LAVC's Transfer Alliance Program (TAP/Honors) November 2021 Newsletter

To: TAP Students and Faculty

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Dear TAP Students and Community,

The Fall 2022 Application Season is in full swing for students applying for transfer to a 4-year institution for admission that would begin in August/September 2022. The <u>University of California application</u> can be submitted anytime between November 1 – 30, 2021. Please look through the newsletter for resources, workshops and support as you work on all your applications, including separate ones for any of our <u>Honors Partnership Colleges</u>, CSUs, <u>HBCU</u>s, and private universities. Good luck to all those submitting applications!

In addition, as the Fall semester has reached its midpoint, we want to support students preparing for midterms and finals. Please see the tutoring services available from <u>LAVC's</u> Academic Resource Center, including 1:1 virtual tutoring with Penji.

Finally, we want to remind all students they have until 5:00PM, Friday, November 19, 2021 to provide proof of vaccination or submit an exemption, and complete a baseline test. See Student Updates page for all details on complying with the vaccine mandate issued by LACCD's Board of Trustees.

Dr. Hu and Mr. Petrini

I. FALL 2022 ADMISSION CYCLE FOR TRANSFERRING

Applications for Fall 2022 transfer are accepted. Links and deadlines are as follows:

- California State University (CSU) <u>Application Link</u>, Due: November 30, 2021
- University of California (UC) <u>Application Link</u>, Due: November 30, 2021
- University of Southern California (USC) There are two (2) application deadlines, dependent on major, as defined below. USC applicants use the Common Application.

December 1, 2021: Deadline for all BFA Dramatic Arts programs (theatre majors); the Thornton School of Music; the Glorya Kaufman School of Dance; the Iovine and Young Academy; plus, Animation and Digital Arts majors, and Writing for Screen and Television majors in the School of Cinematic Arts.

February 15, 2022: Deadline for all other programs at USC. Students who apply for admission by February 15 will also be considered for USC Merit Scholarships.

II. UCLA'S TAP ADMISSION & FALL 2022 TAP CERTIFICATION PROCESS

Students who complete LAVC's TAP/Honors Program (see below for details) receive priority consideration for admission to the <u>UCLA College</u> (of Letters and Science). As a primary benefit of TAP Certification, students not selected for admission to their first-choice major will be *automatically* reviewed for an alternate major within the College, so long as it is not one of the <u>16 Restricted Majors</u>.

Your alternate major must be listed on your original UC Application and will match what is reported to UCLA's Transfer Alliance Program through LAVC's TAP Certification process with Mr. Petrini.

The TAP policy on review of alternate majors is still restricted to those in the UCLA College. Majors in the Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science (HSSEAS), the School of Arts and Architecture (SOAA), the Herb Alpert School of Music, the School of Nursing, and the School of Theater, Film and Television (TFT) <u>are not acceptable for alternate major review.</u> (Update: UCLA's TAP Council in October 2021 announced that the Pre-Public Affairs major has just been added as an acceptable alternate major; however, the Pre-Education and Social Transformation major is still restricted).

UC Application Process

- o Complete and submit the UC Application between November 1 − 30, 2021 for Fall 2022.
- You DO NOT need to indicate on your UC application that you are a TAP student, as this is handled during the TAP Certification process. However, most TAP students will mention their involvement in LAVC's Transfer Alliance/Honors Program in the Educational and/or Extracurricular Programs sections, as well as within their PIQs.
- Please make sure your personal essays and application are your own work! Undergraduate Admissions across the UC have seen an increase in PIQ responses that are inauthentic, as students are using essays found online. If plagiarism has occurred, the student's UC Application will be canceled, and future applications will be flagged. Each one of you has your own personal journey. Tell that story!
- See this <u>UC webinar which explains PIQ</u> tips and the evaluative process.
- Do not forget to apply to any UC campus in which you submitted a TAG.

UC Application Resources

- For support in completing your UC application, please visit <u>LAVC's Career / Transfer Center</u> either on campus or online for transfer basics and an application overview. There are drop-in application workshops and UC Representative appointments posted on CTC's Calendar.
- However, should you need more technical support on your UC application please call the UC Application Center at (800) 207-1710 (within the U.S.) or (925) 298-6856 (outside the U.S.), Monday Friday, 10am 6pm (Pacific Time), or e-mail <u>ucinfo@applyucsupport.net</u>. There is also a webpage for <u>Commonly Asked UC Application Student Questions and Answers.</u>
- To see which UC campuses admit students to an alternate major, please see pages 45 and 46 of the Quick Reference Guide to UC Admissions for specific campus policies.
- Resources for <u>undocumented students</u> and <u>veteran students</u> are also available. See also the
 <u>Resources for Transfer Students to UCLA</u> page, which includes <u>CCCP</u> and STOMP (Student Transfer
 Outreach Mentorship Program).

