



UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS

Transfer Admission Information

Eligibility Requirements:

To be eligible to apply to the University of San Diego, you are required to be in good standing at your current or most recent institution. Applicants are highly encouraged to have completed a minimum of 24 semester (36 quarter) units* of transferable coursework at a regionally accredited community college or university while maintaining at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average (GPA). Admission preference will be given to strong applicants who have far exceeded the minimum unit and GPA requirements, while also having achieved competitive grades in both English Composition & Literature and College Algebra. Please review the **Academic Preparation** section of this form for more information on these requirements, as well as tips for strengthening your admission candidacy.

Application Deadlines:

- Fall Term: March 1
- Spring Term: October 1

Application Requirements:

- Completed Common Application, including:
 - USD Member Questions
 - Essay
 - Application fee of \$55
- Official college transcript(s) from all institutions attended
 - All completed and attempted college course work (including non-academic) must be submitted.
- Official final high school transcript or proof of high school completion/equivalency
- Academic Letter of Recommendation
 - You must submit at least one academic letter of recommendation from a college professor.
- Transfer College Report
- Transfer Midterm Report
 - You are required to submit midterm grades for any course work in progress at the time of application. Your in-progress course work may be used to count toward the minimum unit requirement recommended for admission eligibility.

Academic Preparation:

- When registering for courses at your current institution, we strongly recommend that you refer to USD's **core curriculum requirements** (outlined on the opposite page). It is **NOT** necessary to complete all core curriculum requirements before transferring to USD; however, maintaining a balanced curriculum that is in-line with our core curriculum will aid you in completing your USD degree in a timely manner.
- If you have attended or are currently **attending a community college within California**, please reference both your institution's **IGETC** pattern and the table on reverse side of this form to ensure that your courses will transfer to USD.
- If you have attended or are currently attending a four-year college/university in California or an institution outside of California or, refer to our **Transfer Equivalency Search Tool** for transferable courses. Though we do not have complete lists of transferrable courses from all colleges and universities, we highly encourage you to consult this tool prior to signing up for your courses. The Transfer Equivalency Search Tool is available at https://usdssb.sandiego.edu/prod/usd_transfer_credit_ssb.p_search_page.
- Grade point averages are calculated from all transferable academic courses in all semesters/quarters of college work attempted. There is no maximum number of transferable units that may be accepted, but if admitted, you will be expected to complete your final 30 units at USD in addition to any core requirements in order to be awarded a USD degree.
- *Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) credits will not count toward the minimum unit requirement. If you previously applied to USD as a first-year candidate and were denied admission, you are required to complete one full year of college classes elsewhere before reapplying as a transfer student.

Core Curriculum Requirements

Competencies

Subject Area	Requirement	Notes for Preparation
First-Year Writing	3 units	Satisfied by courses outlined in IGETC 1A.
Mathematical Reasoning	3 units	Satisfied by courses outlined in IGETC 2A, excluding statistics.
Second Language	third semester competency	Competency will be determined by a language proficiency exam upon enrollment at USD.

Foundations

Subject Area	Requirement	Notes for Preparation
Theological and Religious Inquiry	6 units (3 lower division, 3 upper division)	Lower division requirement must focus on Catholic Christianity. Upper division requirement must be completed at USD.
Philosophical Inquiry	3 units	Any IGETC approved philosophy course, with the exception of ethics, values or logic.
Ethical Inquiry	3 units	Any IGETC approved philosophy course that focus on ethics or values. This requirement can be fulfilled within your major. To receive concurrent credit, course must be taken at USD.

Exploring the Liberal Arts

Subject Area	Requirement	Notes for Preparation
Historical Inquiry	3 units	Satisfied by courses outlined in IGETC 4F: History.
Literary Inquiry	3 units	Any IGETC approved course with a focus on literature.
Artistic Inquiry	3 units	Satisfied by courses outlined in IGETC 3A.
Scientific and Technological Inquiry	3-4 units	Satisfied by courses outlined in IGETC 5. Must include lab.
Social and Behavioral Inquiry	3 units	Satisfied by courses outlined in IGETC 4, excluding history.

Enhanced Skills (Flagged Courses)

Subject Area	Requirement	Notes for Preparation
Advanced Writing	3 units (upper division)	This requirement can be fulfilled within your major. To receive concurrent credit, course must be taken at USD.
Oral Communication	3 units	Satisfied by courses outlined in IGETC 1C. This requirement can be fulfilled within your major. To receive concurrent credit, course must be taken at USD.
Quantitative Reasoning	3 units	Satisfied by courses outlined in IGETC 2A that focus on statistics. This requirement can be fulfilled within your major. To receive concurrent credit, course must be taken at USD.
Diversity, Inclusion, Social Justice	6 units	This requirement can be fulfilled within your major. To receive concurrent credit, course must be taken at USD.

Recommended Business Preparation

(For prospective business majors ONLY)

Subject Area	Requirement	Notes for Preparation
Macroeconomics	3 units	We highly encourage transfer students interested in the USD School of Business to begin working toward satisfying these courses, which are foundational requirements across all business majors at USD. Please note: In order to receive credit for an introductory Information Systems course completed at another institution, you will be required to pass the MS Excel Exam.
Microeconomics	3 units	
Financial Accounting	3 units	
Managerial Accounting	3 units	
Calculus	3 units	
Information Systems	3 units	