UCR Is Attainable and Affordable
Your dream of a UC degree in biology is just steps away!

Major Prep Courses Needed to Transfer to UCR
Complete these major prep courses at Riverside City College — in addition to the minimum grade point average and UC transfer requirements — to be admitted to UCR’s College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences (CNAS):

Complete all courses:

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And one (1) sequence below:

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Course descriptions: [rcc.edu](http://rcc.edu)

Guarantee Your Admission: TAG to UCR
Enroll in the Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) program. Submit your UCR application and apply for your contracted major and term by:

- **MAY 1–31**: TAG filing period for winter. Admissions application filing period: July 1–31
- **SEP 1–30**: TAG filing period for fall. Admissions application filing period: November 1–30

Dates and deadlines: [transfer.ucr.edu](http://transfer.ucr.edu)

Find Your UCR Transfer Counselor
We’re here to help you transition successfully and finish your four-year degree. [transfer.ucr.edu](http://transfer.ucr.edu)

Cross Enrollment (Dual Enrollment): Start Your UCR Education Before You Transfer
Take UCR classes while still attending Riverside City College. Pay only $46 per unit (classes subject to availability). [go.ucr.edu/enrollment](http://go.ucr.edu/enrollment) (Scroll down to the “Cross Registration Programs” tab.)

Earning Potential: CNAS Bachelor’s Degree (Biology)

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<th>Early Career</th>
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Source: PayScale National College Salary Report, 2017–18

You Can Afford UCR

- **86%** of UCR undergraduate students who applied received some form of financial aid.
- **97%** of Financial Aid recipients received gift-aid (grants and/or scholarships).
- **80%** of students' financial aid need was met with need-based financial aid.

(Financial Aid Office, 2020–21)

Let us show you how: [finaid.ucr.edu](http://finaid.ucr.edu)

Get a Job at UCR
With 2,600 part-time and work-study jobs on campus, you can work year-round for competitive wages! [careers.ucr.edu](http://careers.ucr.edu)

Source: Career Center Annual Report 2016-17

Your Future Starts Today with These Career Center Services
Get a jump-start on your career now with these career readiness services from UCR’s on-campus and virtual Career Center:

- Drop-in counseling
- Internships
- Grad school guidance
- Job search strategies
- Career planning
- How-to workshops
- Online resources
- Career fairs

I enjoy how many research opportunities there are here at UCR. It was relatively easy for me to become a researcher on campus. I did it for a class unit and it was really helpful for me toward my career path!

Nesreen Alkam
Transfer Student, Fourth-Year, Biology

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Student Support: CNAS’ STEM Connections Program
Peer mentoring, transfer transition workshops, faculty/student mixers, field trips and paid undergraduate research opportunities.
cnas.ucr.edu/stempathway

Transition to UCR with the Transfer Success Zone
Study, take part in student success seminars and get involved with social mixers at the Transfer Success Zone, located in the Academic Resource Center (ARC).
arcrec.ucr.edu

Summer Sessions
Stay on track — or get ahead — to finish your degree in four years! You’ll also enjoy smaller class sizes and more interactions with faculty, Summer financial aid available. summer.ucr.edu

Take a Tour
Schedule a student-guided walking tour or take a virtual tour of labs, studios and popular hangouts. visit.ucr.edu

How to Get into Your Major
Students who complete the following are admitted to UCR:

Breadth Requirements – You are strongly encouraged to focus on preparatory coursework (mathematics, science and technical work) for your desired major rather than completing the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC). However, CNAS does accept completion of IGETC as satisfying the majority of breadth requirements.

Prerequisites – Use ASSIST.org to view the prerequisites needed for your intended major (and to make sure your classes will transfer).

Minimum GPA – Strive to surpass the 2.7 minimum GPA.

Become a CNAS Science Ambassador
Become a CNAS Science Ambassador and receive professional development mentoring from Divisional Deans.

What You Can Do with a Bachelor’s Degree in Biology
Depending on your undergraduate coursework/experience, you could be a(n):

Game Warden
Laboratory Technologist
Naturalist
Park Ranger
Preparator/Taxidermist

Advanced degrees are needed for the following:

Air Pollution Control Specialist
Aquatic Biologist
Biological Illustrator
Biology Teacher/ Instructor/ Professor
Cell Biologist
Chiropractor
Conservation Biologist
Dentist
Dental Hygienist
Ecologist
Environmental Consultant
Genetic Counselor
Geneticist
Histologist
Medical Technologist
Microbiologist
Museum Educator
Nutritionist
Nurse

Range Manager
Salesperson of Biological Products
Technical Writer/Editor
Urban Planner

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST
OPTOMETRIST
OSTEOPATH
PHARMACOLOGIST
PHYSICAL THERAPIST
PHYSICIAN
PHARMACIST
PHYSICIAN’S ASSISTANT
PHYSIOLOGIST
PODiatrist
POPULATION BIOLOGIST
PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATOR
SCIENCE LIBRARIAN
SPEECH THERAPIST
TAXONOMIST
VETERINARIAN
WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BIOLOGIST
ZOOLOGICAL PARK CURATOR
ZOOLOGIST

Student Success: 6 Months After Graduation
Statistics collected from the class of 2020 in a survey that was given six months after graduation.

66% Employed
23% Post-Graduate Program
10% Seeking Employment
1% Not Seeking Employment

Source: Career Center Annual Report 2019-20

High-Profile Companies Hire CNAS Graduates
CNAS graduates go on to influence the pharmaceutical and plastics industries, manage space missions, track oil spills in the world’s oceans and more.

NASA
JPL
NSWC
MIT
DUPONT
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
National Geographic

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