



THE CALIFORNIA COLLEGE GUIDANCE INITIATIVE

presents

College in California: What You Need to Know!





THERE ARE FOUR TYPES OF HIGHER EDUCATION SYSTEMS IN CALIFORNIA

1. California Community Colleges
2. California State Universities (CSUs)
3. University of California (UCs)
4. Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities (AICCU)

Community Colleges

Largest system of higher education in the world

- 112 campuses; more than 1.2 million students
- Programs offering associate degrees
- Vocational programs offering certificates and/or diplomas
- Transfer programs allowing students to complete general education requirements to be able to transfer to 4-year colleges and universities
- Classes offered online
- Most affordable system of education in California





California State University



Largest 4-year university system in the country!

- 23 campuses
- Offers more than 1,800 bachelor's and master's degree programs in 357 subject areas
- Doctorate degrees offered with UC and private institutions in California
- Some degree programs and classes offered online
- California Community College transfer students are given priority admission
- Must meet "a-g" requirements to apply
- Local admission guarantee for students who meet admissions requirements at some campuses

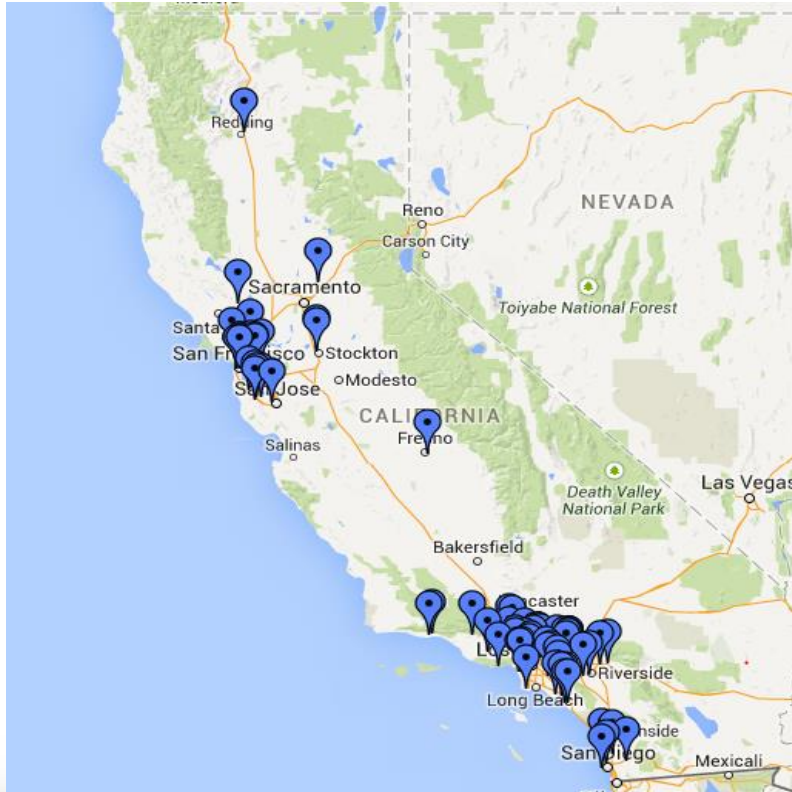
► University of California

Public university known for research

- 10 campuses (UCSF only offers graduate and professional degrees)
- 150 fields of study
- Offers Undergraduate (BA/BS), Graduate (MS/MA), Doctoral (Ph.D, Ed.D.), and Professional degrees (MD, JD, DVM, DDS)
- Must meet “a-g” requirements and have a 3.0 high school GPA to apply



► Independent (Private) Colleges



Over 70 private nonprofit institutions

- 320,000 undergraduate & graduate students
- The majority of students graduate in 4 years
- Undergraduate (BA/BS), graduate (MS/MA), doctoral (Ph.D, Ed.D.), and professional degrees (MD, JD, DDS)
- Student to Faculty ratio average: 12:1
- Over 86% of students receive financial aid

► CaliforniaColleges.edu offers college planning resources

The screenshot shows the website's navigation bar with links for Home, Career Planning, High School Planning, and College Planning. Below the navigation bar, there are links for Prepare for College, Test Prep, Explore Schools, Explore Programs and Majors, and Applications. The main content area is titled "College Planning" and features several resource boxes:

- Admissions**: A section with a description of admission requirements and links to California Community Colleges, California State University (CSU), University of California (UC), and California Independent Colleges.
- Prepare for College**: A section with a description of choosing the right courses and a link to Prepare for College.
- Test Prep**: A section with a description of free test prep courses and a link to Test Prep.
- Explore Postsecondary Schools**: A section with a description of finding colleges and universities and a link to Explore Postsecondary Schools.
- Explore Programs and Majors**: A section with a description of finding programs and a link to Explore Programs and Majors.
- Applications**: A section with a description of applying online and a link to Applications.

Learn about applying to college

Prepare for mandatory tests

Find schools for you

Discover things to study in college

Apply to college

► Find Colleges and Programs/Majors




Custom Search. Search by school type and location.

Quick Search. Search by school names.

School Exploration Tools. Search based on student preferences, compare schools, find schools by region.

Browse Schools. Search by type (i.e. CSU, UC, etc.)

EXPLORE PROGRAMS AND MAJORS. Search programs and majors by name or by career cluster theme.

Explore Schools   

Search for Colleges

Custom Search
Broaden or narrow your choices for school type and location to view schools that match both search criteria.

School type:

Location:

[View Matching Schools](#)

Quick Search
Find school names that contain all your keywords.

School name or keyword:

(Example: Type "Brown" to search for all schools containing "Brown" in their name)

[Search](#)

School Exploration Tools









School Finder— Search for schools that match your needs from a comprehensive list of school characteristics.

College Matching Assistant— Quick search for schools using common items such as size, location and majors.

Compare Schools— Compare schools side-by-side to see how they stack up.

Distance Search— Find the campus closest to any zip code.

Browse Schools
Choose how you'd like to browse

 California State University	 California Community Colleges
 California 2-year Institutions	 California 4-year Institutions
 California Graduate Schools	 University of California (UC)
 California Independent Colleges	 Your Saved Schools

Explore Programs and Majors

Search for Programs and Majors

Search for: [GO](#)

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Browse Programs and Majors

- Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources
- Architecture and Construction
- Arts, Audio-Video Technology and Communications
- Business, Management and Administration
- Education and Training
- Finance
- Government and Public Administration
- Health Science
- Hospitality and Tourism
- Human Services
- Information Technology
- Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security
- Manufacturing
- Marketing
- Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics
- Transportation, Distribution and Logistics

For Educators

Use *free* resources from CCGI Solutions in your classroom!

Video: [College Searches and Saved Colleges](#)

Video: [Saved Programs and Majors](#)

Handout: [Differences between College Degrees](#)

Handout: [College Guide Mobile Application](#)

To access Solutions, follow these steps:

- Go to CaliforniaColleges.edu
- Click on Educators
- Scroll down to Other Resources and click on CCGI Solutions



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