International Freshman Admission Checklist

Prepare for UC Riverside

Use this month-to-month checklist to keep on task as you progress through the application and admission process. Carefully read and complete each listed item as you prepare for your academic career at UCR.

Junior Year/Year 11

September–November

- Schedule a campus tour or take a virtual tour at visit.ucr.edu.
- Consider taking the IELTS or TOEFL exam early. For test dates and locations, visit ielts.org or toefl.org. A TOEFL score of iBT 80 and above and IELTS score of 6.5 and above is required.

Senior Year/Year 12

August

- Start working on your application! Beginning Aug. 1, visit apply.universityofcalifornia.edu to access your UC undergraduate application for admission.
- Have copies of your transcripts available to fill out the self-reported sections of the application.

November

- Apply to UCR! Submit your UC undergraduate application for admission online from Nov. 1–30.

December

- Take or retake the IELTS or TOEFL exam no later than Dec. 31. Have scores sent directly from the testing service to UCR.

March

- Visit housing.ucr.edu to explore your on-campus housing options and take a virtual tour. Housing contracts become available on March 1 and are due (along with the first payment) on May 10.
- Admission notifications begin in early March. Visit My.UCR.EDU to view your admission status.

April

- Attend Highlander Day Open House in April. Visit highlanderday.ucr.edu to learn more.

May–July (If admitted):

- Submit Your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) and tuition deposit online by May 1. Accept your Non-Resident Achievement Scholarship contract if offered of up to $4,500 per quarter (for top-achieving students).
- Submit your housing contract and first payment by May 10.
- Submit your final official transcripts by May 15 and test scores and supporting documents to UCR Undergraduate Admissions no later than July 15. Supporting documents include required forms UCR needs in order to issue your Form I-20 form (which is required to obtain your F-1 student visa). Visit My.UCR.EDU to download the forms through your MyUCR account.

May–July (If admitted): [UC Riverside will no longer use standardized exam scores (ACT/SAT) in our comprehensive review and selection process for the fall 2021 admission cycle. Exam scores may still be used to meet area b of the a-g subject requirements as well as the UC Entry Level Writing requirement.]