

What are the unit limitations or restrictions on admission for students who have attended a four-year institution before enrolling at a California community college? Do any majors or schools on your campus interpret this policy differently?

UCB: Each of the individual colleges and the Haas School of Business establishes its own unit limitation policies for students who have attended a four-year institution before enrolling at a community college:

The College of Letters and Science: A student who has accumulated more than 80 transferable semester units from a four-year institution is considered to have excess units and will not be admitted. A student who has completed 80 or fewer UC transferable semester units at a four-year university and *then* transfers to a community college will not accrue excess units and will be considered for admission. Students will be granted subject credit, *but not unit credit*, for appropriate two-year college coursework taken in excess of the community college 70-unit limit; such subject credit may be used to satisfy/complete requirements.

The College of Environmental Design: This college follows the same unit accumulation policy as the College of Letters and Science (see above), *except* that its limit on transferable coursework taken at a four-year university is 86 semester units.

Other colleges: UC Berkeley's other colleges total *both* university units and a maximum of 70 community college UC-transferable units. The limits on combined transferable university and community college work:

- **College of Chemistry:** 80 semester units; applicants with more than 80 units require special approval.
- **College of Engineering:** 89 semester units.
- **College of Natural Resources:** 90 semester units. Though the College does not have a specific unit limitation, it carefully reviews applicants with 90 or more semester units to ensure that they can graduate within a reasonable time.
- **Haas School of Business:** No maximum limit.

UCD: The deans of the **College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences**, the **College of Letters and Science** and the **Division of Biological Sciences** review applications from students who have 80 or more transferable semester units (120 or more transferable quarter units) of combined baccalaureate institution and community college work. Units earned through AP or IB examinations are counted separately for this purpose; AP and IB units do not put applicants at risk of being denied admission or of having an admissions decision delayed due to a dean's review. Applicants subject to review will be admitted if a dean's assessment is that the student is making good progress toward the baccalaureate degree and can complete the degree within the college's maximum unit limit. All transfer applications to the **College of Engineering** undergo careful screening to assess the level of academic preparation for the major; the College of Engineering does not conduct a separate review of applicants who have 80 or more transferable semester units (120 or more transferable quarter units) of combined baccalaureate institution/ community college work. Students who are well prepared for the majors will be admitted to the College of Engineering even if they exceed the 80/120 unit standard.

UCI: UC Irvine does not set a limit on the number of units an applicant may earn at a four-year institution before enrolling at a community college. It is important to note, however, that UCI adheres to a strict residency rule: a student must complete 36 of the last 45 quarter units at UCI to receive a UCI B.A./B.S. degree.

UCLA: With the exception of the School of Nursing, UCLA generally considers a student who has accumulated more than 86 transferable semester units (130 transferable quarter units) at a university to have exceeded maximum units allowable for admission. Such a student will not be admitted. For the College of Letters and Science, a student who completed 86 or fewer UC-transferable semester units (130 or fewer transferable quarter units) at a university then transferred to, and remained exclusively at, a community college does not exceed the maximum units allowable for admission purposes.

UCM: Students who have completed more than 89 semester units will not be considered for admission unless special approval is received from the appropriate dean. However, students who completed 89 or fewer units at a four-year institution and then transferred to a community college will be considered for admission. Subject credit toward completion of requirements will be granted for appropriate community college units earned beyond the 70-unit limit.

UCR: UC Riverside does not limit the number of units an applicant may earn at a four-year institution before enrolling at a community college. However, UC-eligible applicants who have attended a four-year institution and who present 80 or more semester (120 or more quarter) units in transfer credit will be reviewed by the dean of the college for completion of a specified pattern of courses that provides continuity with upper division courses within the major. An applicant will be admitted if the dean's office determines that the student can complete a baccalaureate degree within the maximum limit of 216 quarter units.

UCSD: UC San Diego considers a student with more than 90 transferable semester units (135 quarter units) from the combination of a two-year and a four-year institution to be in senior standing. UCSD sets a 90 semester unit limit when a student has attended both a two-year and a four-year institution. UCSD will transfer a maximum of 70 semester units from a community college; the admission staff looks for those students who have accumulated 90 or fewer semester units.

UCSB: The College of Letters and Sciences does not accept applications from students who have earned 135 or more transferable quarter (90 or more semester) units from a combination of two-year and four-year institutions

UCSC: UC Santa Cruz does not accept applications from students who have earned 135 or more transferable quarter (90 or more semester) units from a four-year institution or a combination of two-year and four-year institutions. This campus wide policy is not subject to college or departmental interpretation.