Q&A: CHASS Transfer Info Session

I applied to business administration but was admitted to CHASS, I would like to get more information why it was the case.

Contact admissions at admissions@ucr.edu.

Will this webinar be good use to me if I was originally admitted as a Political Science major, but changed it to Public Policy?

It won't hurt.

Good Morning, I had to take one of my finals and wasn't able to attend the only orientation session. Who do I contact about that? How do I register for classes?

Orientation isn't until September, and there are multiple dates.

Can we make appointments with CHASS advisors now to know what classes we are to take in fall?

You'll meet with an advisor during orientation.

Where do you apply for CHASS? And when can we?

Contact Undergraduate Admissions (admissions@ucr.edu)

Do you have any clubs for social science majors?

This website will help to link you to all social groups at UCR. Perhaps you can find something you would be interested in getting involved in.

https://studentlife.ucr.edu/

Can we change our major after being accepted or when we enroll for classes? Who do we talk to so we can change our major and what do we need?

It depends on whether you are qualified for the new major.

Are we able to speak/make an appointment with CHASS academic advisors now?

Yes, but we will be able to answer your questions at the Transfer Student Orientation. You can also visit https://chassstudentaffairs.ucr.edu/dept/index.html to find the advisor for your major and their schedule.

Good morning! I am a dance major, but would like to know if I can also minor in education or would I have to apply for a teaching credentials program?

Hi, usually this is an easy process that will start with your primary academic advisor to see how this will fit with your current units completed and the units for the minor.
How would we contact our Advisors?

Hi - there will be communications coming from advisors soon - They will also cover how best to communicate at the Transfer Orientation.

If the classes I'm taking this spring semester, the semester before the fall semester which I'd been admitted to UCR, have affected me which led me to drop some of those classes will I still be able to attend the school, or will I be able to join if I take those courses over the summer?

Hello - this question would be best answered by Undergraduate Admissions.

Hello, I would like to create a course plan and have been trying to make an appointment with my advisor but for some reason it doesn’t let me and I emailed them but I have been getting little to know contact; can I get some help with this?

You will have to wait until orientation.

How can I join CHASS Transfers F1RST?

You will be able to sign up during transfer orientation.

Will we be able to talk to advisors without SIR?

No. You'll meet with advisors at orientation

Is the Transfer Mentorship Program available for students transferring in the Winter Semester?

Absolutely. All transfer students will receive an email regarding application for fall & winter quarter.

Are English/literature classes big or small?

Courses are capped depending on the class type. These are listed on the class schedule: https://registrationssb.ucr.edu/StudentRegistrationSsb/ssb/term/termSelection?mode=search

So do we see or contact our Advisors before or after Orientation? I tried to sign up for orientation and I cannot find where to sign up for it.

https://transferorientation.ucr.edu/

I understand the Sustainability BS major is a part of CHASS, I am currently an Environmental Science major and I am wondering if there are any overlapping courses? Would it be redundant to double major in Sustainability and Environmental Science?

There is some overlap between these two majors, but Sustainability Studies has a heavy focus on gender studies.

Can you get dropped from the honors program?

Yes, if you don't meet class and GPA requirements
What steps do I need to take to create a new club?

Please visit: https://studentlife.ucr.edu/

When do we start selecting our courses?

Fall 2020 courses are online now and you can view them. You will get communications from your advisor regarding recommendations and registration for fall after you have registered for orientation.

How many units is a CHASS minor? How many quarters would it take?

Depends on the minor.

I'm sorry, I might have missed it. If we complete the IGETC at the community college, does that fulfill the Breadth requirements?

Yes, please be sure and submit an official IGETC for UC.

How is the process to double majors and minor at UCR?

Speak initially with your primary advisor.

As a CHASS student, are we assigned an advisor determined by our major or do we select our own advisor?

You are assigned an advisor based off of your major.

How do we know if we can change our major? When should I do that?

Prior to attending orientation.

Does CHASS help people that are majoring in philosophy or philosophy/pre law?

Meeting with the Philosophy advisor is the best start to see resources for Phil/PHIL Law & Society majors.

What are the steps we need to take to ensure we can continue working through pre-med courses, once we transfer into CHASS?

Speak with your primary advisor to ascertain if this is possible.

Can you talk about the transition between semester system to quarter system?

A quarter system is 10 weeks long and a semester is 16 weeks long.

I plan on taking Spanish during summer at my community college should I wait to send my transcripts until I complete that class?

If you have not submitted ANY transcripts yet, you should send what you have. Please let your advisor know what you are doing this summer at your orientation.

How would I go about changing my major?

You can submit your request via MyUCR before orientation.
Is there a communications study program in CHASS?

No, we do not offer Communications as a major. Most students will pursue Creative Writing or Media and Cultural Studies or both.

I am an Art History transfer and am wondering if I will be able to register for all classes I need, given my later registration date.

You will register with your advisor's feedback and guidance.

How would we be able to get into Undergraduate Research?

Talk to your advisor about this. Most professors offer this as an option every quarter.

