UC SANTA BARBARA

Graduate Division Admissions Guide 2017-2018





WHERE WILL GRADUATE SCHOOL LEAD YOU?

The UCSB Graduate Division offers master's degree and Ph.D. programs in diverse disciplines, with top programs in engineering, the sciences, social sciences, humanities, education, and the arts. Many of our graduate programs are inherently interdisciplinary, such as Materials Science, Technology Management, Global and International Studies, Media Arts and Technology, Religious Studies, and Environmental Sciences and Management.



A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

At UC Santa Barbara, we are committed to providing our graduate students with a world-class education and with the opportunities, resources and support for career attainment in academia, industry, government, non-profits, or the arts.

Our goal is to cultivate the individual strengths and talents of each student and welcome them as partners in our research and teaching mission. We are a highly interdisciplinary campus and provide many opportunities for discussion, collaboration, and discovery across disciplines. We recognize the critical role of diversity in these conversations; it is only by bringing together scholars of varied backgrounds, experiences and perspectives that we will realize our potential for excellence and innovation.

If you are looking to apply to one of our over 50 graduate degree programs, I invite you to explore how UC Santa Barbara can help you realize your full potential.

Dr. Carol Genetti

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Anne and Michael Towbes Graduate Dean UC Santa Barbara Graduate Division

JOIN OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITY OF SCHOLARS.

We welcome innovators, researchers, artists, entrepreneurs, educators, leaders and advocates from around the world and from all walks of life. We are committed to providing our 3,000 graduate students with a world-class education and with the opportunities, resources and support that will lead them to careers in diverse professions.



"It's exciting to have all these opportunities as a graduate student of color here at UCSB to engage in research with different sorts of people and disciplines. Not only are we committed to our educational goals, we are also invested in furthering our careers, as well as mentoring future generations of scholars."



MARIO ESPINOZA Ph.D. Student, UCSB Sociology Department Graduate Student Assistant, ONDAS Student Center





LEADERSHIP + SCHOLARSHIP

The University of California, Santa Barbara, is a leading research institution that fosters creativity, discovery and invention. The campus provides an inclusive climate for graduate study with a strong emphasis on interdisciplinary engagement and collaboration.



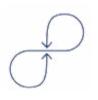
A Top 10 Public University

U.S. News and World Report's 2018 list of "Best Graduate Schools" ranks UC Santa Barbara's graduate programs among the top 10 in the nation.



Distinguished Faculty — 6 Nobel Laureates

Six faculty members won Nobel Prizes for landmark research in chemistry, physics and economics. Our faculty also serve as elected members of some of the most prestigious academic organizations.



Fostering Interdisciplinary Research Opportunities

Graduate students in participating programs can pursue Interdisciplinary emphases in 16 different areas. Doctoral candidates can participate in a year-long, multifaceted interdisciplinary research and classroom teaching experience through the UCSB Crossroads Program.



SHUJI NAKAMURA

Nobel Prize in Physics, NAE, Millennium Technology Prize Recipient, CREE Distinguished Professor, Materials



An Elite Research University

UC Santa Barbara is one of only 62 research-intensive institutions elected to membership in the Association of American Universities. Our campus hosts 12 national institutes and centers, including 8 institutes supported by the National Science Foundation.



A Global Leader in the Sciences

Leiden University ranked UC Santa Barbara number 2 among 500 of the world's top universities in terms of impact in all sciences including the humanities.



A Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Over 80 startups are based on UCSB technology. Fifty percent of inventions from UCSB are under licensing agreement.





