Nontraditional Admission Checklist

Prepare for UC Riverside

9th Grade & 10th Grade

- Set up a four-year study plan with your counselor. Meet annually to ensure that your courses meet UCR requirements.
- Begin participating in extracurricular activities.
- Plan your college finances with your family.
- Attend college fairs and speak with UCR representatives. Visit admissions.ucr.edu to see when we visit your area or host a virtual event.

11th Grade

January–April

- Visit scholarships.ucr.edu to research scholarship opportunities.
- Attend Highlander Day in April. Visit highlanderday.ucr.edu for details.

12th Grade

August

- Start working on your application! Beginning Aug. 1, visit go.ucr.edu/apply to access your UC undergraduate application for admission.
- Visit scholarships.ucr.edu to research scholarship opportunities.

October–March

- Apply for financial aid by submitting a FAFSA (fafsa.ed.gov) or DREAM application (dream.cscaa.ca.gov) between Oct. 1 and March 2. UCR’s school codes: FAFSA (001316) and DREAM (001316)
- Apply to UCR! Submit your UC undergraduate application for admission online from Oct. 1–Nov. 30.

December

- Admission notifications begin in March. Visit My.UCR.EDU to check your admission status through your MyUCR account.
- Submit your Cal Grant GPA verification form by March 2. Visit calgrants.org to learn more.
- Receive your Student Aid Report via mail or email confirming receipt of your FAFSA.
- Notify UCR Undergraduate Admissions of any changes in academic courses or performance.

April

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

May–July (If admitted):

- Submit your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) and deposit online by May 1.
- Submit your Housing contract by May 10. Visit housing.ucr.edu to explore your options and take a virtual tour.
- Submit your Statement of Legal Residence (SLR) online by May 15.
- Submit any financial aid documents requested on RWeb.ucr.edu by June 12.
- Visit orientation.ucr.edu to register for mandatory Highlander Orientation by June 12.
- Submit official transcripts to UCR Undergraduate Admissions by July 1.
- Submit all other official supporting documents, including test scores, to UCR Undergraduate Admissions by July 15.

UC Riverside will no longer use standardized exam scores (ACT/SAT) in our comprehensive review and selection process. If you choose to submit test scores as part of your application, they may be used to determine your eligibility for the California statewide admissions guarantee, as an alternative method of fulfilling minimum requirements for eligibility or for course placement after you enroll.