Fall 2021 UCLA TAP Admissions Data

- For some insight and encouragement, UCLA received 2,237 TAP Transfer Applications overall for Fall 2021 admission. 1,632 students were admitted for a 73% admit rate for TAP students. 94% of these students were admitted to their first-choice major, and over 30% identify belonging to an underrepresented minority (URM) group.
- Please see the <u>UCLA Transfer Profile page</u> for statistical information regarding all UCLA transfer applicants for last year, plus past years for historical context.

LAVC Certification Process – TAP Requirements

- In order to be TAP Certified for Fall 2022 admission, students must have 18 or 15 Honors units
 completed, plus LIB SCI 101, by the end of Spring 2022. At least 9 Honors units must be completed
 by the end of Fall 2021 in order for the TAP Certification process to be initiated by Mr. Petrini.
- Once you have enrolled in your Winter **and/or** Spring 2022 classes and your schedules are set, please email Mr. Petrini to set up an appointment for TAP Certification.
- Beginning January 3, 2022, LAVC will receive a list of all TAP students who have applied to UCLA.
 This will allow the identification of students in our program whom should be TAP Certified, and thus eligible for priority consideration for admission to the UCLA College.
- o Mr. Petrini and Dr. Hu will facilitate all forms to be submitted for TAP Certification.
- TAP-certified applicants will receive priority consideration as files are evaluated throughout March, and admission decisions will be released in late April 2022.
- Review these <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u> about the Certification process and preparedness, and visit <u>UCLA's TAP Online Resources</u> page for additional support.

III. UC CAMPUS RESOURCES FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

Whether the University of California campus for which you have interest has already offered an inperson or virtual event for prospective transfer students this Fall, or has events scheduled in November, please visit the links below to access recorded sessions about the Transfer Admissions Overview, listen to student panels, or to sign up for upcoming engagement events.

- UC Berkeley
- UC Davis
- UC Irvine
- UCLA: Attend the Virtual Transfer Admission Presentation, November 5 (10:00-11:00 AM)
- <u>UC Merced:</u> Application workshops offered throughout November
- <u>UC Riverside:</u> Experience <u>A Slice of Life, November 1—4</u> on Instagram Live
- UC San Diego: Attend Future Triton Week, November 1—4 or Why UC San Diego on Nov 17
- UC Santa Barbara: Register for multiple UC Application Webinars throughout November
- Santa Cruz: Attend Virtual Open House November 1—5

IV. FALL EVENTS FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS AT TAP PARTNER COLLEGES

- <u>Chapman University</u> (Orange, CA) Explore <u>Discover Chapman Events</u>, <u>November 8--21</u>
- La Sierra University (Riverside, CA) Campus tours in a limited capacity
- Loyola Marymount University (Los Angeles) On-campus and virtual tours
- Mills College (Oakland, CA) Virtual campus tours
- Occidental College (Los Angeles) Attend on-campus <u>Explore Occidental Day</u>, <u>November</u>
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- <u>Pomona College</u> (Claremont, CA) On-campus and virtual tours
- Pitzer College (Claremont, CA) On-campus and virtual tours
- Woodbury University (Burbank)

V. HONORS TRANSFER COUNCIL of CA (HTCC) TRANSFER PARTNERSHIPS

The HTCC negotiates <u>Transfer Partnerships</u> with other national and local colleges and universities for TAP/Honors students. LAVC students completing TAP enjoy enhanced transfer consideration and/or other benefits at these partner campuses. To see the agreement with a specific campus, click on the campus icon, then on "Partnership Agreement" or "HTCC Transfer Agreement" link at top right. For example, read <u>UC Irvine's Partnership Agreement</u> for an understanding of the benefits available through their <u>Honors to Honors</u> (H2H) Partnership.

In addition, if you are interested in presenting your academic work at the <u>22nd Annual UCI Community</u> <u>College Honors Research Conference</u> in March 2022, the application opens on December 1. Please contact Dr. Hu for further information about how to submit your research to the conference!

VI. JACK KENT COOKE UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP

The 2021-2022 Jack Kent Cooke Foundation's Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship application is open as of October 1, 2021. Eligible students are those transferring to begin studies in Fall 2022, and those not already enrolled in a four-year institution. Recipients can be awarded up to a maximum of \$55,000 per year for up to three years of funding!

The Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship application is submitted using the Common App for Transfer. All materials must be submitted by January 10, 2022. Email scholarship@jkcf.org with questions or visit the Jack Cooke Kent scholarship website for further details.