CAREER + PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

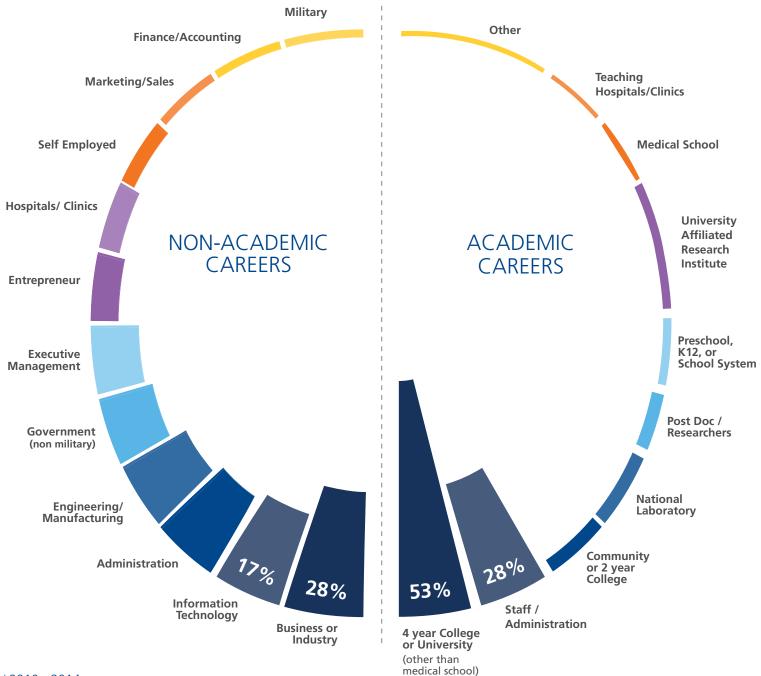
The UCSB Graduate Division provides all our graduate students access to employment opportunities and professional development resources.

- Over 100 professional development workshops produced for graduate students by the UCSB Graduate Student Resource Center. Graduate students can access information about workshops and opportunities through the USB GradPost. Learn more at **gradpost.ucsb.edu**.
- The annual UCSB Grad Slam competition helps develop vital presentation skills and the opportunity to convey research ideas to a wide audience. Learn more at **gradpost.ucsb.edu/grad-slam**
- Explore a wide range of career options at the UCSB Beyond Academia Conference designed for graduate students and postdoctoral researchers. Learn more at www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/profdev



WHAT'S NEXT?

Within three to four years of achieving their degree goals at UC Santa Barbara, our graduate alumni have found employment in academia, industry, the non-profit sector, government, and the arts.





A PIPELINE FOR SUCCESS

Sixteen percent of our 2016 incoming graduate student cohort are the first in their family to achieve a university education, with 22.4 percent of domestic students in the same group identifying as coming from an underrepresented community.

In the third annual College Access Index published by The New York Times, UC Santa Barbara has ranked No. 2 for its commitment to economic diversity, affordability, and financial assistance.

A DEMONSTRATED COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY

- UC Santa Barbara is the first member of the prestigious Association of American Universities to be designated as a Hispanic-Serving Institution -- a designation we celebrate and embrace.
- UCSB is committed to recognizing the unique and important contributions of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) through the UC-HBCU Initiative.
- All applicants to UCSB have the option to choose among six gender identities listed on admissions forms. All current UC students are able to update their preferred gender and sexual identity through the UCSB Registrar.

THE GRADUATE SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The Graduate Scholars Program provides first-year and second-year doctoral students from diverse backgrounds with an advanced doctoral student mentor, quarterly mentoring group meetings with a faculty mentor, career information, professional development from the Graduate Student Resource Center, networking events, and access to other campus resources.

BUILDING CONNECTIONS

Our graduate students value communities and bringing people together for social and academic dialogues. Across the UCSB campus, graduate students have the opportunity to engage in groups like the Graduate Student Association, Black Graduate Student Association, Graduate Students for Diversity in Science, the International Student Association, Women in Science and Engineering, Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science, and the Non-Traditional Students Group.



"Diversity here at UCSB isn't a one-dimensional discussion. It isn't just about the community you come from, or your racial background, where your parents and ancestors came from, or your sexual orientation or gender expression. Diversity could also be about the subject matter that you're into and the types of activities you like to engage in. At UCSB, we try to discuss diversity as it relates to ALL aspects of ourselves as human beings."

