERGRAD/GRAD GRADE CHANGE OPTION** Nov 30 Sun Mar 6 Fri May 29 Fri Varies\*

Deadline to change grade option. MyUCSC.

**UNDERGRADUATE NO PASS FROM A CLASS ENDS** Nov 30 Sun Mar 6 Fri May 29 Fri Varies\*

Deadline to drop with a NP (No Pass) grade except for emergency reasons. MyUCSC.

**UNDERGRAD/GRAD LATE ADD PERMISSION ENDS** Nov 30 Sun Mar 6 Fri May 29 Fri N/A

Deadline to add a class by permission or petition. MyUCSC.

**UNDERGRAD/GRAD STUDENT REMOVAL OF INCOMPLETE** Dec 12 Fri Mar 20 Fri June 11 Thur Dec 11 Fri

Deadline to file petition and submit class work. Undergraduate Incomplete grade from preceding quarter. Graduate Incomplete grade within the last three quarters. Office of the Registrar.

**GRADES DUE** Dec 17 Wed Mar 24 Tues June 16 Tues TBD\*

From instructors.

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### Announcing Candidacy for Degree/Apply to Graduate

#### UNDERGRADUATES

Deadline for timely processing Oct 24 Jan 23 Feb 6 May 1 Apr 24 July 23 TBD Oct 9

**UNDERGRADUATES** Dec 12 Fri Mar 20 Fri June 11 Thur Aug 28 Fri

Deadline to complete all requirements for degree. Documentation received after this deadline will delay graduation processing.

**GRADUATE STUDENTS** Oct 9 Thur Jan 15 Thur Apr 9 Thur July 7 Mon

Deadline to announce for master's or Ph.D., or pay for filing fee, if applicable.

**GRADUATE STUDENTS** Dec 12 Fri Mar 20 Fri June 11\* Thur Aug 28 Fri

Deadline to complete all requirements for degree. Documentation received after this deadline will delay graduation processing.

\*Students participating in commencement need to complete all requirements by May 31 to be listed in the program.

### Intercampus Visitor/Exchange Programs

**UNDERGRADUATES** Apr 30 Office of the Registrar. Dec 1 Office of the Registrar. Jan 1 (Oct 31, UC Berkeley, UC Merced)

**GRADUATE STUDENTS** Aug. 30, 2025 (Aug 1, 2025, UC Berkeley, Merced) Dec. 1 March 1

### Financial Aid

#### FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION FOR UNDERGRADUATES

- Submit the free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [fafsa.gov](http://fafsa.gov) (or Dream App at [dream.csuc.ca.gov](http://dream.csuc.ca.gov) if applicable) by March 2 prior to each academic year for enrollment in fall 2025, file by April 2, 2025 for enrollment in fall 2026 file by March 02, 2026

- Complete your financial aid application by providing all supporting documentation requested via MyAid Verify as accessed through your MyUCSC To Do List by June 2 prior to the year for which you are applying (July 1 for new transfers).

- For summer consideration, complete a financial aid application as indicated above. Enroll by June 1 to ensure summer aid disburses on time.

#### FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION FOR GRADUATES

- To apply for federal student loans, submit the Free Application for Federal Aid (FAFSA) each year at [fafsa.gov](http://fafsa.gov). Applications are accepted throughout the academic year in which you are enrolled.
- To apply for other types of graduate support, contact your academic department.

### Readmission

#### UNDERGRADUATE READMISSION APPLICATION

Filing period for priority/first pass enrollment.

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Jan. 01, 2025- March 31, 2025	July 01, 2025 Sept. 30, 2025	Oct. 01, 2025- Dec. 31, 2025	Jan. 01, 2026- March 31, 2026

#### SUMMER/FALL EXTENDED APPLICATION PERIOD

April 1, 2026-May 31, 2026  
Late submission after April 1 may affect enrollment appointment.

#### GRADUATE STUDIES APPLICATION FOR READMISSION

Division of Graduate Studies.  
July 31, 2025 Thur Oct 31, 2025 Fri Jan 31, 2026 Sat Apr 30, 2026 Thur

### Summer Session 2026

Summer term active in class search-March 15, 2026  
Enrollment opens-May 01, 2026  
Session 1 dates-June 22-July 24, 2026  
Session 2 dates-July 27-Aug 28, 2026  
8-week dates-June 22-Aug 14, 2026  
10-week dates-June 22-Aug 28, 2026

For additional information, see [summer.ucsc.edu](http://summer.ucsc.edu).

### Additional Resources

For more information on procedures and deadlines, go to the UCSC [General Catalog](#) and [The Navigator](#) undergraduate handbook, or visit [registrar.ucsc.edu](http://registrar.ucsc.edu).

Graduate students may also refer to the [Graduate Student Handbook](#).

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