Discover your path at UC Santa Barbara

The UCSB Graduate Division offers master's degree and Ph.D. programs in diverse disciplines, with top programs in engineering, the sciences, social sciences, humanities, education, and the arts. Many of our graduate programs are inherently interdisciplinary, such as Materials Science, Technology Management, Global and International Studies, Media Arts and Technology, Religious Studies, and Environmental Studies and Management.

A Message from the Dean

At UC Santa Barbara, we are committed to providing our graduate students with a world-class education and with the opportunities, resources, and support for career attainment in academia, industry, government, non-profits, or the arts.

Our goal is to cultivate the individual strengths and talents of each student and welcome them as partners in our research and teaching mission. We are a highly interdisciplinary campus and provide many opportunities for discussion, collaboration, and discovery across disciplines. We recognize the critical role of diversity in these conversations; it is only by bringing together scholars of varied backgrounds, experiences, and perspectives that we realize our potential for excellence and innovation.

If you are looking to apply to one of our over 50 graduate degree programs, I invite you to explore how UC Santa Barbara can help you realize your full potential.

Dr. Carol Genetti

Anne and Michael Towbes Graduate Dean
UC Santa Barbara Graduate Division
At UC Santa Barbara, we aim to inspire scholarly ambition, creativity, and discoveries with wide-ranging impacts across disciplines and industries.

A dynamic research environment

An inspiring location

Located on 1,000 acres along the California coast, our campus is 100 miles northwest of Los Angeles, nestled between the Santa Ynez Mountains and the Pacific Ocean.

Distinguished faculty

Our faculty includes six Nobel Prize winners, elected members of national and international academies and societies, winners of Guggenheim and Fulbright fellowships, and recipients of other highly acclaimed awards.
An elite research university

A world-class education

UCSB is one of only 62 research-intensive institutions elected to membership in the prestigious Association of American Universities. The 2018 U.S. News & World Report ranked our graduate programs among the top 10 in the nation.

National research centers

We host 12 National Research Centers, including the Kavli Institute for Theoretical Physics; National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis; the Southern California Earthquake Center; the UCSB Center for Spatial Studies, an affiliate of the National Center for Geographic Information and Analysis; and the California Nanosystems Institute. Eight of these centers are supported by the National Science Foundation.

Cutting-edge scholarship

UCSB is home to groundbreaking research groups and centers, like Microsoft Station Q, a research group working on topological quantum computing. The Koegel Autism Center at the Gevirtz Graduate School of Education has been recognized as one of the top 10 state-of-the-art treatment centers for autism in the United States.
Fostering interdisciplinary opportunities

Graduate students can pursue interdisciplinary emphases in 16 different areas. Doctoral candidates can participate in year-long interdisciplinary and classroom teaching experiences through the UCSB Crossroads Program. The campus also fosters interdisciplinary research initiatives and programs at the Institute for Energy Efficiency and the Interdisciplinary Humanities Center.

Expand your research possibilities

“It was incredibly important that while pursuing a Ph.D. I would be allowed freedom to grow creatively in my interdisciplinary scholarship. Getting to know UCSB’s strong spirit of collaboration across departments assured me of my choice.”

*Xochitl Clare*
Ph.D. Student, Ecology, Evolution, and Marine Biology Researcher, Hofmann Lab

Discover your community of scholars

“Faculty and graduate students are passionate about what they study and the contributions they can make through their work. I am continually inspired by my colleagues’ ideas and projects. The privilege to be a part of this vibrant community of scholars has fed my curiosity and challenged me to pursue excellence in my work.”

*Camille Endacott*
Ph.D. Student, Communication
More than 60 UCSB scholars have received Guggenheim Fellowships, an elusive honor intended for individuals who have demonstrated exceptional capacity for productive scholarship or exceptional creative ability in the arts. Our faculty includes 34 members of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, one of the nation’s top honorary societies, among whose ranks are winners of Nobel and Pulitzer Prizes, Oscars, and Emmys.
A culture of learning and energetic discourse

From establishing the nation’s first doctoral program in Chicana/Chicano Studies to curating important national archives like the American Presidency Project, UCSB is at the forefront of discussions and discoveries that provide insights into the human condition. Our faculty, students, and alumni have made significant contributions to their chosen disciplines and to solutions to wide-ranging issues across the world.

Investing in your talents

“A professor gave me the advice to ‘do what your hands want to do.’ This deceptively simple instruction often guides my intuitive choices. During my time at UCSB, I discovered the craft of hand papermaking, which I found to be a fluid conduit to this way of working.”

