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UC San Diego Admits Diverse Class of 39,802 New Students for Fall 2017 Term

Campus continues to increase number of California residents and students from historically underrepresented groups

The University of California San Diego has admitted 30,207 freshman and 9,595 transfer students for the fall 2017 term. Of the 39,802 new students, the university anticipates enrolling a diverse class of approximately 5,400 freshmen and 2,400 transfers. UC San Diego continues to increase its number of students from historically underrepresented groups.

UC San Diego's California resident admissions numbers also keep climbing. Over the last two years, the campus has seen an increase of 14.5 percent for California freshman admits, as well as 21.5 percent more California transfer admits.

"We are pleased to welcome these talented new scholars," said Chancellor Pradeep K. Khosla. "We are committed to providing them with a world-class education and unique opportunities that will help them blaze their own trails and positively impact our world, just as our legendary alumni members are already doing."

UC San Diego's alumni network includes [Robb Kulin](#), who was recently selected to join NASA's new class of astronauts, and [Taner Halicioglu](#), a Facebook pioneer who donated \$75 million to further the future of data science at UC San Diego.

Many students are attracted to UC San Diego because of its reputation for social innovation and public good. His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama accepted UC San Diego's invitation to serve as the [2017 commencement speaker](#) where he shared messages of global compassion, with an emphasis on education, scientific inquiry and global responsibility—all values that deeply align



Newly admitted students and volunteers at UC San Diego's Triton Day on April 8, 2017. Photo by Erik Jepsen/UC San Diego

with the university's academic mission. UC San Diego was also recently designated as a Changemaker Campus by Ashoka U for providing students with interdisciplinary, entrepreneurial and solutions-oriented skills to succeed in today's complex world.

Among UC San Diego freshman admits, the average GPA is 4.14 and the average SAT Reasoning scores are 641, 683 and 642, respectively, for Critical Reading, Math and Writing. Among transfer admits the average GPA is 3.56.

The majority of admitted students are California residents. The largest percentage of freshmen (11,525 or 38.2 percent) is from Southern California. More than 90 percent of UC San Diego transfer admits come from California Community Colleges. Of those admitted transfer students, the majority (5,304 or 55.3 percent) are also from Southern California.

The newly admitted UC San Diego students were selected out of a record 88,451 freshman and 17,745 transfer applications.

UC San Diego and its sister UC campuses are on track to meet the system-wide goal of adding an additional 10,000 Californians by the 2018-2019 academic year.

The most popular majors chosen by both freshmen and transfers include Engineering and Biology, as well as many Social Science disciplines.

Of the newly admitted students, 20,643 (or 51.9 percent) are female and 18,237 (or 45.8 percent) are male; 922 students chose not to respond to the question.

The preliminary data released today includes applicants admitted from waitlists and through the referral pool.

For more information about UC San Diego's admissions, click [here](#). Visit the [Campus Profile](#) to learn more about the university.

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