Admission Requirements and Application Process

- A minimum of a bachelor’s degree (BA/BS) or the equivalent from an accredited institution is required.
- To be eligible for admission, you must have at least a 3.0 (B) grade point average.
- You may apply to only one graduate program.
- Upon completion of the application and receipt of the application fee ($105 for US citizens and permanent residents, and $125 for international applicants), or alternatively, once the application fee waiver application has been approved, an admission file is established by the Graduate Division. (See more information on fee waivers [1].) All supporting documents, e.g. transcripts and letters of recommendation, are sent directly to the individual graduate programs. Please be sure to read carefully the instructions in the online application for the program to which you are applying. Some programs may require you to submit additional documentation, and program contacts and mailing addresses differ. Graduate programs will retain a copy of your official transcripts and will forward the originals to the Graduate Division.
- When an application is complete and the application fee has been paid or waived, the graduate program’s admission committee makes a recommendation to the Graduate Division for admission or denial. Final authority to admit or deny admission resides with the dean of the Graduate Division. The dean will not admit a student without the concurrence of the faculty of a graduate program; however, the dean may deny admission even if acceptance is recommended by the committee.
- Once the graduate program and graduate dean have made their admission recommendations, the Graduate Division sends a notice to the applicant via email. Applicants may then log into their online application account to view their admission status. They will also be able to view or print an official Graduate Division letter of admission (or denial of admission), signed by the dean of the Graduate Division. If offered admission, applicants will also indicate their intention to accept or not accept admission via the online application system.
- All students are required to submit documentation of immunizations and complete a tuberculosis screening questionnaire. For more details on the requirements visit the Student Health and Counseling Service [2] website.
- Admission to an intercampus joint degree program requires approval by the deans and faculty of both campuses.
The Graduate Division does not admit students to non-degree or unclassified status for the purpose of course work only. Students must apply for a specific degree offered at UCSF and may only apply to one graduate program.

UCSF welcomes applications for admission from undocumented individuals, such as those who qualify under Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and/or AB540. Please visit the website of the UC Office of the President (UCOP) for more information.

International Applicants

In addition to meeting the same admission requirements domestic students must meet, international applicants from non-English speaking countries must also demonstrate proficiency in English by completing one year of study with a minimum GPA of 3.00 at an accredited college or university in the United States, OR by obtaining the following minimum scores on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) administered by ETS, or the IELTS—the International English Language Testing System. Test scores are valid from these institutions for a maximum of two years from the test date.

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The Graduate Division requires that transcripts from institutions outside of the US be accompanied by an evaluation from an accredited evaluation service. We recommend World Education Services (WES).

International students who are accepted for admission must provide evidence of sufficient financial resources to support their study at UCSF.

The International Students and Scholars Office (ISSO) is responsible for providing visa services and advising international students on issues such as immigration and employment. Although international students may be approved for admission based on academic criteria, the ISSO cannot issue a certificate of eligibility for non-immigrant student status until the applicant provides evidence of sufficient financial resources.

Admitted international students are required to complete the "Confidential Financial Statement." A link to this form is provided with the electronic notification of admission. If the financial statement indicates that the student has sufficient resources to attend UCSF, the certificate of eligibility for non-immigrant student status will be mailed to the applicant. Further information for international students may be found on the ISSO website.

Ready to apply? Go to the Graduate Division application site.