Lucy Holtsnider
MFA ‘18, Art

A true academic family

“At UCSB, I have my home department and a network of people in my department who are academic family and I feel that their achievements are my success as well. My committee members and the faculty in my department often send me articles, information about events, and even drop off books in my mailbox. These gestures define the attentiveness from my academic community and are reminders of their commitment to my success.”

Janett Barragán Miranda
Ph.D. ’18, Chicana/Chicano Studies
Mentoring future leaders

Building expertise

“My group is based on lots of one-on-one discussion with the students, who take away real expertise in the field of nitrides that can be applied in a career, in industry, or academia. My students are viewed as experts in their field after graduating from UCSB, with many landing good positions in companies.”

Dr. Shuji Nakamura
Materials Professor
Research Director,
Solid State Lighting & Energy
Electronics Center
Winner of the 2014 Nobel Prize in Physics

Finding your passion

“The two most important tasks in graduate school are choosing a research field that you are truly passionate about and finding a good mentor. I am fortunate to be working in the exciting research field focusing on GaN lasers, with an excellent advisor, Dr. Shuji Nakamura.”

Charles Forman
Ph.D. ‘18, Materials
Researcher, Nakamura Group
Collaboration and innovation are essential to the pursuit of an advanced degree here at UC Santa Barbara, where we value individuality and creativity. Over 600 inventions and more than 80 startups are based on UCSB technology, with fifty percent of innovations under licensing agreement. Our campus is located in the middle of the Goleta business district populated by innovative high-tech start-ups and corporate headquarters of global enterprises like Citrix, Yardi, and Deckers.

Solving the world’s problems

James Rogers worked with his UCSB graduate school colleagues to create an ultra-thin, all-natural layer sourced from agricultural byproducts that could protect produce from water loss and oxidation. This research seeded the development of Edipeel, the first groundbreaking biotech product from Apeel Sciences, a company Rogers co-founded in 2012.

“At the core of what we’re doing at Apeel Sciences is applying fundamental science and engineering to solving problems in the world.”

James Rogers
MA ’12, Economics
Ph.D. ’14, Materials
Founder and CEO, Apeel Sciences

From pitch to product

Norah Eddy and Laura Johnson established Salty Girl Seafood in 2014 after gaining recognition through the UCSB Technology Management Program New Venture Competition. Today, their company’s sustainable seafood products are sold by major food retailers like Target and Whole Foods.

“All of us are so passionate about the oceans and marine resources. That passion translates directly into what we are building with Salty Girl.”

Norah Eddy and Laura Johnson
MESM ’14, Environmental Science and Management
Co-founders, Salty Girl Seafood
Explore your potential for success

We welcome innovators, researchers, artists, entrepreneurs, educators, leaders, and advocates from around the world and from all walks of life. Our campus provides an inclusive climate for graduate study with a strong emphasis on collaboration and engaging diverse academic perspectives.

Application requirements

• Bachelor’s degree or equivalent

• Minimum 3.0 GPA or B average equivalent in undergraduate coursework.

• Official GRE scores, with these exceptions:
  - GRE scores are not required for Art or Master of Music (Music-MM) applicants
  - GMAT scores may substitute for GRE scores for the Technology Management Program
  - MAT scores may substitute for GRE scores for the Teacher Education Program

• Official TOEFL or IELTS scores, if applicable

• Statement of purpose, statement of personal achievements/contributions, and resume or curriculum vitae

• Three letters of recommendation

• Official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended

• Any additional departmental requirements
Masters/PhD programs require application to, and enrollment in, the doctoral program.

The Graduate Admissions and Outreach unit manages the central processing of all graduate admission applications and verifies that all applicants have met university admissions requirements. We work closely with prospective students and departments to assist with the online application, general admission procedures, and policies.

For specific requirements, please contact your chosen department:
www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/departments
Most of our doctoral students receive a multi-year funding package upon recruitment. This typically consists of a combination of fellowship support and employment as a teaching assistant or graduate student researcher. These packages guarantee payment of both in-state and non-resident tuition, health insurance, and the majority of fees, as well as a stipend or salary for living expenses.

UCSB Fellowships

The Graduate Division provides fellowships to recruit outstanding graduate degree candidates. Fellowships may cover tuition and fees, health insurance, non-resident supplemental tuition (NRST), and provide stipends. Students are nominated by their departments during the application process.

Extramural Fellowships

Graduate applicants and current graduate students may apply for fellowships from a number of campus-external agencies, such as the National Science Foundation and the Ford Foundation. These provide a wide range of funding opportunities. The Graduate Student Resource Center (GSRC) provides resources for students applying to these programs. The process of applying is valuable professional training and opens the door to more opportunities for funding.

