..planning guide for your future. 2013

## **AACE Educational Services Talent Search** Bai Zhen, Room 258F, Web: galileoweb.org/college

Options After High School	SAT vs. ACT	
☐ Vocational college or Apprenticeship ☐ Community College (AA/AS or Transfer) ☐ 4-Year College (BA/BS) ☐ Military	<b>ACT 36</b> 35 34 33	<b>SAT 2400</b> 2340 2260 2190
College List, Things to Consider:  1. academic/trade programs 2. size 3. location 4. student body diversity 5. cost	32 31 30 29 28 27	2130 2040 1980 1920 1860 1820
SAT Exam Date 2012: WEBSITE: www.collegeboard.org Nov. 3 (deadline: Fri, Oct. 4) Dec. 1 (deadline: Thu, Nov. 1) * Dec is the last exam you may take for most colleges. ACT EXAM Date 2012: WEBSITE: www.actstudent.org Oct 27 (deadline: Sept 21) Dec 8 (deadline: Nov 2) OFFICIALLY SEND SCORES EARLY! SAT: ALL CSU: 3594 CSU MENTOR	26 25 24 23 22 21 20 19 18 17 16 15	1760 1700 1650 1590 1530 1500 1410 1350 1290 1210 1140 1060 1000
under "more search options". SAT & ACT: Send it to one UC, all receive it.  TIP: Place your order to send scores before you take the exam to save money.	13 12 11	900 780 750

#### **WEB SITES**

1. CSU: www.csumentor.edu Deadline: Nov. 30

<b>EOP</b> www.csumentor.edu/planning/eop <b>Priority:</b> Nov. 3	0
EAP: csusuccess.org	
ELM/EPT: ept-elm.ets.org/CSU/	
2. UC: www.universityofcalifornia.edu Deadline: Nov. 3	0
Classes A-G List: doorways.ucop.edu/list	
3. Private College: commonapp.org	

CA Colleges: www.californiacolleges.edu

CA Private Colleges: www. aiccumentor.edu

4. CA Community Colleges: www.cccapply.edu

City College: www.ccsf.edu

CSM: collegeofsanmateo.edu 5. Fin-Aid: FAFSA, FREE App. for Fed. Student-Aid

WEB: Fafsa.gov Start: Jan. 1, Deadline: March 2 CSS Profile: profileonline.collegeboard.org

6. Gal Scholarships: galileoweb.org/college/scholarship More Scholarships: www.fastweb.com

Resources AB 540 undocumented students: e4fc.org

Fri, Oct. 12: 9-11, SFUSD College Fair: An opportunity to meet up over 60+ colleges. ALSO: Wed. Oct. 10, 5-7 PM College Fair at Serramonte Mall.

TIPS: Do your research on colleges PRIOR to attending the fair. Approach the colleges and ask them specific questions.

#### COLLEGE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

Feel free to ASK any of the 100+ college ambassadors for any information about college, financial-aid, deadlines, etc.

#### **UC Personal Statement:**

Instructions: Must respond to two prompts. Total max words is 1,000. No less than 250 words per prompt.

**#1:** Describe the world you come from — for example, your family, community or school — and tell us how has your world has shaped your dreams and aspirations.

**TIPS:** Ask Yourself: \* What one word best describes my family? \* What opportunities have been available to me at my school/ community? \* What has been the major issue confronting my family, community or school and what has been my role in addressing it? How have I changed as a result of addressing this major issue, and what impact has that change had on my dreams and aspirations? Why did I choose to do what I did?

#2: Tell us about a personal quality, talent, accomplishment, contribution or experience that is important to you. What about this quality or accomplishment makes you proud and how does it relate to the person you are?

TIPS: Ask yourself: What one word best describes me and captures my most important personal quality? What talent, accomplishment, contribution, or experience has best allowed me to express my most important personal quality.

\* TIPS: START EARLY, REFLECT & BRAINSTORM, WRITE CRITI-CALLY & PERSUASIVELY. PROVIDE SPECIFIC EXAMPLES. COM-POSE YOUR PS IN WORD DOC. PROOFREAD. GET FEEDBACK. RELAX.

