Admission Review Process
Fall 2014 Freshmen

The admission review reflects the readers' thoughtful consideration of the full spectrum of the applicant's qualifications, based on all evidence provided in the application, and viewed in the context of the applicant's academic and personal circumstances and the overall strength of the UCSD application pool.

Academic Criteria

- ❖ **Grades**
  - ✓ **Unweighted grade point average**
  - ✓ **Weighted grade point average (uncapped)**
  - ✓ **Trajectory of the grades, up or down**

- ❖ **College preparatory courses**
  - ✓ **Strength of the high school curriculum**
  - ✓ **Honors, Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate Higher Level (IBHL) courses**
  - ✓ **Transferable college and university courses**
  - ✓ **Senior year course load**

Academic Criteria

❖ **Pattern of achievement reflected in grades over time**

❖ **Eligible in Local Context (ELC)**

❖ **Scores on the ACT Assessment plus Writing or the SAT Reasoning in a single sitting**

❖ **SAT Subject tests**

❖ **Scores on the AP and IBHL examinations**

❖ **Extraordinary, sustained achievement in any field or intellectual endeavor**

Personal Characteristics and Achievements

❖ **Personal qualities of the applicant**

  ✓ **Leadership ability, character, motivation, tenacity, initiative, demonstrated concern for others and the community**

❖ **Non-academic achievements**

  ✓ **Accomplishments in the performing arts or athletics, employment, leadership in school or community organizations or activities, community service**

❖ **Diversity of personal background and experience (socio-economic, etc.)**

Selection Process

❖ **Applications are read in their entirety at least twice. Applications along the tie-breaking line and referred for supplemental review will be read again. The admissions evaluation reflects the reader's thoughtful consideration of the full spectrum of the applicant's qualifications and viewed in the context of the applicant's academic and personal circumstances. The overall strength of the UCSD applicant pool is also a factor.**

❖ **Read scores determine selection:**

  ✓ **Applicants with the strongest combination of academic and personal achievement will be offered admission based upon available space**
  ✓ **Select students will be considered through the Supplemental Review process**
  ✓ **Scoring: 1-5**

Fall 2014 Freshman Selection
As of May 16, 2014

❖ **Applications**.............73,439

❖ **Admits**.....................24,591

❖ **Enrollment Target**......4,900

Academic Profile
Fall 2014 Freshman Admits

❖ **Mean HS Weighted GPA** **4.13**

❖ **Mean HS Unweighted GPA**.......**3.85**

❖ **Mean SAT Reasoning**...............**2017**

Fall 2014 Freshman Accepts by Home Location

Geographic Region	Fall 2014 Accepts As of 5/16/14	Fall 2013 Accepts As of 5/10/13
San Diego	652	683
Los Angeles	1,896	2,065
San Francisco	808	841
Other California	444	541
Out of California	363	476
Foreign Citizen	1,176	1,049
TOTAL	5,339	5,655

Fall 2014 Freshman Accepts by Ethnic Distribution

Ethnicity	Fall 2014 Accepts As of 5/16/14	Fall 2013 Accepts As of 5/10/13
African American	1.9%	2.3%
Asian	47.7%	46.2%
Mexican American	14.0%	12.2%
Filipino	5.2%	5.8%
Latino	3.4%	3.2%
Native American	0.3%	0.3%
Caucasian	17.4%	20.9%
Other/Undeclared	10.1%	9.2%
Total URM	**19.6%**	**18.0%**

Fall 2014 Freshman Admits
Other Characteristics*

- ❖ **First generation: 32.0%**
- ❖ **Low family income: 22.6%**
- ❖ **California residents: 71.1%**
- ❖ **Non-Residents: 28.9%**
- ❖ **Most popular departments:**
  - ✓ **Biology**
  - ✓ **Economics**
  - ✓ **Math**
  - ✓ **Chemistry**
  - ✓ **Computer Science and Engineering**

Evaluation of Transfer Selection

❖ **60 semester/90 quarter units of UC-transferable coursework**

❖ **Completion of seven course pattern for transfer eligibility**

❖ **Completion of requirements by end of Spring quarter prior to enrollment**

❖ **Competitive GPA for selection**

❖ **Priority given to applicants from California community colleges and other UC campuses**

Fall 2014 Transfer Selection

❖ **Applications**.................**16,139**

❖ **Admits**............................**6,945**

❖ **Enrollment Target**...........**2,400**

Fall 2014 Transfer Admits by Ethnic Distribution (Preliminary*)

Ethnicity	Fall 2014 Admits	Fall 2013 Admits
African American	2.4%	2.7%
Asian	43.7%	42.9%
Mexican American	11.1%	10.0%
Filipino	3.3%	2.7%
Latino	4.1%	4.0%
Native American	0.6%	0.6%
Caucasian	28.3%	30.3%
Other/Undeclared	6.5%	6.8%
Total URM	18.2%	17.3%

*Subject to change pending waitlist

Fall 2014 Transfer Admits
Other Characteristics*

- ❖ **First generation: 36.4%**

- ❖ **Low family income: 24.3%**

- ❖ **California residents: 78.5%**

- ❖ **Non-residents: 21.5%**

- ❖ **Most popular Departments:**

  - ✓ **Economics**

  - ✓ **Biology**

  - ✓ **Computer Science and Engineering**

  - ✓ **Communication**

  - ✓ **Psychology**

- ❖ **Students from California Community Colleges: 90.7%**

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Questions and Answers