International Doctoral Recruitment Fellowship

The International Doctoral Recruitment Fellowship (IDRF) is automatically awarded to all new international doctoral students. It pays all NRST charged to international doctoral students after year 1 (when this cost is typically covered by other fellowships) until the student advances to candidacy (at which point, NRST is not charged for three years). Students must maintain good academic standing to receive this award.

For more information, please visit: www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/financial
Academic appointments

Graduate student academic employment positions provide the single largest source of UC Santa Barbara graduate student support and are an important aspect of graduate training under faculty guidance.

Applicants should direct queries about teaching assistantships and graduate student researcher opportunities to their chosen graduate degree program. These positions may all be eligible for fee remission depending on hours worked.

Other campus employment opportunities

In addition to TA or research appointments in academic departments, there are many other campus employment options for current graduate students.

Recruit
recruit.ap.ucsb.edu

Applicants can search for lecturer, post-doc, research scientist, and other on-campus jobs that generally require a master’s degree or PhD on Recruit, the UCSB academic personnel recruitment site.

UCSB Human Resources Job Postings
www.hr.ucsb.edu/employment

Search for on-campus staff positions (both full-time and part-time) on the UCSB Human Resources Job Posting site. For more information, email HRweb@hr.ucsb.edu or call (805) 893-3482.

Handshake
www.career.sa.ucsb.edu/students/handshake

Managed by UCSB Career Services counselors and staff, Handshake is the official site for all students searching for jobs, internships, and on-campus interviews. In addition, it serves as a gateway to free subscription services for students with a current UCSB NetID and recent alumni.

UCSB GradPost Career & Tools Section
www.gradpost.ucsb.edu/career-tools

Check the UCSB GradPost for listings of various on-campus and off-campus job opportunities specifically targeted to graduate students, like open calls for TAs from departments.
Federal Financial Aid

Financial aid for graduate students at UCSB is available from the federal government for students who are U.S. citizens and eligible non-citizens. For graduate students, these awards are limited to loans and work study. Students wishing to be considered for such support must file their FAFSA each year by March 2 for the upcoming academic year.

For more information about loans, work-study, and other financial aid, visit the UCSB Financial Aid website: www.finaid.ucsb.edu.

Establishing California Residency for Tuition Purposes

Every entering student is classified as a resident or non-resident of California for tuition purposes. U.S. citizens and permanent residents who have come to UC Santa Barbara from outside the state of California should establish California residency as soon as possible through the Office of the Registrar. If the appropriate steps have been taken, students should obtain California residency by the beginning of their second year.

For more information on establishing California residency for tuition purposes, please contact the UCSB Office of the Registrar’s Campus Residency Deputy at residency@sa.ucsb.edu or call (805) 893-3033.

Registration Fees

View a summary of basic resident and non-resident graduate school tuition fees and fee credits (like graduate student fee remission for academic appointees, and non-resident supplemental tuition reduction) on the Office of the Registrar’s site: registrar.sa.ucsb.edu.
Cost of attendance calculator


For more information on specific support packages offered at UC Santa Barbara, please contact your chosen department.

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Anthropology
www.anth.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-2516
gradadmissions@anth.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA, MA/PhD

The Department of Anthropology at UCSB offers students a unique course of study and research directed towards the understanding of human nature, culture and biology, past and present. There are three specializations in the M.A./Ph.D. program: Archaeology, Sociocultural Anthropology, and Integrative Anthropological Sciences (IAS).

Art
www.arts.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-8710
gd@arts.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MFA

This two-year, theory-based program prepares students for professional careers as practicing artists and educators. Students concentrate on studio and academic work in the areas of Electronic and Digital Art and Theory; Painting and Drawing; Print and Book Arts; Photography; Sculpture and New Forms, as well as Theory and Criticism.

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
www.bmse.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-3011
BMSE-gradasst@lifesci.ucsb.edu
Degrees: PhD

This program provides Ph.D. training and education at the interface between the biological and physical sciences. The program offers an interdisciplinary Ph.D. emphasis in Bioengineering and Biomaterials (students will elect an emphasis in either Biochemistry & Molecular Biology or Biophysics & Bioengineering).

Chemistry and Biochemistry
www.chem.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-5675
gradprog@chem.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA/PhD, MS/PhD, PhD

The program provides opportunities for graduate research at the cutting edge of chemical science. The department features high-caliber faculty and state-of-the-art facilities in all areas of chemistry, including traditional sub-disciplines (biochemistry, inorganic, materials, organic, physical, and theoretical). Interdisciplinary collaboration is encouraged.

Chemistry and Teacher Education Joint Degree Program
www.chem.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-5675
gradprog@chem.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA/SST Credentials, MA/SST Credentials/MEd

The two-year joint MA (with a Chemical Education Emphasis) and Single Subject (SST, Secondary) California State Teaching Credential program builds chemistry content knowledge and provide the academic and practical skills needed for a teaching career through coursework, teaching experience, and participation in outreach.

