



Preparing for UC Riverside

Use this step-by-step checklist to keep on task as you progress through the admission and arrival process. Begin the Form I-20 application process as soon as possible, even before you SIR to UCR.

STEP 1

Submit your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR)

All students who have been offered admission, and plan on attending UC Riverside, must submit the Statement of Intent to Register (SIR).



SIR via your MyUCR account by:
May 1 - Freshman SIR Deadline
June 1 - Transfer SIR Deadline

STEP 2

Submit your Statement of Legal Residence

Once you submit your SIR to UCR, you will be required to submit your Statement of Legal Residence for tuition purposes. It will ensure that you are assessed the appropriate fees based on your residency status. Visit your MyUCR account and look for the Alert "Submit your Statement of Legal Residence by May 15."



Follow the instructions and submit the form by *May 15*.

STEP 3

Submit your I-20 Application

International students who have been offered admission to UC Riverside, who require a student visa to study in the United States, must obtain a **I-20 Form** (Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant, F-1 Student Status).



You can obtain your I-20 application on your MyUCR account. Download and complete the I-20 application and submit to the address listed on the form.

*If your sponsor requires you to have a J visa to study at UCR, please complete the **Form I-20 Form Application** and indicate that you need a J-1 visa. Please include an official letter from your sponsor indicating the need for the J visa and the amount of support that you are receiving when you submit your **I-20 Form Application**.

All I-20 paperwork is due by *July 1*.

STEP 4

Apply for Housing

Housing assignments are made on a first-come, first-serve basis. We recommend that you apply for on-campus housing immediately after submitting your SIR to UCR.



April 1 - The Residence Hall contract will be available for the Fall quarter. Go to your MyUCR account and look for the Announcement "Housing Contracts are AVAILABLE NOW" and follow the links to the housing application. Use your Student ID number to complete a contract for the Residence Halls.

May 10 - The Housing Contract and First Payment are due.

To accommodate mandatory orientation sessions for new international students, early move-in is available beginning mid September for all International students who submit a Residence Hall Contract and first payment for the academic year. There is an additional charge for each day you stay prior to the regular move-in date. You will need your UCR NetID and password to gain access to the contract. **Express your interest in an early move-in when prompted in your Residence Hall contract.**

If you have questions, visit the UCR Housing website, or contact UCR Housing email: housinginfo@ucr.edu or call (951) 827-6350.

STEP 5

Submit All Final Documents and Update Course Work



July 1 - Deadline to submit all final official transcripts for courses completed through **Spring term**.

July 15 - Deadline to submit all final test scores and other final documents. Please view your **My Documents** and **My Test Scores** tab in your MyUCR account to see what official documents and text scores we have received for you.

Be advised that failure to meet this deadline will result in your admission being cancelled.



International Student Dates and Deadlines

(951) 827-3411 / internationalinfo@ucr.edu / international.ucr.edu

**STEP
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Placement and Advisory Exams

All students who will enter the University of California as freshmen must demonstrate their command of the English language by fulfilling the Entry-Level Writing Requirement (ELWR). The Analytical Writing Placement Exam (AWPE) is used to satisfy the University of California Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) and to place first year students into an appropriate English composition course.

Incoming international students will have the opportunity to take the Analytic Writing Placement Exam (AWPE) and Mathematics Advisory Exam (MAE) during **International Student Orientation week** in mid-September. However, if you reside in California, plan to take the exam held statewide in **May**.

Visit the [Academic Resource Center online](#) for additional information on the Placement and Advisory Exams. Registration information for the Orientation Week exams will be sent to your UCR email account when available.

**STEP
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Attend the International Student Orientation

All incoming international students are **required to attend the International Student Orientation** during International Student Orientation Week in mid-September. This mandatory orientation will provide students with information regarding intercultural adjustment, maintaining immigration status, and class registration procedures.

It is recommended that you register to attend Highlander Orientation (freshmen) or Highlander Orientation for Transfer students if you will be in the United States during July in order to familiarize yourself with the campus and gather important information.

Orientation details, including registration information, and additional pre-departure information will be sent to you from the International Student & Scholar Office (ISSO) via email.

**STEP
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Don't Forget to Pay Your Fees

Tuition and fee payments may be made online via RWeb.ucr.edu or in person at UCR's Main Cashier's Office, located in the Student Services Building. International students are waived late fee charges for their **FIRST** quarter only. You must make sure to pay all fees by the **end of the 3rd week** of classes or your courses will be dropped.

In all future quarters, make sure to pay your fees by the deadline posted on the UCR calendar.

**STEP
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Medical Insurance and Immunizations

All students are **required to have medical insurance** and are automatically enrolled in the campus Undergraduate Student Health Insurance Plan (USHIP). If you have comparable health insurance, you may request exemption from participation in USHIP by completing and submitting the Health Insurance Waiver Form no later than **July 17**. The Waiver form will be available in early June on the [Campus Health Center Website](#).

Immunizations - If you are 18 years old or younger, on the first day of the fall quarter, you will need to complete and submit the Health Requirements form to the Campus Health Center no later than **July 17**. You can get the form at the Campus Health website beginning in early May. If you will be 19 or older at the start of the fall quarter, you do **NOT** need to complete this step.

> View the Academic Calendar
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