

UC SANTA BARBARA

Freshman Summer Start Program



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Summer Sessions

2024

START STRONG



Designed to help freshmen make a **successful transition to campus life**, this innovative six-week program offers admitted first-year students a unique opportunity to **take UC Santa Barbara courses for full academic credit** and access a wide range of **customized academic and social activities**.

Dive into your UC Santa Barbara experience by exploring a rich selection of courses that will broaden your horizons and help you immediately **advance toward achieving your educational goals**. Live alongside your peers to **immerse yourself in your new community**, participate in social activities ranging from local hikes to game nights and competitions, and **foster lasting connections with others**.

BENEFITS

For Freshman Students



Get a head start on academics with the opportunity to register in 7 to 12 units that meet your general education or pre-major requirements.



Choose from a rich selection of over 70 undergraduate courses.



Get to know faculty in a small classroom setting and supportive atmosphere, through first-year discovery seminars, faculty-led field trips, and fireside chats.



Explore campus opportunities from undergraduate research, to student clubs and organizations, to on-campus jobs. Learn about the many ways you can make the most of your time at UCSB.



Connect with hundreds of other incoming freshmen to build a social foundation of friends you will rely on throughout your undergraduate career.



Gain a comprehensive introduction to campus resources, facilities, and services, so that you have everything you need to make a smooth transition to college life and be successful at UCSB!



ESTIMATED COSTS

\$279.00 Per-unit Course Fee (7 unit min.)
\$26.53 Student Technology Fee
\$546.69 Campus-based Fee
\$50.00 Programing and Activity Fee (non-refundable)
\$25.00 Application Fee (non-refundable)
\$3,521.00 Housing & Meals*

** Estimated fees based on triple occupancy. Cost is higher with single or double occupancy.*

In Summer 2024, undergraduate unit fees are being capped at 10 units, so you can take up to 12 units, but won't pay for more than 10!

FINANCIAL AID AND SAVINGS

Financial aid is available for eligible students, and thanks to FSSP-specific grants and scholarships, the average aid award for FSSP students is nearly twice as much as for other students studying in Summer. In fact, over \$1 million in aid is typically distributed to FSSP participants each year! Students who may not be eligible for federal aid, but are still concerned about affordability, can take advantage of the 10-unit Summer fee cap, or enroll in a course offering a course scholarship. [Visit the Financial Aid & Savings page](#) to learn about these and other summer savings opportunities.

DID YOU KNOW?

All students pay the same tuition and fees as a California Resident during Summer months, allowing international and out-of-state students to benefit from cost savings!

TWO EASY STEPS TO ENROLL

1. Submit your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) for Fall 2024 with the UCSB Office of Admissions by May 15th, 2024.
2. Visit summer.ucsb.edu/fssp and complete the Freshman Summer Start Program online enrollment form starting April 15th, 2024.

FSSP Voices



Exploring the campus before it got crowded was an invaluable aspect of FSSP. The quieter atmosphere allowed me to discover various parts of UCSB, connect with professors, and seek advice academically. This allowed me to plan out my courses for the year and build a foundation for academic success.”

— Thomas Zheng 2023

“ I was able to build a community by communicating with other students and faculty during the social events, not only that but my roommates and I became very close just by living together. This helped me build relationships with different groups of people that I knew would be beneficial to have whenever I needed support or someone to look to in the good and bad times.

— Micaela Anais Hernandez 2023



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