Chicana and Chicano Studies
www.chicst.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-5269
mvillanueva@chicst.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA/PhD

This M.A./Ph.D program trains scholars as interdisciplinary researchers equipped to work from a broad range of perspectives, approaches, and methodologies. The curriculum examines the experiences of Chicana and Chicano communities through subfields that encompass history and narrativity, cultural production, and social processes.

Chemical Engineering
www.chemengr.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-8671
chegrads@engineering.ucsb.edu
Degrees: PhD

Areas of research specialization in this PhD program include biomaterials and bioengineering; energy, catalysis, and reaction engineering; complex fluids and polymers; electronic and optical materials; fluids and transport phenomena; molecular thermodynamics and simulation; process systems; and surfaces and interfacial phenomena.

Communication
www.comm.ucsb.edu/graduate
(805) 893-3046
commgradadmissions@ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA/PhD, PhD

This department offers emphases in three primary areas: interpersonal communication, media communication, and organizational communication. Students will receive essential preparation in theory construction, analysis, and research methodologies for conducting original scholarship in communication.
For application requirements and deadlines, please refer to the program’s website. Many programs offer optional interdisciplinary emphases in a focused area of study in addition to the existing degree program. For more information, visit the General Catalog’s Graduate Major Directory. Certificate programs are available in College and University Teaching and Management Practice.

**Comparative Literature**
www.complit.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-2131
cflores@ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA/PhD, PhD

Students pursue advanced study of world literatures within and beyond national and linguistic borders; develop knowledge of literary theory as well as interdisciplinary methodologies; achieve proficiency in two languages (in addition to their native language); and prepare to become teachers and scholars in comparative, world literature, English, Feminist Studies, Ethnic, or Global Studies.

**Computer Science**
www.cs.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-4322
gradhelp@cs.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MS, PhD

The graduate program in Computer Science is designed to prepare the future leaders of this exciting and dynamic discipline. Course offerings reflect emphases in computing foundations, systems, and applications. Graduate students have access to a variety of specialized research facilities and a wealth of “hands-on” research opportunities.

**Counseling, Clinical & School Psychology**
www.education.ucsb.edu/ccsp
(805) 893-3375
csspapp@education.ucsb.edu
Degrees: PhD, PPS

The Department of Counseling, Clinical, and School Psychology (CCSP) prepares graduates for research/academic careers, with a particular focus on strengths-based approaches to working with vulnerable populations. The CCSP program uses a scientist-practitioner model and is fully accredited by the American Psychological Association.

**Classics**
www.classics.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-3556
gd-classics@classics.ucsb.edu
Degrees: PhD

The Department of Classics offers a PhD program that combines in-depth study of ancient Greek and Latin languages, literature, history, and culture, together with research methods and professional training. Emphases are offered in Ancient History and Literature and Theory.

**Dynamical Neuroscience**
www.dyns.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-3636
gradinfo@dyns.ucsb.edu
Degrees: PhD

This interdepartmental graduate program utilizes computational methods to understand brain-mind interactions across all levels of architecture, from single neurons to complex networks, focusing on the roles of these levels in an organism’s behavior. Interdisciplinary research includes cognitive psychology, neuroimaging, biology, physics, computer science, and engineering.

**Earth Science**
www.geol.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-3329
grad@geol.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MS, PhD

An array of specializations are available, including biogeology, geochemistry, geochronology, geomorphology, geophysics, marine geophysics, paleo-climatology, paleo-oceanography, paleobiology, petrology, Quaternary geology, sedimentology and stratigraphy, seismoacoustics, seismotectonics, structural geology/crustal evolution, and tectonics.

**East Asian Languages and Cultural Studies**
www.eastasian.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-5478
gd-east@eastasian.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA (Asian Studies), PhD

Graduate students study the civilizations of China, Japan, and Korea in all their richness and diversity. Explore East Asia’s recent and increasingly vital role on the world scene and the complex and profound features of its history. The program focuses on humanistic traditions and emphasizing literature, history, religion, society, and cultural studies.

**Ecology, Evolution & Marine Biology**
www.eemb.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-2979
eemb-gradasst@lifesci.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA, MA/PhD, PhD

Applicants must be accepted by a major professor who agrees to supervise their graduate training and research. Applicants are encouraged to contact individual faculty in the program whose research interests coincide with their own and to list potential advisors on their application.
Economics
www.econ.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-2205
grad@econ.ucsb.edu
Degrees: PhD/MA, PhD

Students complete coursework in Microeconomics, Macroeconomics and Econometrics; three preliminary qualifying examinations; and two electives (Econometrics, Environmental/Natural Resource Economics, Experimental/Behavioral Economics, Labor Economics, Macroeconomic Theory & Policy, Microeconomics, and Public Economics).

