

Bid for upper division students to attend UCSD

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The University of California, San Diego, is hoping to attract its first upper division students to its classrooms next fall to pursue the first undergraduate majors offered on the campus.

The San Diego' campus of the University expects to accommodate 900 undergraduate students in the 1965-66 school year, including the 181 members of the pioneering freshman class who began their studies in September.

The upper division students who transfer to UCSD next fall will be one year ahead of the original freshman class and therefore will be among the first undergraduate students to receive diplomas from the Torrey Pines campus.

According to Dr. Keith Brueckner, Dean of Letters and Science at UCSD, applications are being accepted from any student with sufficient credits to place him as a junior. Students intending to transfer to UCSD as upper division students must present a minimum of 56 semester-hours (or equivalent quarter-hours) of acceptable transfer credit.

The application period for the fall quarter of 1965 opened October 1 and will extend to March 1, 1965.

Lower division students at UCSD (freshmen and sophomores) are required to follow an experimental program of studies designed to give them a basic understanding of the humanities and the basic and applied sciences before they choose a major academic field for specialization during the junior and senior years.

The first upper division students, the majority of which are expected to transfer from California State and Junior Colleges, will be allowed to pursue the major academic program of their choice. However, they will have to complete the equivalent of the lower division studies required by UCSD before they can graduate.

Even though the transferring students will be the first upper division students to study at UCSD, the academic departments through which they will pursue their major fields are already established on the campus. Under present plans of the University, the upper division students will be offered majors in aerospace mechanical engineering sciences, biology, chemistry, earth sciences, mathematics, and physics.

However, academic majors in the humanities field may be offered sooner than scheduled at UCSD to counteract the idea that the school curriculum is designed only for science majors.

According to Dr. John Galbraith, University Vice Chancellor, the University has become a university in every sense of the term. It is developing distinguished departments in literature, philosophy, linguistics, and economics. Departments of history and psychology will come into being next year and a fine arts program is being developed.

Dr. Galbraith said that UCSD is a university offering instruction in all the disciplines and is not restricted to the sciences. An indication is the fact that UCSD has already established graduate programs of instruction in languages, literature, and philosophy.

By the time the first upper division students are accepted and start classes next fall at UCSD, more than 100 faculty members are expected to be teaching in the various departments. Plans now call for 69 faculty members teaching in the basic sciences, 13 in the applied sciences, and 40 in the humanities and social sciences.

In addition to the three classroom-laboratory-office buildings already in use on the campus, Building E which will house the humanities, social sciences, and the general library collection will be completed and in use.

Three months later, six four-story Residence Halls housing 442 students and a Central Facilities Building featuring a cafeteria, dining halls and lounges will be completed. Construction of Building F, a laboratory building that will rise on the eastern side of The First College quad will also be underway. Building F is the last academic building required to complete The First College of the general campus.