First Year Edge (Remote) Student & Parent Checklist

Open to UC Santa Cruz incoming students, First Year Edge is a remote learning program that takes place during Summer Session 2 and the week preceding it. Supported online, you will not only make great connections with faculty, peer mentors, and classmates but also learn how to navigate campus life. This checklist will help guide you. Please email our office with questions or concerns.

GETTING STARTED

- Submit your admissions SIR (Statement of Intent to Register)
- Register at https://summer.ucsc.edu/summer-edge/firstyear-edge/firstyear-registration.html, indicate you will be attending First Year Edge (offered remotely this summer).
- Pay the non-refundable $100 registration fee. It can take 3-5 days to set up your accounts and activate your portal, enrollment, billing, and more for this summer.

ENROLL IN CLASS

Once your registration process is complete, you can enroll. https://summer.ucsc.edu/summer-edge/firstyear-edge/firstyear-enrollment.html

- Enroll in the required 2-credit Navigating the Research University (Stevenson 26 - there are lots of sections to choose from). This course enables your 25% summer tuition discount.
- Enroll in a 5-credit class of your choice. See our website for recommendations from academic advisers.
- You can take more than 7 credits, but we recommend 7 - it is a lot of work in five accelerated weeks and these courses go on your permanent academic record.
- Tuition does not appear immediately, it can take a few days to post in your portal.

FINANCIAL AID

To assist with costs, the Financial Aid Office offers up to $2,800 in grant funding based on need as determined by the FAFSA (or Dream Application if applicable). International students are not eligible for aid.

- Submit a 2019-2020 FAFSA by June 27. A 2019-2020 FAFSA (from last year) is needed for new students to receive financial aid for the 2020 summer quarter. This is in addition to the 2020-2021 FAFSA you file for the upcoming year. https://financialaid.ucsc.edu/cost-to-attend/summer-edge.html
- You must first be enrolled in your classes to get your Financial Aid estimate. Receiving Edge funding does not decrease your four year aid eligibility.
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PAYMENT

- You can pay via credit card or eCheck in your portal or by mail to the SBS Service Center. Details at https://summer.ucsc.edu/tuition-aid/payment-refund.html

- To authorize a Parent/Other payers who can then view a student eBill/make payments, invite an "other payer/create parent pin" at My UCSC > UCSC eBill/ePay.

- You can start paying any time after charges post to your MyUCSC account. If your account says "Future," it is likely because you enrolled between billing statements, and will have to wait until the next billing statement to pay (there is no penalty for this). Final payments are due by August 13.

ACADEMIC DEADLINES

- Make note of the academic deadlines on our calendar to add, drop, request a W in one course, withdraw from the quarter, or change a grade option. Don't miss a deadline! https://summer.ucsc.edu/studentlife/index.html

CANCELLATION

- If you register and then decide you won't be coming, email your request to firstyearedge@ucsc.edu, and we will cancel your registration (the $100 registration fee is non-refundable).

- If you have enrolled in any summer courses, you must drop them yourself in your student portal. Instructors do not drop you for not attending or not paying. If you stay enrolled, you will be responsible for the tuition and academic consequences, i.e., you will receive an F.

- Financial Aid: If you received Financial Aid, once you cancel, that aid will no longer be available to you.