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 will be visiting your area or hosting a virtual event.

11th Grade
- January–April
  - Attend Highlander Day Open House in April. Visit highlanderday.ucr.edu to learn more.

12th Grade
- August
  - Start working on your application! Beginning Aug. 1, visit apply.universityofcalifornia.edu to access your UC undergraduate application for admission.
- September
  - Sign up to take (or retake) the SAT or ACT. Visit sat.org and act.org for test dates. Plan to take exams before the Dec. 31 deadline!
- October–March
  - Apply for UCR financial aid annually, October–March 2, at fasfa.ed.gov (UCR code 001316).
  - Apply to UCR! Submit your UC undergraduate application for admission online from Nov. 1–30.
  - Admission notifications begin in March. Visit My.UCR.EDU to check your admission status.
  - Receive your Student Aid Report via mail or email confirming receipt of your FAFSA.
  - Notify UCR Undergraduate Admissions of any changes to your academic courses or performance.
- April
  - If you can, 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 housing 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 for the fall 2021 admission cycle. 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.