

## **UC Santa Cruz Art Majors Important Information for Transfer Students**

A portfolio review is required for junior transfer students to be accepted as art majors at UC Santa Cruz. The portfolio review is conducted every year in April for admission to the Art Department the coming fall. The Portfolio Review Application deadline for fall 2010 entering students will be April 5, 2010. Please be advised that the Art Department is no longer accepting new transfer students in the winter quarter.

Please let your students know that currently, the portfolio review process at UCSC is highly competitive. Transfer students who wish to major in art must take at least three studio courses that fulfill UCSC art major requirements (see list on [art.ucsc.edu/programs/requirements](http://art.ucsc.edu/programs/requirements) and [assist.org](http://assist.org)) at their community college. However, to prepare themselves as well as possible, students are advised to take more than the minimum three studio courses, since three courses may not be enough studio work to pass the highly competitive portfolio review.

The UC Application and the Art Department Portfolio Review Application are separate processes that are independent of each other. Being accepted to UCSC does not guarantee that a student will pass the portfolio review, and passing the portfolio review does not guarantee admission to UCSC.

*Junior transfer students who do not pass the portfolio review (even if accepted to UCSC) will not be eligible to take art classes at UCSC. If these students decide to attend UCSC despite not passing the portfolio review, they must pursue an alternative major other than art.*

For further information about the portfolio review process, including a list of the required application materials and information on how the portfolios are judged, please see [art.ucsc.edu/programs/portfolioreview](http://art.ucsc.edu/programs/portfolioreview).

Best wishes,  
UC Santa Cruz  
Office of Admissions