# **FALL**

☐ <b>Review</b> college list & <b>start applying</b> for colleges.
☐ <b>ASK Two</b> teachers & 1 counselor for letter of rec.
<b>Create</b> a Resume/Fact Sheet for recommendations.
□NOV 30: <i>UC/CSU Deadline: Private: Varies</i>
☐ <b>Keep</b> login/password information safely.
SPRING
CSU: TAKE the ELM/EPT Early!
<b>SFSU Dates:</b> 1/18, 2/9, 3/16, 4/20, 5/5
☐ ALWAYS CHECK EMAIL & College Portal Websites
□Start FAFSA: Jan. 1, Deadline: March 2
CSS Profile: $\sim$ Feb. 1 (varies by college)
MARCH/APRIL: Decisions arrive. Stay calm. Breathe.
APRIL: Visit Colleges. Ask about fly-in programs.
☐ MAY 1: Statement of Intent to Register (SIR). Deposit

■ NO SENIORITIS: KEEP UP YOUR GRADES

■SUBMIT FINAL TRANSCRIPT for both HS & Colleges!



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## **FISKE SURVEY**

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<u>Academic</u> **Activities** 

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# 23 California State University (CSU) Apply between Oct. 1st - Nov. 30th **WEBSITE:** CSUMENTOR.EDU **GPA:** 2.0 Minimum MUST meet CSU Eligibility Index (see right) "C" or better in All A-G Classes SAT (only math/verbal) or ACT \* Focus on hands-on experience \* Faculty main focus teaching, not research \* Many Commuter Campus (Limited Housing)

# 9 University of California (UC) Apply between Oct. 1st - Nov. 30th WEBSITE: Universityofcalifornia.edu GPA: 3.0 Minimum "C" or better in all A-G SAT or ACT w/ Writing SAT II Subject highly recommended Personal Statement \* Focus on research \* Guaranteed Freshman Campus Housing

## 112 Community Colleges

Apply early in Spring semester of 12th grade WEBSITE: CCCAPPLY.ORG 100% acceptance rate

## No GPA or SAT required

\* Many vocational, technical programs available (e.g. Nursing, Culinary, etc). \* Associate Degrees in some fields \* Transfer agreements & guarantees with 7 out of 9 UC, many CSU.

## 75+ Private Colleges in CA

Ex: Stanford, USF, USC. Apply Aug-Jan WEBSITE: COMMONAPP.ORG

**GPA:** Varies by college (higher the better) SAT or ACT w/ Writing (depends on college)

SAT II Subject recommended (varies) Personal Statement & Letter of Rec

\*Smaller classes Better teacher to student ratio \* High graduation rate and can finish in 4-yrs

## **A-G Requirements:**

## See Full-List: doorways.ucop.edu/list

A: Social Science: 2 years

**B:** English: 4 yrs (ELD:1 yr only)

**C:** Mathematics: 3 yrs (4 rec)

**D:** Science: 2 yrs (3 rec)1 bio/1 phy

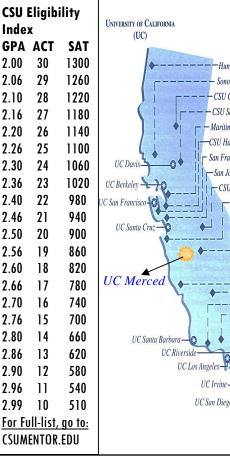
E: World Language: 2 yrs (3 rec)

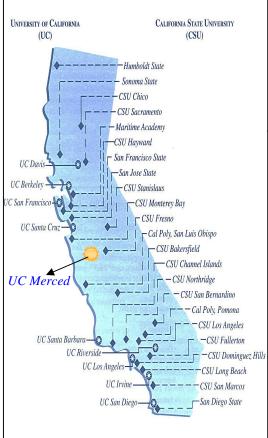
**F:** Visual/Performing Art: 1 yr

**G:** Elective: 1 yr of A-G course

Honors Weighted: American Democracy Honors, US History Honors, American Lit Honors, Pre-Calc Honors, Chem Honors, Bio Honors, Physic Honors, Chinese Honors 5/6, French 3,4 Honors, French 5/6 Honors, Spanish 5/6 Honors

ALL AP are Weighted: AP Govt, APUSH, AP World History, AP Eng Lang, AP Lit, AP Calc BC, AP Stats, AP Bio, AP Chem, APES, AP Physics B, C, AP Chinese, AP Spanish, AP Computer Science A





