

ASSIST Transfer Channel



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With this article, the ASSIST Transfer Channel introduces a new feature which looks at transfer programs and practices at colleges and universities throughout the state. Each issue of the ASSIST Transfer Channel will focus on a different college or university. This inaugural article, written by Christian Villaseñor, features transfer at UC Santa Barbara.

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Greetings from UC Santa Barbara! It is an exciting time on the UCSB campus. Over a dozen construction projects are nearly completed or underway at the UCSB campus. This includes new buildings for Marine Sciences, Life Sciences Technology, the California NanoSystems Institute, Engineering Sciences, and Intercollegiate Athletics, as well as two new parking structures and expansion of our Recreation Center, just to name a few!

Also, this year two of our faculty members were awarded Nobel Prizes: Finn E. Kydland in Economics and David J. Gross in Physics. In all, five faculty members at UCSB have been awarded Nobel Prizes since 1998. Remarkable faculty and many brand new facilities, not to mention its extraordinary location on the California coast, are just some of reasons why students are applying to UCSB in record numbers.

For fall 2005, UCSB received about 46,000 applications for admission, its largest pool ever. Of these applications, approximately 8,500 came from transfer students. UCSB gives priority for transfer admission to California community college students. In fact, UCSB guarantees admission to junior-level California community college applicants who meet the criteria of its Transfer Admission Agreement.

ASSIST provides the perfect venue for any student or counselor to learn about UCSB's Transfer Admission Agreement (TAA) as well as the transfer courses needed to ensure a successful transition to the campus. A visit to the ASSIST web site allows students to find course equivalency information about any of the majors offered by UCSB's College of Letters and Science and College of Engineering. Students applying to UCSB's College of Creative Studies must complete a supplemental application and upon admission create their own individualized graduation requirements in consultation with faculty advisors. TAA and major preparation information for the College of Engineering and the College of Letters and Science is located under the drop down menu of "By Major" agreements between UCSB and the California community colleges. UCSB also maintains course-to-course and campus specific general education articulation agreements on ASSIST.

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Our hope is that by providing students with the information they need to be guaranteed admission as juniors and well prepared in the majors they pursue, they will experience a seamless transfer process and graduate in a timely and efficient manner.