Education
www.education.ucsb.edu/education
(805) 893-4515
progoffice@education.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA, MA/PhD, PhD

Students prepare for positions in universities, school districts, agencies, and the private sector through seven research focus areas: Culture/Development; Language/Literacy; Learning, Culture, and Technology Studies; Policy, Leadership and Research Methods; Science/Mathematics Education; Special Education, Disability/Risk Studies; and Teacher Education and Professional Development.

Education: Teacher Education Program
www.education.ucsb.edu/tep
(805) 893-2084
tepapp@education.ucsb.edu
Degrees: M.Ed.; ESC, MST, SST Credentials

This program’s one-year, full-time Credential/Master’s program provides knowledge and experience (academic and practical) needed to begin a teaching career. Optional preparation for bilingual education (with the BCLAD credential completed through the CTEL exam) is available.

Electrical & Computer Engineering
www.ece.ucsb.edu/academics/grad/apply
(805) 893-3114
grad-apply@ece.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MS, MS/PhD, PhD

The program encompasses diverse areas like computers and digital systems, control, communications, electronics, signal processing, electromagnetics, electro-optics, physics of electronic devices, and device fabrication. Graduate studies are offered in three major areas of specialization: Computer Engineering (CE); Communications, Control and Signal Processing (CCSP); and Electronic & Photonics (EP).

English
www.english.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-2639
rramos@hfa.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA/PhD, PhD

The program offers a balanced emphasis on scholarship, criticism, and theory in Medieval, Renaissance, eighteenth-century studies, American literature, literary theory, cultural criticism, culture of information, interdisciplinary studies, and digital humanities. Graduate students explore their potential as interpreters, scholars, and teachers.

Environmental Science & Management
www.bren.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-4886
admissions@bren.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MESM, PhD

The Bren School plays a leading role in researching, identifying and solving environmental problems, and training research scientists and environmental management professionals. The curriculum includes interdisciplinary coursework in natural science, social science, and management emphasizing quantitative and analytical approaches to environmental challenges.

Feminist Studies
www.femst.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-4330
ccarlos@femst.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA/Ph.D., Ph.D.

Through race and nation; genders and sexualities, and productive and reproductive labors, the department focuses on how relations of gender—intersecting with race, class, ethnicity, sexuality, nation, ability, and other axes of difference—are embedded in society, politics, and culture.

Film and Media Studies
www.filmandmedia.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-8535
grad@filmandmedia.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA/PhD, PhD

This program emphasizes the study of film and media history, theory, analysis, aesthetics, and criticism from a humanistic perspective, within the context of global media culture. Students are encouraged to incorporate intensive, site-specific study as part of their dissertation research.
**Geography**
www.geog.ucsb.edu/graduates  
(805) 893-4944  
grad_assistant@geog.ucsb.edu  
Degrees: MA, MA/PhD, PhD

The department prepares students for careers in science and technology, government, teaching, and business; theoretical and applied work in geography; and conducting original research. Areas of research specialization include Earth system science; Human geography; and Modeling, measurement, and computation.

**Geography, Joint Program with SDSU**
www.geog.ucsb.edu/graduates  
(805) 893-4944  
grad_assistant@geog.ucsb.edu  
Degrees: PhD

The joint PhD program with San Diego State University brings together two outstanding departments. Students conduct a majority of their studies at SDSU but are required to attend UCSB for one year to work more directly with UCSB faculty advisors and enroll in courses at UCSB. Applicants must be accepted by both UCSB and SDSU.

**Global Studies**
www.global.ucsb.edu  
(805) 893-4668  
gd-global@global.ucsb.edu  
Degrees: MA, PhD

The department combines social sciences and the humanities to study historical and contemporary phenomena of globalization in all its aspects. Programs are built around three related areas of specialization: Global Political Economy, Development/Environment; Global Culture, Ideology, and Religion; Governance, Human Rights, and Civil Society.

**Hispanic Languages and Literatures**
www.spanport.ucsb.edu  
(805) 893-2131  
cflores@ucsb.edu  
Degrees: MA/PhD, PhD

This doctoral program offers specializations in Spanish and Latin American Literature, Portuguese and Brazilian Literature, and Iberian Linguistics. Research spans Peninsular and Latin American culture and literature, Portuguese and Brazilian Studies, US Latino studies, translation studies, drama, critical theory, new media studies, popular culture, applied linguistics, and language pedagogy.

