

## **UCSD hosts "Preview Day" for prospective students**

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The University of California, San Diego invites prospective students, their families, school counselors and teachers to UCSD's Preview Day, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Nov.13. Preview Day offers middle schoolers, high school seniors and prospective transfer students an inside look at life at UCSD.

The event has two purposes: to help those from throughout California who are applying for college for fall 2000 to narrow their choices during the November 1 - 30 University of California application filing period; and to give middle school students and their parents tips for college preparation. Preview Day is co-sponsored by the UCSD Office of Admissions and Outreach and UCSD Associated Students. Activities begin on Library Walk. Parking is free.

Throughout the day visitors can explore the campus and attend sessions on admissions, housing, the five undergraduate colleges, financial aid and more. Faculty presentations will cover academic programs and expectations. Application workshops, student panel presentations and Q & A tables for individual academic counseling are added features. An Information Fair, set for 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., will give visitors an opportunity to talk with representatives of student organizations, academic departments and student services. In addition, student-led campus tours will provide a closer look at student life and campus facilities.

A special Middle School component to this year's Preview Day will include college preparation workshops and other activities for students and parents beginning at 10:00 a.m.

"Preview Day is an excellent opportunity for students and families to visit with our faculty, staff and students," says Mae Brown, UCSD's director of Admissions and Outreach. "We encourage everyone interested in UCSD to join us for a day filled with workshop sessions, faculty presentations, campus tours and much more. Visiting the campus has proven to be a major factor in a student's decision to enroll at UCSD if admitted."

Preview Day attracts visitors from throughout California and beyond. More than 40% of admitted freshmen are from the Los Angeles area, with 20% coming from the San Francisco Bay area and 18% from San Diego County; 15% are from other parts of California, with the fewest from outside the state or country.

For reservations, call the prerecorded number (858) 822-3533, and for further information see the web site of the Office of Admissions and Outreach (admissions.ucsd.edu) or call (858) 534-4831.

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