



Welcome to John Muir College



What is Muir College Advising?

Muir College Academic Advisors serve as your first stop to navigating UC San Diego and your academic choices.

We are **part of your UCSD advising team** and want to help you thrive.

We **clarify** academic rules and deadlines; **guide** you through overall graduation planning; **refer** you to campus resources, support programs, and information specialists; and **empower** you to make informed decisions.



MUIR COLLEGE

What you need for Muir College requirements depends on your TRANSFER TYPE



MAJOR

Provides main structure of your academic plan



UNIVERSITY

ALL Muir students need:

- Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DEI)
- American History & Institutions (AHI)
- Minimum of 60 Upper Division Units
- Minimum of 180 total units

= THE 3 BIG PIECES FOR GRADUATION ELIGIBILITY

College Requirements depend on your **TRANSFER TYPE.**

Full UC IGETC Certified

- ❑ 1 Muir writing course:
**MCWP 50 or
MCWP 125**

Partial UC IGETC Certified

- ❑ 1 Muir writing course:
**MCWP 50 or
MCWP 125**
- ❑ **Plus**, one or two
classes at UCSD that
match your missing
IGETC areas.

*Consult Muir College
Advisor for details.*

UC Reciprocity

- ❑ **MCWP 40***
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**Some UC courses have been approved to clear Muir Writing courses.
Consult Muir College Advisor for details.*

*+ If you completed your general education or breadth requirements at
another UC campus before your transfer to UCSD, ask your original UC
campus to submit a "**letter of reciprocity**" to Muir College.*

ALL OTHER TRANSFERS (Students without UC IGETC or Reciprocity)

Consult with a Muir College Advisor to see how your transfer
courses apply to the Muir College General Education (GE)
requirements:

- ❑ **MCWP 40**
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- ❑ **1 Social Science theme**
- ❑ **1 Math/Natural Sciences theme**
- ❑ Choose **2 themes** from the following 3 options:
 - ❑ **Fine Arts** or
 - ❑ **Humanities** or
 - ❑ **Language Other Than English**

*+ A **GE theme** refers to **1 year's worth of college credit** (i.e. 3
quarter courses or 2 semester courses) from our approved
Muir GE list.*



Frequently Asked Questions

What's a typical Fall schedule?

All students are expected to be enrolled in at least 12.0 units (i.e. 3 four-unit courses) to secure **FULL-TIME status**. Your schedule is primarily guided by major requirements.



Sample:

Major (4.0 units)

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Over the summer, we focus on your Fall quarter enrollment needs and online advising is available. "Degree Check" or graduation planning appointments with a Muir Advisor are available later after Fall Quarter begins.

Can you tell me my progress for graduation?

What if I want to be PART-TIME?

Only students who apply and get approved for **PART-TIME status** can be enrolled in 10.0 units or less and pay reduced fees.

Contact the specific **MAJOR DEPARTMENT** for details. Acceptance into a **capped major** is **NOT** guaranteed.

If you chose UCSD today, then you are choosing UCSD for other factors then guaranteed choice of major.

Can I change to a **CAPPED** major?

I ACCEPTED! What Next?



Once you **Accept Your Offer (AYO)**, be mindful of the [Enrollment Checklist](#) from the UCSD Admissions office. This flyer highlights the Muir College items from that list:

1 "COMPLETE YOUR NEW STUDENT COLLEGE ORIENTATION REGISTRATION"

Register for your Muir College Orientation session! Sign up for your mandatory **one-day in person September** session at <http://cor.ucsd.edu>. This site opens **mid-June**. The charge is applied to your Fall Billing statement and can be covered by Financial Aid.

2 "COMPLETE YOUR ACADEMIC BACKGROUND"

In **mid-June**, learn how to enroll in classes on **New Triton Advising (NTA) via the Virtual Advising Center** at <http://vac.ucsd.edu>. Submit your Academic Background survey and finish this site in order to access the "Ask a Question" button and the New Transfer Virtual Academic Advising drop in hours. All new students enroll in **mid-late August** per their assigned registration times.

☐ **BE PROACTIVE:** Submit your **Official Transcripts** and **Official UC IGETC** documentation to the UCSD Offices of Admissions by **JULY 1ST**. Verify both are sent by your community college. Some community colleges do not automatically include your "UC IGETC"; you need to request it!

3 ENGAGE with the Muir Orientation Program!



Muir Orientation CANVAS site = self-paced informational modules about Muir student life



New Student Webinar series = interact with our experienced College Staff about various academic and non-academic topics



Your Orientation Session = continue building roots at Muir College by connecting with new students in person