**History**
www.history.ucsb.edu  
(805) 893-2224  
rparisse@hfa.ucsb.edu  
Degrees: MA/PhD, PhD

This doctoral program provides training in Africa/Ancient History, Cold War Studies/International History, Comparative Gender, Comparative Race/Ethnicity, Early Modern Europe, East Asia, Public Policy, Science History, Latin America, Medieval Studies, Middle East, Modern Europe, Public History, United States, and World History.

**History, Joint Program with CSUS**
www.history.ucsb.edu  
(805) 893-2224  
rparisse@hfa.ucsb.edu  
Degrees: PhD

The joint Ph.D. Program in Public Historical Studies combines the faculty and resources of UCSB and California State University, Sacramento, for a program unique in the nation. The program offers broad training in history and professionally focused experience to prepare scholars to excel in a wide variety of careers.

**History of Art and Architecture**
www.arthistory.ucsb.edu  
(805) 893-2454  
gd-arthist@arthistory.ucsb.edu  
Degrees: MA/PhD, PhD

Degrees are offered in all periods and media from Ancient to Contemporary, including African, Chinese, Islamic, Japanese, and Latin American art, early-modern and modern/contemporary art, and architecture and urban history. Faculty offer expertise in museum history, theory, and practice and field research, including archaeological field work.

**Latin American and Iberian Studies**
www.lais.ucsb.edu  
(805) 893-2131  
cflores@ucsb.edu  
Degrees: MA

The broad, interdisciplinary nature of the Latin American and Iberian Studies (LAIS) MA program allows students a great deal of scope to define and develop their scholarly interests. Students may study abroad for one or more quarters in Spain, Portugal, Latin American, and the Caribbean.
Linguistics
www.linguistics.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-7490
gradadvisor@linguistics.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA/PhD, PhD

This program focuses on the discovery of theoretically significant explanations for linguistic structures appearing in the world’s languages, and covers all core areas with training and coursework in functional and typological theory, discourse, corpus linguistics, language/cognition, documentation/revitalization, and sociocultural linguistics.

Marine Science
igpms.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-2979
marsci-gradasst@lifesci.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MS, PhD

This program encompasses biology, geology, chemistry, physics, and engineering, with 43 marine faculty located in nine departments. Emphasizing the ocean as an integrated system, research areas include biological, chemical, and physical oceanography; marine geology/geophysics; marine biology; paleoceanography; marine optics/remote sensing; ocean engineering; and marine policy.

Materials
www.materials.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-4601
mtrl-application@engineering.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MS, MS/PhD, PhD

Students are introduced to novel methods of research in multidisciplinary environments. Specializations are available in electronic materials, inorganic materials, macromolecular/biomedical materials, and structural materials; with accommodations for individual interests.

Mathematics
www.math.ucsb.edu/grad/index.php
(805) 893-8192
math-gradinfo@math.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA (Mathematics), MA (Applied Mathematics) MA/PhD, PhD

This program focuses on three aspects of mathematics: Applied Mathematics (helping solve problems in other areas of human endeavor), Mathematical Education (training others how to develop solutions), and Pure Mathematics (expanding and clarifying the understanding of mathematical thought itself).

Mechanical Engineering
me.ucsb.edu/graduate
(805) 893-2239
megrad@engineering.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MS, PhD


Media Arts and Technology
www.mat.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-5244
info@mat.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MS, PhD

Students conduct interdisciplinary research in electronic audio/music, visual and spatial arts, human-computer interaction, and multimedia engineering.

Molecular, Cellular & Developmental Biology (MCDB)
www.mcdb.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-8499
mcdb-gradasst@lifesci.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA, MA/PhD, PhD

Transdisciplinary research paths include bacterial pathogenesis, biochemistry, cell biology, cell physiology, developmental biology, gene regulation, genetics, immunology/allorecognition, microbiology, molecular marine biology, neurobiology, pharmacology, plant molecular biology/physiology, and virology.

Music
www.music.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-4603
cyartz@music.ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA, MA/PhD, PhD, MM, MM/DMA, DMA

Students receive intensive training in areas like music history, composition, theory, and performance.

Philosophy
www.philosophy.ucsb.edu
(805) 893-7490
aaronzimmerman@ucsb.edu
Degrees: MA/PhD, PhD

Students explore and analyze core areas like language, logic, the mind, ethics, politics, epistemology, ancient philosophy, modern philosophy, and metaphysics.
**Physics**  
www.physics.ucsb.edu  
(805) 893-4646  
graddapp@physics.ucsb.edu  
Degrees: PhD

The department offers resources for both experimental and theoretical research. Students benefit from well-equipped laboratories in biophysics and condensed matter physics (spintronics, nanotechnology, and quantum information science), for the development and construction of innovative detector technologies in astrophysics, particle physics, and ultra cold atomic physics experiments.

