

## UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SYSTEM

UC APPLICATIONS CAN BE MAILED BETWEEN  
NOVEMBER 1 – 30 ([www.ucop.edu/pathways](http://www.ucop.edu/pathways)) \$60 application fee per school (as of 9/08)

1. Requires only one application.
2. Requires personal statements with your application.
3. Requires only a final transcript in June.
4. The SAT Reasoning or ACT test and two SAT Subject tests are required.
5. Will accept SAT testing results up to and including the December test date.
6. Will take your highest score at one SAT Reasoning sitting (one test date).
7. Your application essay is very important.
8. You may apply to as many U.C. campuses as you wish.
9. Remember to include the proper fees for the number of schools that you choose.
10. U.C. schools will send out notification starting March 1.

## CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

CALIFORNIA STATE APPLICATIONS CAN BE MAILED OCTOBER 1 to NOVEMBER 30  
([www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu)) - \$60 application fee per school (as of 9-08)

1. Requires one application for EACH campus.
2. Does NOT require an essay.
3. Requires only the SAT Reasoning test or ACT.
4. Does not require counselor and teacher recommendations.
5. Will take your highest score at one sitting (one test date).

## FINANCIAL AID

1. **ALL STUDENTS SHOULD FILE A FAFSA, FINANCIAL AID IS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS.**
2. You will receive your **FAFSA** worksheet in December.
3. Fill out the **FAFSA online** after January 1, 2010, and before March 2, 2010.
4. To receive a Cal Grant you must file the **FAFSA** and a **GPA VERIFICATION FORM**.
5. The **GPA Verification** will be provided for you by Saint Joseph High School.

## PRIVATE SCHOOLS

1. Contact the school for an application and follow its guidelines for admission.

## GENERAL

1. **CHECK BOTH UC AND CAL STATE ELIGIBILITY CHARTS (they are in your handbook) BEFORE YOU FILE AN APPLICATION!**
2. Use the Common Application when available. For a list of schools visit [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)
3. Make copies of all college and scholarship and financial aid applications to keep for yourself.
4. Get a **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING** for forms mailed to the college or financial aid groups.
5. Be sure to provide an addressed stamped envelope and a completed recommendation form to the teacher writing a letter of recommendation for you and to your College Counselor when needing a mid-year report completed.