Hi there, how do we join the CHASS program? I missed it.

You can email https://transferorientation.ucr.edu/ All transfer students will receive an email regarding participating in Transfer FIRST.

What programs are available to undocumented students within CHASS?

https://usp.ucr.edu/

Can we enroll in fall classes now? Or do we have to wait for orientation

Messaging will be sent, but this will happen in orientation.

Who do I contact disability office at UCR and does UCR accept service dogs?

Information on the Student Disability Resource Center can be found here: https://sdrc.ucr.edu/

I've seen advisors listed for all majors in CHASS, including a list of interdisciplinary majors, but did not include Sustainability Studies in the list. How to I find an advisor for this major particularly?

The advisors for interdisciplinary majors also advise for Sustainability Studies.

If I was accepted into CHASS but changed my major to a program from a different college (School of Public Policy), can I still double major?

Speak with your primary advisor about double major options.

Is HASS-001 a required course for a student accepted into the Transfer FIRST Program?

No, the HASS 001 course is not required, it is optional.

I am transferring from San Diego to Riverside, which means I planned to move to Riverside. If the semester will be conducted online, is there any practical need to move?

Great question. Probably not, but you may have to get textbooks here.

How much CHASS orientation fee??

Please visit -- https://transferorientation.ucr.edu/
When is the deadline to register for orientation?
For more information visit -- https://transferorientation.ucr.edu/

Are we assigned an academic advisor, and if so are we able to request different ones depending on advising needed for specific career or educational goals?
Your major determines your advisor.

Can you please explain a little bit on the Media and Cultural Studies major?
Check out https://mcs.ucr.edu/ for more information.

Would we be able to minor in a non-CHASS field?
Depends on the minor requirements.

Thank you for answering my questions! As a follow up, where would we find out which advisor is assigned to us and how would we get in contact with them for an educational plan and selecting fall classes? Thank you.

You can find advisors on the major department website. You will meet with them at orientation.

As someone else who is majoring in Anthropology, I’m interested in knowing more about the Anthropology Club at school. Is there an available link to gain more info on what the club does? As well as other school clubs? Thank you.
https://studentlife.ucr.edu/ has more information about student clubs and organizations.

Is the HASS 001 class available for all transfer students or is limited depending on number of registered students?
HASS 001 course is available to transfer students in the fall quarter. First come basis - up to 80 students. Students in this course will have a peer educator to help them with their transition at UCR.

Can a person major in media and cultural studies with a minor on something else?
Yes!

When registering for classes do professors save spots for students that are in later orientation days or is it just open until all the spots are filled?
Professors do not save spots for students. Majors have set aside seats in major related courses for Transfer Students, though.

What kind of resources are there for students with disabilities within CHASS?
UCR has a fabulous Student Disability Resource Center -- https://sdrc.ucr.edu/
If we already took 3 years of a foreign language in high school, do we still need to take one as a transfer student as part of our GE requirement?

It will depend on whether you are transferring in with an IGETC or not. If you have IGETC, most likely no. If not, it depends on what you have completed at the CC.

If a transfer student does not pass one class this semester, are they still guaranteed admission to riverside?

You will need to verify this with our office of admissions.

I am a Sociology major, but I am pre-med, so I do want to be able to have someone that can advise me on that route. Is that available or is that something I would need to find elsewhere on campus?

Yes - so in addition to your Sociology advisor, we have a Health Professions Advising Center on campus. Here is the link: https://se.ucr.edu/hpac/overview.

Who can I talk to about Media and Cultural arts before submitting an SIR? I’d like to know more before making a decision.

For more information visit: https://chassstudentaffairs.ucr.edu/dept/mcs.html

When do we create our UCR student IDs?

It is created when you apply to the university.

When can we register for orientation?

https://transferorientation.ucr.edu/

I sent my official transcripts already. Did I send them too soon? Will there be anyone there to receive mail?

Yes, admissions is still getting mail.

Do I need to submit my SIR before registering for orientation?

Yes.

How do we submit an IGETC?

Usually the IGETC is submitted with your Transcript.

Does CHASS have Political Science majors?

Yes, we have a major in Political Science.

How do interdisciplinary majors work?

Like other majors, except that they draw from various departments.
If I failed a physical science class, would I need to retake it with CHASS?
Yes, if it means you didn't complete the IGETC.

Can I do both the honors program and the CHASS program, the one you're talking about?
Yes. Transfer F1RST Program is voluntarily NOT required but it is very helpful for students to participate to help with their transition as a first year student.

If I am not sure about what second major to choose from but have an idea of what I want to do, will an advisor help me?
Yes, speak with your primary advisor once registered and transcripts are final.

How can we get in contact with an adviser?
At orientation.

Is there any way to find out who is your academic advisor online before the orientation?
https://chassstudentaffairs.ucr.edu/dept/index.html

Do I have to SIR in order to speak to an advisor?
Yes.

Could you re-say the email about Transfers F1RST please?
Transfers1st@ucr.edu