**Political Science**  
www.polsci.ucsb.edu  
(805) 893-3626  
polsgrad@polsci.ucsb.edu  
Degrees: MA/PhD, PhD

Students choose from diverse and flexible programs in American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory, Politics of Identity, and Politics of the Environment; with extensive methodological training, interdisciplinary approaches, and close work with a faculty mentor.

**Psychological & Brain Sciences**  
www.psych.ucsb.edu  
(805) 893-2793  
grad-info@psych.ucsb.edu  
Degrees: PhD

The program offers a balance between theory-oriented and problem-oriented basic and applied research. The department trains experimental psychologists to carry out empirically-based research in several core areas of experimental psychology, including Cognition/Perception, Cognitive Neuroscience, Developmental/Evolutionary Psychology, Neuroscience/Behavior, and Social Psychology.

**Religious Studies**  
www.religion.ucsb.edu  
(805) 893-2744  
 gd-relst@religion.ucsb.edu  
Degrees: MA, MA/PhD, PhD

The graduate program offers concentrations in a variety of religious traditions (Christian, Jewish, Islamic, Hindu, Buddhist, Sikh, Native American, and indigenous) from South and East Asia, the Middle East, the ancient and medieval Mediterranean world, and North America.

**Sociology**  
www.soc.ucsb.edu  
(805) 893-3328  
gradsoc@soc.ucsb.edu  
Degrees: MA/PhD

This department stresses diversity and innovation in its approach to research and learning, and seeks to be a center of rigorous, sophisticated, and inspired searches for knowledge of social life.

**Statistics and Applied Probability**  
www.pstat.ucsb.edu  
(805) 893-2129  
gradinfo@pstat.ucsb.edu  
Degrees: MA (Statistics), MA/PhD, PhD

The PhD program prepares students to conduct research in a diverse range of areas like Theoretical Statistics and Statistical Methodology, Probability, Financial Mathematics, Applied Statistics, and Biostatistics. The MA program trains students in the methodology and theory of modern statistical practice by teaching data analytic procedures and their applications to statistical problems.

**Technology Management**  
tmp.ucsb.edu  
MTM Contact: (805) 893-3167 • mtm@tmp.ucsb.edu  
PhD Contact: (805) 893-5133 • phd-tmp@tmp.ucsb.edu  
Degrees: MTM, PhD

The Master of Technology Management (MTM) is an intensive nine-month, professional degree intended for students with engineering, science, mathematics, or quantitative social science backgrounds who have a demonstrated potential for leadership. The TMP doctoral program produces exceptional scholars in technological change and innovation who will go on to research and teach at top universities.

**Theater Studies**  
www.theaterdance.ucsb.edu  
(805) 893-3147  
theaterdance-gradadv@theaterdance.ucsb.edu  
Degrees: MA, MA/PhD, PhD

The M.A. program affords a strong foundation for work in educational or professional theater or for further graduate study. The Ph.D. is an intensive program concentrating in literary, critical, and historical research, designed to prepare students for university teaching.
Diversity in graduate education

Demonstrated commitment

UCSB is the first member of the prestigious Association of American Universities to be designated as a Hispanic-Serving Institution — a designation we celebrate and embrace. The U.S. Department of Education also designated UCSB as an Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution. We are also committed to recognizing the unique and important contributions of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) through the UC-HBCU Initiative.

Providing paths to success

In the third annual College Access Index published by The New York Times, UCSB ranked No. 2 for its commitment to economic diversity, affordability, and financial assistance.

A global network

Our 2016 incoming graduate student cohort hailed from 45 different countries across the globe. International students made up one-third of the total students enrolled for the 2016/2017 school year.

Diverse identities

All applicants to UCSB have the option to choose among six gender identities listed on admissions forms. All current UC students are able to update their preferred gender and sexual identity through the UCSB Registrar.
Fostering an inclusive community

Our community of leaders, researchers, and scholars reflects the diversity of California and the populations with which we engage. We enrich our research and knowledge systems by bringing together a variety of experiences, perspectives, and approaches. Rich collaborations throughout our UCSB community lead to new questions, original discoveries, and novel innovations addressing modern challenges.

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Timnit Kefela
Ph.D. Student, Environmental Science & Management
Graduate Scholar

Student groups and associations

Our graduate students value bringing people together for social and academic dialogue. Across our campus, our students have the opportunity to engage in groups such as the Graduate Student Association, Black Graduate Student Association, Graduate Students for Diversity in Science, the International Student Association, Asian and Pacific Islander Graduate Student Association, American Indian Graduate Student Alliance, Women in Science and Engineering, Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science, the Queer Trans Graduate Student Association, and the Non-Traditional Students Group.