## **COLLEGE ADMISSION PRESENTATIONS**

**Location: Room 358** Oct. 1 SFSU, MCPHS Oct. 9: CSU Pomona, U. of Pacific, Clark U. Oct. 11: UN Las Vegas

## **COLLEGE APPS** ASSISTANCE **WORKSHOPS**

**Location: Room 104** Tues, Oct. 16 Mon, Oct. 22: Smith College Thu, Oct. 25: USF Mon, Oct. 29 Thu, Nov. 1 Mon, Nov. 5: UCB Tues, Nov. 13 Thu, Nov. 15 Mon. Nov. 19 Tues, Nov. 20: **CSU** East Bay Mon, Nov. 26: UCB

Tues, Nov. 27

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**NOV. 30 DEADLINE** 

Nov. 8 UCD Trip

TOP NATIONAL Colleges: Offers wide-range of undergrad majors (as well as masters and doctors); some emphasize research.

Harvard University (MA), Princeton (NJ), Yale (CT), Columbia (NY), CalTech, MIT, Stanford (CA), Univ. of Chicago, Univ. of Penn, Duke University, Dartmouth (NH), Northwestern (IL), Johns Hopkins (MD), Washington Univ. in St. Louis, Brown (RI), Cornell (NY), Rice (TX), Vanderbilt (TN), Univ. of Notre Dame (IN), Emory (GA), UCB\*, Georgetown (DC), Carnegie Mellon (PA), Univ. of Southern CA, UCLA\*, Univ. of Virginia\*, Wake Forest (NC), <u>Univ. of Michigan—Ann Harbor</u>\*, Tufts (MA), <u>Univ. of North Carolina-</u> Chapel Hill\*, Boston College, Brandeis (MA), College of William & Mary (VA)\*, NYU, Univ. of Rochester (NY), Georgia Tech\*, UCSD\*, Case Western Reserve Univ. (OH), Lehigh University (PA), UCD\*, University of Miami (FL), UCSB, Univ. of Washington\*, Univ of Wisconsin—Madison\*, Penn State U-University Park\*, UCI\*

TOP LIBERAL-ARTS Colleges: Emphasizes undergraduate education and awards at least half their degrees in the arts & sciences.

Williams College (MA), Amherst (MA), Swarthmore (PA), Pomona (CA), Middlebury (VT), Bowdoin (ME), Carleton (MN), Wellesley (MA), Claremont McKenna College (CA), Haverford (PA), Davidson (NC), Washington and Lee Univ. (VA), Wesleyan Univ (CT), US Military Academy (NY)\*, US Naval Academy (MD)\*, Vassar (NY), Hamilton (NY), Harvey Mudd (CA), Grinell (IA), Smith (MA), Bates (ME), Colby (ME), Colgate Univ (NY), Oberlin (OH), Bryn Mawr (PA), Macalester (MN), Colorado College, Univ. of Richmond (VA), Bucknell Univ (PA), College of the Holy Cross (MA), Mount Holyoke College (MA) Scripps (CA), Barnard (NY), Kenyon (OH), Sewanee-Univ. of South (TN), US Air Force Acad (CO)\* Connecticut, Occidental (CA), Trinity (CT), Lafayette (PA), Union (NY), Centre (KY), Franklin & Marshall College (PA), Furman Univ. (SC), Pitzer (CA), Whitman (WA)

#### COLLEGES THAT CHANGES LIVES CTCL.ORG

CHANGING LIVES. ONE STUDENT AT A TIME. Student-centered colleges, develops lifelong love-of-learning, promotes successful & fulfilling life beyond college Agnes Scott College (GA) Allegheny College (PA) Antioch College (OH) Austin College (TX) Beloit College (WI) Birmingham-Southern College (AL) Centre College (KT) Clark University (MA) Cornell College (Iowa) Denison University (Ohio) Earlham College (Indiana) Eckerd College (FL) Emory & Henry College (VA) The Evergreen State College (WA) Goucher College (MD) Guilford College (NC) Hampshire College (MA) Hendrix College (AR) Hiram College (OH) Hope College (MI) Juniata College (PA) Kalamazoo College (MI) Knox College (IL) Lawrence University (WI) Lynchburg College (VA) Marlboro College (VT) McDaniel College (MD) Millsaps College (MS) New College of Florida (FL) Ohio Wesleyan University (OH) Reed College (OR) Rhodes College (TN) Southwestern University (TX) St. John's College (MD, NM), St. Mary's College (CA), St. Olaf College (MN), University of Puget Sound (WA), Ursinus College, Wabash College, Wheaton College (IL), Whitman College (WA), Willamette University (OR), Wooster College (OH)