

FREE PRINTABLE FOR CALIFORNIA STUDENTS, FALL 2027 ENTRY

Junior and Senior Year College Application Checklist for California Students

Junior year (spring and summer)

- ☐ Check every A to G area and plan senior courses to finish anything missing (UC A to G subject requirement).
- ☐ Estimate your UC and CSU GPA from 10th and 11th grade grades (free calculator at blackburnmentoring.com).
- ☐ Build a first list of UC and CSU campuses and majors, including local CSU campuses and majors that are not impacted.
- ☐ Start an activities list: jobs, family responsibilities, activities and awards, with hours per week.
- ☐ Read the eight UC personal insight questions and note real examples for four of them (answers must be your own words).

Senior year, fall 2026

- ☐ **August 1** UC application opens for fall 2027. Create the account and enter courses and grades from your transcript.
- ☐ **September** Draft personal insight answers; confirm the counselor's process and the Cal Grant GPA Verification Form.
- ☐ **October 1** UC and Cal State Apply filing periods open. FAFSA and California Dream Act Application open.
- ☐ **October** Check impactation and supplemental criteria for each CSU campus and major. Look into fee waivers if needed.
- ☐ **Mid November** Submit both applications early and save confirmations.
- ☐ **November 30** Deadline posted for fall 2027 UC and Cal State Apply first year applications.

Senior year, winter and spring 2027

- ☐ **Dec to Feb** Set up each campus portal, answer requests and keep grades steady: offers are conditional on finishing senior year.
- ☐ **March 2** Deadline for the FAFSA or California Dream Act Application and the Cal Grant GPA Verification Form.
- ☐ **March** UC decisions arrive March 1 to 31 (some campuses earlier). CSU campuses send their own decisions.
- ☐ **May 1** UC Statement of Intent to Register deadline. Check each CSU offer for its own steps.
- ☐ **July 1** Final official transcripts due to the UC campus you will attend. July 15: official AP and IB results.

Sources: University of California dates and deadlines and personal insight questions pages (admission.universityofcalifornia.edu); Cal State Apply (calstate.edu/apply). Full guide: blackburnmentoring.com/california-senior-year-checklist