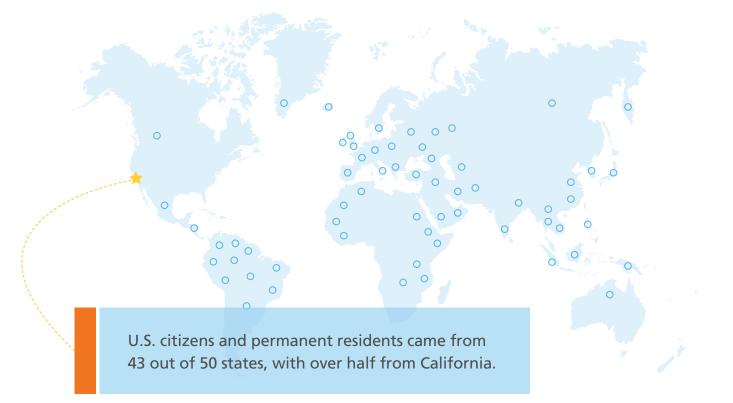
DANNY MEZA

Graduate Student Resource Center Diversity Peer

Ph.D.Student, UCSB Department of Counseling, Clinical & School Psychology (CCSP)

BRINGING THE WORLD'S MOST BRILLIANT MINDS TOGETHER AT UCSB

Our 2016 incoming graduate student cohort represented nearly every continent, hailing from 45 different countries across the globe. International students made up one-third of the total students enrolled for the 2016 / 2017 school year.





HOW DO YOU DEFINE QUALITY OF LIFE?

We strive to provide extensive resources for our graduate students to build their own blend of academic and social experiences here at UC Santa Barbara.

More than 900 graduate students can be accommodated at San Clemente Villages, UCSB's first housing community for single graduate students. New students are guaranteed two years in single student housing as long as they meet annual application deadlines. Family housing and childcare options are also available at UCSB, as well as in the immediate area. Students can also access health and wellness services on campus.

wellness.sa.ucsb.edu housing.ucsb.edu childrenscenter.sa.ucsb.edu

Network with fellow graduate students at events and gatherings hosted by the Graduate Student Association and the Graduate Student Resource Center.

www.gsa.ucsb.edu www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/profdev www.gradpost.ucsb.edu



EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES.

We offer a wide range of funding support for entering doctoral students, including centrally administered fellowships, department grants and positions as teaching assistants and graduate researchers.

UCSB FELLOWSHIPS

www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/financial/central-campus-fellowships

The Graduate Division provides fellowships to recruit outstanding graduate degree candidates. Fellowships may cover tuition and fees, health insurance, non-resident supplemental tuition and provide stipends. Students are nominated by their departments during the application process.

EXTRAMURAL FELLOWSHIPS

www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/financial/extramural-funding

Extramural funding is available to graduate students through academic fellowships, dissertation research grants, conference support, and more. The process of applying for fellowships is valuable professional training and opens to door to funding opportunities.

TEACHING AND RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/financial/employment

Applicants should direct queries about teaching assistantships and graduate student researcher opportunities to their chosen graduate degree program.

FINANCIAL AID www.finaid.ucsb.edu

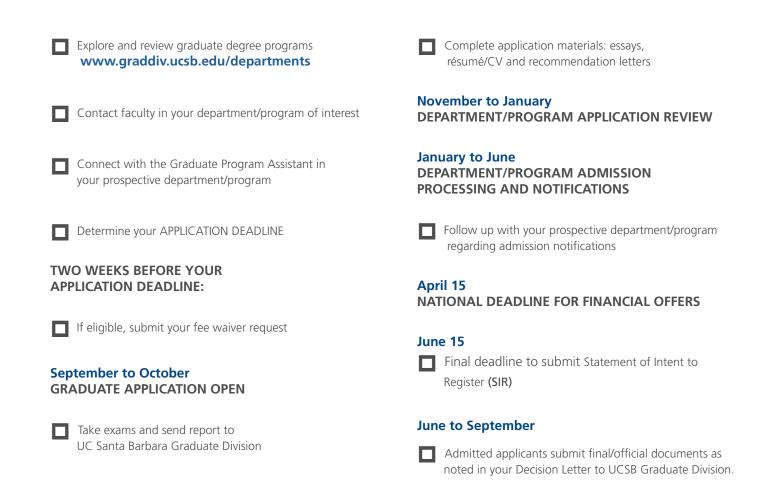
Financial aid for graduate students at UCSB is available through loans and work study options for U.S. citizens or eligible noncitizens. Graduate students wishing to be considered for work-study must submit their FAFSA each year by March 2 for the upcoming academic year.

