

UC DAVIS TAG TIP
UC MAXIMUM TRANSFER CREDIT LIMITATION POLICY
LOWER-DIVISION UNITS

**New UC Policy:
Lower Division Units**

**Effective for Students Entering Fall
2014:**

UC limitation of 70 sem/105 qtr units will apply to all
lower division coursework (no longer just CCC units)

Exceptions:

AP, IB, and/or A-Level examinations
UC Coursework

Effective for fall 2014 applicants All lower division units, regardless of where they were earned (with some exceptions), will be limited to 70 sem/105 qtr units.

Units earned from AP, IB or A levels or any UC coursework which would include UCX, UC EAP will not be included in this limitation. AP, IB or A levels will not put a student in jeopardy of having too many units for admission.

UC, UCX, UC EAP along with all upper division units will be added to the total up to the maximum 70 semester/105 lower division units. If this total reaches 80 semester/120 quarter transferable combined units or more, there will be a second review by the Dean's office before an admission can be offered. Except Engineering, there is not a unit limitation for engineering majors.



Important to Note: UC-transferable grade point average is based upon all UC-transferable units completed (even if the student completes more than 70 units).

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UC FACT SHEET: UC MAXIMUM TRANSFER CREDIT LIMITATION POLICY

Students will be granted up to 70 semester/105 quarter units of credit for lower-division coursework completed at any institution or combination of institutions.

GUIDELINES

1. Lower-division units beyond the maximum for which credit is awarded will be granted subject credit and may be used to satisfy requirements.
2. Units earned through AP, IB, and/or A-Level examinations are not included in the limitation and do not put applicants at risk of being denied admissions.
3. Lower or upper-division units earned at UC (Extension, summer, cross/concurrent, UC-EAP, and regular academic year enrollment) are added to the maximum lower-division credit allowed and might put applicants at risk of being denied admission due to excessive units.

The chart on the next page defines the number of units which cause a student to reach “high-unit” junior or senior standing for UC admission evaluation purposes. The intended purpose of this chart is not to advise a prospective student whether or not they can apply to UC; rather, it should provide guidance for students with a high number of UC-transferable units to alert them that there may be some difficulty in the ability of some campuses to offer them admission.

HIGH-UNIT TRANSFER UNIT COUNTS

Junior Standing: 80-89 UC-transferable semester units

Senior Standing: 90 or more UC-transferable semester units

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HIGH-UNIT LIMITS AND ADMISSION POLICY BY CAMPUS

After applying the UC lower-division maximum transfer credit limitation policy, all upper-division and all UC units are added to the total unit count. Use the resulting unit count in reference to column two in the chart below.

Campus	Number of units before an applicant becomes a high-unit junior or a senior	Admits high-unit juniors and/or seniors?
Berkeley	90 semester/135 quarter units or more	High Unit Juniors: Some
		Seniors: Some
Davis	80 semester/120 quarter units or more; Dean's Review required	High Unit Juniors: Some
		Seniors: Some
Irvine	90 semester/135 quarter units or more	High Unit Juniors: Some
		Seniors: Some
Los Angeles	86.5 semester/130 quarter units or more	High Unit Juniors: No
		Seniors: No
Merced	80 semester/120 quarter units or more; Dean's Review required	High Unit Juniors: Some
		Seniors: Some
Riverside	90 semester/135 quarter units or more; Dean's Review required	High Unit Juniors: Some
		Seniors: Some
San Diego	90 semester/135 quarter units or more	High Unit Juniors: Yes
		Seniors: No
Santa Barbara	90 semester/135 quarter units or more *College of Creative Studies will consider seniors on a case-by-case basis	High Unit Juniors: Yes
		Seniors: No*
Santa Cruz	90 semester/135 quarter units or more	High Unit Juniors: Yes
		Seniors: No

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UC DAVIS EXAMPLE

How UC and UC Davis policy on lower-division units may impact students

UC Policy: Lower-division Units (effective fall 2014)

Example A	Example B	Example C
Student went to CCSF and SDSU but only completed lower division work at both schools	Same student but now student has also attended SFSU and took Upper Division (UD) work	Same student but now student also went to UC Merced and took Lower Division (LD) work
60 sem units CCSF + 15 sem units SDSU (LD) = 75 sem units Total - 5 sem unit deduction = 70 units award by UC	60 sem units CCSF + 15 sem units SDSU (LD) + 15 sem units SFSU (UD) = 90 sem units total 75 sem units LD - 5 sem unit deduction + 15 SFSU (UD) = 85* total units award by UC	60 sem units CCSF +15 sem units SDSU (LD) +15 sem units SFSU (UD) +15 sem units UCM (LD) =105 sem units total 75 sem units LD - 5 sem unit deduction + 15 SFSU (UD) + 15 UCM (LD) =100* units award by UC
Note: We do not limit any specific courses completed by the student, we merely make a mathematical computation (deduct) to arrive at the maximum 70 semester/105 quarter transferable lower division units UC allows.	*Dean's review required unless Engineering Major	*Dean's review required unless Engineering Major

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UC RULE

Lower-division units are capped at 70 semester/105 quarter units (see page 2).

UC DAVIS RULES

UC Davis has an 80 semester/120 quarter unit limitation policy.

The UC Davis College of Engineering does not have a unit limitation policy.

TAG-ELIGIBLE STUDENTS

If all other provisions of TAG are met and student has only:

- units from a California community college
(student will not exceed the UC lower-division unit limitation)
- units from a California community college and AP or IB examination credit
(AP/IB credit are excluded from UC limitations)
- lower-division units from any institution, excluding lower-division units from any UC campus, UC Extension or UC Summer Session.
(student will not exceed the UC lower-division unit limitation)
- an application to the UC Davis College of Engineering (COE)
(UC Davis College of Engineering does not have a unit limitation)

STUDENTS WHO MAY BE INELIGIBLE FOR A UC DAVIS TAG DUE TO EXCESS UNITS

- Students who have attended a UC (enrolled, extension, summer session)
- Students who have UC-transferable upper-division units

HOW TO CALCULATE UNITS

Lower-division units (excluding those from UC, UC extension, UC summer session)

+ UC units (lower and upper-division)

+ Upper-division units from all colleges (UC-transferable)

= Total Units

STUDENTS WHO REACH OR EXCEED THE UC DAVIS LIMITATION (80 SEMESTER/120 QUARTER UNITS)

- Are not eligible for a UC Davis TAG
- Are encouraged to apply to UC Davis via the regular application process.
- Will have their applications forwarded by Undergraduate Admissions to the UC Davis College Dean's Office for review; chances of admission may be reduced.