First Year Edge Student & Parent Checklist

Open to UC Santa Cruz incoming students, First Year Edge is an on-campus program that takes place during Summer Session 2 and the week preceding it. You attend classes and live in the residence hall with peer mentors. This checklist will help guide you. Please call or 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. Registration is open April 1 - June 15
- 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.
- If you are coming from outside of the United States, and need to obtain an F-1 or J-1 student visa, email istudent@ucsc.edu to let us know. May 31 is the deadline to submit Visa documents.

ENROLL IN CLASS

Once your registration process is complete, you can enroll. In Edge, you cannot take Session 1, 8wk, or 10wk classes. 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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HOUSING & DINING

- Apply to “Summer Edge Housing” (not Session 2) for dates July 21 to August 29 at https://housing.ucsc.edu/summer/edge/index.html#rates. You and your mentors will live together in College Ten - this won’t affect your college affiliation or fall housing assignment.

- Application opens May 15. While they can’t guarantee everyone gets their first choice, priority will be given to students who submit by May 29.

- If you need continuous housing between the end of summer and start of fall quarter, you can apply for transitional housing (studenthousing.ucsc.edu).

HEALTH INSURANCE & REQUIREMENTS

- You are required to have insurance. Undergraduate students are automatically enrolled in and charged for UC Student Health Insurance Plan (UC SHIP) unless you waive by July 20 with proof you have coverage: https://healthcenter.ucsc.edu/billing-insurance/index.html

- Upload your completed vaccination data on Health e-Messenger. Find detailed requirements and next steps at the Student Health Center - https://healthcenter.ucsc.edu/information/uc_vaccines.html

PARKING/TRANSPORTATION

- Apply for an Edge parking permit (if you intend to have a car on campus). Applications are through Transportation and Parking Services https://taps.ucsc.edu/parking/summer-session-parking.html

- If you need a Metro pass, your Slug Card (student ID card) will serve as a bus pass.

PAYMENT

- You can pay via credit card at summer.ucsc.edu or in person at the SBS Service Center

- 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). Payments due by August 13.
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MOVE-IN

- A free airport pickup is available from Mineta San Jose International Airport (SJC) or San Francisco International Airport (SFO) on **Tuesday, July 21 (move-in day) and Saturday, August 29 (move-out day)**. To request a shuttle, email us by June 29:
  (1) Forward airline-issued itinerary (not a screenshot, the whole email please) and (2) your cell number

- You will move into your Summer Edge residence hall on Tuesday, July 21. You will receive an email from the housing office with directions, times, and other move-in details in July. No early Move In.

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](https://summer.ucsc.edu/studentlife/index.html)

  Session 2: July 27 - August 28 Deadlines
  • Add - Thursday, July 30
  • Drop - Monday, August 3 (tuition reversed)
  • Change Grade Option - Friday, August 14
  (this is to change from earning a letter grade to instead receive either a “Pass” or a “No Pass”)
  • Request "W" Grade - Friday, August 14 (no tuition reversal)
  (this is to withdraw from a course, to receive a “W” and not complete the class)

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.

- A $50 cancellation fee will post if you enrolled in courses at any time and then dropped all courses for summer. This fee is nonrefundable. Mark your calendar for mid-August to send in that payment. You can’t pay it before it exists, but we don’t want you to forget. If you were not enrolled, there’s no fee.

- If you submitted a housing application, it must also be canceled. Log into your housing portal studenthousing.ucsc.edu to cancel. Be proactive - consult your contract for cancellation fee information.

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

- Other Offices: be sure to cancel with any other offices you may have contracted with for summer including:
  ➔ UCSHIP (summer insurance if you did not waive)
  ➔ TAPS (if you bought summer parking permit)