For more information, please visit www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/financial

APPLICATION + ADMISSION CHECKLIST

APPLY IN EARLY FALL

www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/admissions





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UC **SANTA BARBARA** Graduate Degree Programs



CHOOSE YOUR PATH

We welcome talented students from all over the world to apply for our graduate programs.

Contact our Admissions & Outreach team to learn more about UCSB's graduate program application requirements and deadlines at **(805) 893-2277** or email us at:

gradadmissions@graddiv.ucsb.edu

For more information on our UCSB graduate degree programs and certificates:

www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/departments

HOW TO APPLY

www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/admissions/how-to-apply

For a list of graduate degree programs, see **reverse**.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Bachelor's degree or equivalent

Minimum 3.0 GPA or B average equivalent in undergraduate coursework.

Official GRE scores, with these exceptions:

GRE scores are not required for Art

GMAT scores may substitute for GRE scores for Technology Management Program

MAT scores may substitute for GRE scores for Teacher Education Program

Official TOEFL or IELTS scores, if applicable

Statement of Purpose, Statement of Personal Achievements/ Contributions, and Resume or Curriculum Vitae

Three Letters of Recommendation

Official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended

Any additional departmental requirements

UC SANTA BARBARA Graduate Degree Programs

Actuarial Science MS	Geography MA, MA/PhD, PhD, PhD Joint Program SDSU
Anthropology MA, MA/PhD	Global Studies MA, PhD
Applied Mathematics MA	Hispanic Languages and Literatures MA/PhD, PhD
Art MFA	History MA/PhD, PhD, Public History PhD Joint Program CSUS
Asian Studies MA	History of Art and Architecture MA/PhD, PhD
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology PhD	Latin American and Iberian Studies MA
Chemical Engineering PhD	Linguistics MA/PhD, PhD
Chemistry MA/PhD, MS/PhD, PhD	Marine Science MS, PhD
Chemistry/TEP Joint Graduate Degree Program MA/SST Credentials, MA/SST Credentials/MEd	Materials MS, MS/PhD, PhD
Chicana and Chicano Studies MA/PhD	Mathematics MA, MA/PhD, PhD
Classics MA/PhD, PhD	Mechanical Engineering MS, PhD
Communication MA/PhD, PhD	Media Arts and Technology MS, PhD
Comparative Literature MA/PhD, PhD	Molecular, Cellular & Developmental Biology MA, MA/PhD, PhD
Computer Science MS, PhD	Music MA, MA/PhD, PhD, MM, MM/DMA, DMA
Counseling, Clinical & School Psychology PhD, PPS	Philosophy MA/PhD, PhD
Dynamical Neuroscience PhD	Physics PhD
Earth Science MS, PhD	Political Science MA/PhD, PhD
East Asian Languages and Cultural Studies PhD	Psychological and Brain Sciences PhD
Ecology, Evolution & Marine Biology MA, MA/PhD, PhD	Religious Studies MA, MA/PhD, PhD
Economics MA/PhD, PhD	Sociology MA/PhD
Education MA, MA/PhD, PhD	Statistics MA
Education - Teacher Education Program MEd; ESC, MST, SST Credentials	Statistics and Applied Probability MA/PhD, PhD
Electrical & Computer Engineering MS, MS/PhD, PhD	Technology Management MTM, PhD
English MA/PhD, PhD	Theater Studies MA, MA/PhD, PhD
Environmental Science & Management MESM, PhD	CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS
Feminist Studies MA/PhD, PhD	Certificate in College and University Teaching
Film and Media Studies MA/PhD, PhD	Graduate Program in Management Practice

NOTE: Masters/PhD programs require application to, and enrollment in, the doctoral program