



Private & Independent Colleges



Over 600 private colleges and universities use the Common Application for admissions to their school. Before completing the application, be sure to check if the school you are applying to uses the common application.

- [Schools that accept the Common Application](#)
- [Learn more about the Common Application](#)
- [Apply now with the Common Application](#)

Interested in transferring out of state? Check if your transfer university participates in WUE.

- What is WUE?
 - The Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) is an agreement among WICHE's 16 members, through which 160+ participating public colleges and universities provide steep nonresident tuition savings for Western students.
 - Through WUE, eligible students can choose from hundreds of undergraduate programs outside their home state, and pay no more than 150 percent of that institution's resident tuition rate.
 - [Learn more about WUE](#)
 - [Check if your transfer university and program participate](#)
 - [WUE FAQ](#)

Transfer Application Deadlines

- **Fall:** Applications typically open on August 1st and close on January 1st.
- **Spring:** Applications are typically due between October 1st and December 1st
- **Always check your individual school's posted application guidelines.**
 - Application deadlines for independent schools can vary significantly from one institution to another. It is important to visit the website of your prospective transfer school to stay informed about their specific timelines and to determine whether they utilize the Common App or their own application platform for submissions.

Transfer Timeline

- **August 1 - January 1:** Apply for CSU admission
- **October 1:** Apply for [FAFSA](#) / [CADAA](#) for the next academic year and activate your [Webgrants4Students](#) account
- **March 1:** Check e-mail for important university notifications
- **First day of spring term through April 1:** Apply for RCC's graduation ceremony on [MyPortal](#)
- **March 2:** FAFSA / CADAA priority filing deadline for Cal Grant eligibility
- **April 3:** Attend RCC's Transfer Fair
- **May 17:** Attend RCC's Transfer Recognition Ceremony

What do I need to fill out the application?

- Your unofficial transcripts and educational coursework from all schools attended
- Test scores and dates from any standardized tests
- Employment information, extracurricular activities, and achievements

How to apply

- [Create an account](#)
 - Provide name and contact information
 - Use a current email that you check often
 - Choose a username and password
 - Review the terms and conditions
- Complete your extended profile. Fill out:
 - Your age
 - College credits you will have earned when you enroll at the college you're applying to
 - The degree status you will have earned
 - Your degree for the program you're applying to
- Add programs
 - Add the programs to which you will apply. You can filter your search based on different criteria
 - Program availability
 - State
 - College
 - Start term
 - Deadline
 - Application fee
 - County
 - You can select as many or as few criteria as makes sense to you.
- Engage Supporters
 - In addition to your application, many colleges ask for additional documents to be submitted by recommenders on your behalf.

- There are four types of recommenders you can invite:
 - Personal
 - Professional
 - Academic
 - High School Official
- To invite recommenders:
 - Select the type of recommender you'll be requesting
 - Enter the recommender's name, email address, and desired due date for the recommendation
 - Provide a personal message for your recommender
 - Choose whether to waive your right to access this recommendation in the future and check the affirmation statements
- When you're ready, check "Save this Recommendation Request"
- Transcript Collection
 - Submit your college coursework, if required. You can see programs' transcript requirements in the Academic History section under Colleges Attended or College Coursework.
 - To send your RCC transcripts, you can request them on your MyPortal under "Academic Profile"
- Application Submission
 - Review all campuses and majors that you're applying to
 - This page will show whether or not you received the Application Fee Waiver
- After you apply
 - Universities will contact you via email with further instructions
 - **Apply for your degree** during your last semester at RCC

Meet Representatives

- Arizona State
 - Representative: Anna Hummel, Transfer Coordinator
 - Phone: (480)-433-7005
 - Website: transfer.asu.edu
- Azusa Pacific University
 - Admissions
 - Main Campus Location: 901 E. Alostia Ave. Azusa, CA 91702
 - (626) 815-6000
 - (626) 812-3016
 - admissions@apu.edu
 - Representative: Alyssa Anchondo, Program Representative
 - 375 W. Hospitality Lane, San Bernardino, CA 92408
 - P: (626)-857-2263
 - F: (909) 888-8739
- USC

- Admissions
 - 3607 Trousdale Pkwy, Los Angeles, CA 90089- 0911
 - Phone: (213)-740-1111
- Cal Baptist University
 - Admissions
 - 8432 Magnolia Ave, Riverside, CA 92504
 - Representative: Rachel Ligtenberg
 - rlichtenber@calbaptist.edu
 - 951-343-4789
- La Sierra University
 - Admissions
 - 4500 Riverwalk Parkway, Riverside CA 92505
 - 1(800)-874-5587
 - info@lasierra.edu
 - Representative: Santiago Garcia, Transfer Admissions Counselor
 - sgarcia@lasierra.edu
 - Phone: (951)-785-2892
 - Make an appointment directly: calendly.com/lasierra-sgarcia
- Loma Linda University
 - Admissions
 - Loma Linda, CA 92350
 - (909)-558-1000
 - ask@llu.edu
- Southern California University of Health Science
 - Admissions
 - 16200 Amber Valley Dr., Whittier, CA 90604
 - (562)-947-8755
- University of Redlands
 - Admissions
 - 1200 East Colton Ave, P.O. Box 3080, Redlands, CA 92373
 - Phone: 909-748-8155
- University of San Diego
 - Admissions
 - Manchester Hall 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego, CA 92110
 - Phone: (800)-248-4873 or (619)-260-4506
 - Fax: (619) 260-6836
 - admissions@sandiego.edu
 - Representative: Dylan Goodwill, Assistant Director
 - Phone: (213)740-1517
 - Email: dylan.goodwill@usc.edu
 - Representative: Kristi Culpepper, Co-Chair Diversity and Inclusion Committee
 - Phone: (213)-740-8885
 - Email: culpeppe@marshall.usc.ed

Additional Resources

- [Common App walkthrough for transfer students](#)
- [Common App Fee Waiver](#)
- [Common App FAQs](#)