



upcoming events

April 10

UCSB Admissions presents
Spring Insight
Open House for Admitted
and Prospective Students

April 13

UCSB Arts & Lectures presents
Grammy-award winning musician
Elvis Costello
8 p.m., Arlington Theater

April 19-25

UCSB Alumni Association
presents the
All Gaucho Reunion
www.ucsbalum.com

*Arts & Lectures tickets may be
purchased by calling (805) 893-3535
or at www.artsandlectures.ucsb.edu.*

Summer Sessions

Each year, the Summer Sessions program offers over 650 courses in disciplines ranging from anthropology to statistics. Courses are offered primarily in two six-week sessions between late June and mid-September to accommodate students' schedules. Session A is June 21-July 30 and Session B is August 2-September 10. Students may enroll in courses during one or both sessions. Registration begins Monday, April 5 at 8 a.m.

Students will often take summer classes to catch up or get ahead in their total number of units. Some even aim to graduate early by completing general education classes in the summer. Students enjoy the smaller class sizes during the summer and being able to focus on fewer classes at once. Additionally, summer classes can be an economical choice for some undergraduate students. Unit fees are capped at the cost of 10 units, which means students pay for the first 10 units in which they are enrolled and all additional units are free. Additionally, there are no out-of-state fees for summer classes.

Housing is available on a first-come, first-served basis for students attending Summer Sessions. Students can now complete the on-line application at www.housing.ucsb.edu/application/summer/default.htm.

The cost for Summer Sessions is \$229 per unit for undergraduates and \$286 per unit for graduate students. Additionally, there is a one-time fee of \$321.47 for undergraduates and \$126.56 for graduate students. Financial aid packages are available for Summer Sessions. Students should contact the Financial Aid office (www.finaid.ucsb.edu) to determine eligibility.

The Summer Sessions 2010 Preview of Classes is now available on-line. For more information about enrolling in summer courses, students can speak with staff in the Summer Sessions office located at 2214 Student Affairs and Administrative Services Building. Students can also visit the Web site at www.summer.ucsb.edu, or call (805) 893-2315.



Registration Begins April 5

important dates

March 15-20

Final Exams

March 22-26

Spring Break

UCSB Residence Halls Closed

April 2

Last day to drop courses
without additional \$3 fee

April 9

Last day to add courses
without additional \$3 fee

Last day to change grading
option without additional \$3 fee

April 12

Deadline to Declare Spring
Graduation

April 16

Last day to add courses
with additional \$3 fee

April 23

Last day to drop courses
with additional \$3 fee

May 14

Last day to change grading
option with additional \$3 fee

Parents' and Family Weekend 2010

Save the date for Parents' and Family Weekend 2010! Each fall, students' families are invited to explore campus and experience student life at UCSB. Guests can attend classes and faculty presentations, participate in campus area tours and activities, and meet a variety of staff, faculty and administrators including Chancellor Henry Yang. Parents' and Family Weekend is October 22-24, 2010. Visit www.ia.ucsb.edu/pfw/ or call (805) 893-7382 for more information.



Parents with Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Michael D. Young



Students Share Tips for Navigating Budget Cuts

“Take advantage of your pass time. Know what classes you want to sign up for beforehand and register for them then. Don’t wait.”

“If you registered for a class that you aren’t really planning to take, please drop it. Other students would love to have that space.”

“Being flexible with the classes you are willing to take and the times at which you are willing to take them will dramatically increase your options for classes and the likelihood that you will get a full course load.”

“Be persistent, yet patient. Try to crash classes that you really want, but understand you may have to wait a quarter or two to get them.”

“Remember there are so many course options to meet the wide variety of requirements you need to satisfy for General Education. You will be less stressed if you don’t get hung up on one particular class.”

“Be proactive and let the professor for the course know how interested you are in taking the class. Ask to be put on the waitlist. And do this as soon as you realize the class is full. Don’t wait until the quarter starts. The more steps you take, the better your chance of getting into the class.”

“Summer school classes are available if you need to catch up on units and these classes often don’t fill up as fast.”

“Reminding myself that UCSB students are not alone in dealing with the budget cuts is reassuring—staff, faculty, and everyone at the other UCs are also affected. And, everyone is working towards fixing these issues.”

“Remember the university is trying its best to get you what you need, and while services may be somewhat reduced, there are still so many great things for students to take advantage of on campus.”

??? Questions about the UC Budget?
Follow the latest news on-line at www.universityofcalifornia.edu/budget/.

Student Health Service



The Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care has recognized Student Health Service for delivery of the highest quality of compassionate and accessible care to UCSB students. All students can use Student Health Service—even those not enrolled in the Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP). Same day appointments, minimal wait times, the ability to walk in for urgent care without an appointment, and a convenient on-campus location allow students to balance their health needs with their busy schedules.

Licensed physicians, nurse practitioners, registered nurses, physical therapists, medical assistants, and health educators make up Student Health Service’s medical team. Specialty services include orthopedics, dermatology, women’s health, psychiatry, alcohol and drug assessment and counseling, HIV testing, stress management, and H1N1 and seasonal flu shots. Student Health Service’s facilities include an on-site laboratory, pharmacy, x-ray, eye care, and dental services. The majority of students’ physical conditions can be treated on-site at Student Health Service; however, the staff maintain close contact with community specialists and emergency services, which are utilized as necessary.