The Graduate Scholars Program

The Graduate Scholars Program provides first- and second-year doctoral students from diverse backgrounds with an advanced doctoral student mentor, mentoring group meetings with a faculty mentor, career and professional development from the Graduate Student Resource Center, networking events, and access to other campus resources.

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The Graduate Student Resource Center

The Graduate Student Resource Center (GSRC) is the primary resource for graduate students at UCSB for career and professional development. We offer a variety of workshops and events, individual advising, and referrals to other campus resources for graduate students.

The GSRC houses 4 career staff members and 6 graduate-student peer advisors who serve our campus’ graduate students and postdocs in a variety of areas.

Areas of support

- Career & Professional Development
- Funding and Finances
- Writing & Editing
- Diversity & Outreach
- International Graduate Students

+ Over 175 workshops and informational sessions every year

How to connect

Visit the GradPost website to learn about the news, events, and resources you need to succeed in grad school at UCSB:

www.gradpost.ucsb.edu

Follow the GSRC team on Facebook and Twitter to stay up-to-date:

www.facebook.com/UCSBGSRC
www.twitter.com/UCSB_GSRC
Professional development workshops & events

Grad Success Series
A two-week series of workshops and social events to help incoming UCSB graduate students make a smooth transition to grad school life.

Beyond Academia Conference
Annual career exploration conference that prepares UCSB graduate students and postdoctoral researchers in all stages and disciplines to pursue a wide range of career options after graduate school.

Lunch & Learn
Monthly informal seminar series that provides grad students with free lunch and a chance to socialize with and learn from their peers from across the campus.

Graduate Writers’ Room
Year-round space for graduate students to work in a quiet and collaborative space, featuring free coffee and snacks.

Dissertation Write-In
Free, four-day writing workshops to help Ph.D. students in the middle stages of their dissertation process with intensive writing times, breakout sessions, one-on-one consultations, and peer consultations.

Grad Slam
An award-winning competition for the best three-minute research talk by a graduate student for a diverse audience.

Perfecting the elevator pitch

“Research serves no point if you can’t get the community and the people who are going to fund you to understand what you’re doing.”

Leah Foltz
Ph.D. ’18, Biomolecular Science & Engineering
Graduate Student Researcher, Dennis O. Clegg Lab
2017 UCSB Grad Slam Champion
Learn, live, and thrive at UCSB

Academic counseling
Our Graduate Division Academic Counselor supports students throughout their academic journey with in-person meetings, phone meetings, and workshops. Areas of support include academic goal setting and planning, communication and conflict resolution skills, time management, balancing personal difficulties, and confidence-building strategies.

Networking events & resources
Network with fellow graduate students at events and gatherings hosted by the Graduate Student Association and the Graduate Student Resource Center. The UCSB Office of Student Life provides a comprehensive list of student organizations on campus. Students can also meet with alumni in their field through the Gaucho Professional Network events and online opportunities, curated by UCSB Alumni Affairs.

Health and wellness
All graduate students have access to the campus gym and swimming facilities at the UCSB Recreation Center. You can also receive discounts on group fitness classes with your student ID. UCSB Student Health & Wellness provides a weekly Drop-In Wellness Center at the Graduate Student Lounge.
Support for every facet of graduate life

We strive to provide extensive resources for our graduate students to build their own blend of academic and social experiences here at UC Santa Barbara.

**Housing**

UCSB offers two family housing complexes for graduate students, featuring 1- and 2-bedroom apartments located about a mile from the center of campus. Priority is given to families with children, and it is recommended that interested students apply for the waitlist as soon as possible – even prior to admittance – to ensure their spot in these popular residences. More than 900 first and second-year graduate students can be accommodated at San Clemente Villages, UCSB’s housing community for single graduate students. New students are guaranteed single student housing for their first two years, as long as they meet annual application deadlines.

**Parent resources**

Graduate student parents have access to several financial resources to offset childcare expenses. The Graduate Student Association offers quarterly childcare grants to all eligible graduate students. Academic student employees and graduate student researchers can take advantage of the childcare reimbursement program as well as a dependent childcare flexible spending account. Our community is home to many social networks and groups geared toward supporting student families, like our Graduate Student Parent Facebook Group and organizations like Postpartum Education for Parents (PEP). Parents of children with special education needs can reach out to the Santa Barbara Tri Counties Regional Center in order to set up support and services.
Choose your path. Explore your passion.

We welcome talented students from all over the world to apply for our graduate programs at UC Santa Barbara.

Contact our Admissions & Outreach team and learn more about UCSB’s graduate application requirements and deadlines at (805) 893-2277 or email us at: gradadmissions@graddiv.ucsb.edu.

How to apply
www.graddiv.ucsb.edu/admissions/how-to-apply