One of the most convenient and commonly used services is the advice nurse. The advice nurse can assess medical conditions and advise students on whether or not to seek medical care. The nurse is available in person between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on weekdays, by phone at (805) 893-7129 or on-line at <http://studenthealth.sa.ucsb.edu/ClinicalServices/AdviceNurse.aspx>. Additionally, students often contact the patient advocate, a student liaison between Student Health Service and UCSB students. The patient advocate is available in the Student Health Service lobby or at (805) 893-3191.

Student Health Service is open Monday, Tuesday, and Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Thursday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Students needing urgent medical care outside of Student Health Service’s hours should go to the local hospital emergency room or urgent care facility. In accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), Student Health Service maintains complete patient confidentiality and cannot share health records or information with anyone, including parents.

Student Health Service is hoping to expand their programs to even better serve students. If you wish to support their mission or any other service provided by Student Affairs, please contact Laurie Hoyle in Student Affairs Grants and Development at laurie.hoyle@sa.ucsb.edu or (805) 893-5037.

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Visiting Santa Barbara

Parents and family members often visit UCSB to explore campus, experience student life, and discover our surrounding communities. This quick guide to visiting Santa Barbara and the UCSB campus will help you plan a meaningful and memorable family visit with your student.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Did you know UCSB has its own overnight accommodations? Parents can book conveniently-located guest rooms at The Faculty Club on campus. Visit www.faculty-club.ucsb.edu for rates and reservations. Additionally, a wide variety of hotels, motels, and bed and breakfasts are located in surrounding communities. A list of local hotels is available at www.santabarbara.com/lodging/directory.

ON-CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

At UCSB, there is certainly no shortage of activities for students to choose from. Many of these events are open to campus visitors as well. We encourage you to take advantage of these opportunities when you visit.

- Through May 16, 2010, the University Art Museum will feature an exhibition by sculptors John Wood and Paul Harrison titled "Answers to Questions." The exhibit features low-tech films created by the artists using everyday items in playful ways. For more information about the exhibit, visit www.uam.ucsb.edu/Pages/exhibition_calendar.html.
- Attend a class lecture to learn more about your student's educational experience. A list of open lectures with class dates and times is available at www.admissions.ucsb.edu/LectureExperience.asp?section=visitucsb.
- Cheer on the Gauchos at a UCSB sporting event. Upcoming athletic events, including baseball, softball, tennis and water polo, are listed on-line at <http://ucsbgauchos.cstv.com/calendar/events/>.

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

- Santa Barbara is an excellent location for whale watching. Depending on the time of year, you can see grey whales, blue whales, minke whales, humpback whales, and even orcas during your visit. Visit www.whalewatchinginfo.com/santabarbara.htm for more information and a list of excursions.
- Explore Santa Barbara's downtown waterfront, including the harbor, Stearns Wharf, three beautiful beaches, the zoo, and Chase Palm Park, which features an arts and crafts show every Sunday. Exit Highway 101 at Cabrillo Street and head south towards the ocean.
- On a clear day, visit the Santa Barbara Courthouse tower for 360° views of the city, mountains and ocean. The courthouse is located in the 1100 block of Anacapa Street.
- For more information about all of Santa Barbara's many diverse attractions and to view event schedules for the time of your trip, visit www.santabarbaraca.com and www.santabarbara.com.

DINING

There are many wonderful places to eat on campus and in Isla Vista that your student may enjoy; however, many students wish to venture off campus and try out a new restaurant when their family visits. An excellent resource for finding great local restaurants by type of food, location, and price range is SantaBarbara.com's Restaurant Guide (www.santabarbara.com/dining/). UCSB students suggest Brophy Bros. for fresh seafood and ocean views, Cajun Kitchen for breakfast, La Super Rica Taqueria for Mexican food, and Panino for soups, salads and sandwiches.

ENJOY YOUR VISIT! Please call us if we can answer any questions for you about visiting UCSB or Santa Barbara.

Study Abroad

UCSB's Education Abroad Program has been called the most academically rigorous study abroad program in the country. Since 1962, EAP has been adding a unique international dimension to UCSB students' education.

Many different options are available, so students are able to shape their experience to fit their own needs. With over thirty countries to choose from, students can participate in fall, winter, spring or summer quarter or even go abroad for an entire year. Twenty-six programs are taught in English, but students can also opt to study a language or participate in a complete language immersion program while abroad.



Participating in EAP can have immeasurable effects on students—from new perspectives on the global world and a new sense of self to the acquisition of a new language and the development of skills that can be applied to future career and educational endeavors.

Parents often express concern that studying abroad may delay their student's graduation; however, by carefully planning with an EAP advisor, your son or daughter can participate without lengthening his or her time-to-degree. Additionally, all UC EAP courses are fully accepted by the UC system. Grades and units earned will appear on your student's transcript.

Parents are often surprised to learn that student fees and financial aid packages do not change while studying abroad; however, additional fees could be incurred from travel and living expenses while abroad.

Additionally, safety is one of parents' biggest concerns. As a legal adult, your student is ultimately responsible for his or her safety; however, EAP has implemented many services and policies to address safety issues. Study Centers, staffed by UC representatives, are maintained in each country to ensure the academic and personal well-being of each student. Additionally, students are required to complete orientation programs before departure and upon arrival abroad, which include detailed safety information. Students are also required to complete a health clearance before traveling and to receive a briefing on health issues in their chosen country.

More information about the program is available at www.eap.ucsb.edu. Interested students should speak with an EAP advisor in Room 2431 of South Hall or by calling (805) 893-3763. Peer advisors are available at eapecsb@eap.ucsb.edu.