What is Muir College Advising?

Muir College Academic Advisors serve as your first stop to navigating UC San Diego and your academic choices. We guide your academic journey from Orientation to Graduation! We are part of your UCSD advising team and want to help you thrive.

What do we do for you?

1. **Guide** you in general course selection decisions, intentional goal setting, and planning degree progress.
2. **Clarify** university rules, regulations, and deadlines.
3. **Refer** to campus resources and support programs.
4. **Empower** you to make informed choices.


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**MUIR COLLEGE GE (GENERAL EDUCATION)**

- 2 College Writing courses
- 3 courses in a Social Science theme
- 3 courses in a Math/Natural Science theme
- 6 courses overall from two themes in either Fine Arts/ Humanities/ Language Other than English

**MAJOR**

Provides the 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

= GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
**Frequently Asked Questions**

**How can I graduate in 4 years or faster?**

Students can view four-year academic plans for every major at [plans.ucsd.edu](http://plans.ucsd.edu). Some majors also include 3 year plans. Students can also consider Summer Session to spread out courses for a faster graduation. Students with AP and IB credits can refer to **AP CHART/IB CHART** (to be updated by summer) for how their credits may apply toward requirements, such as GEs.

**What's a typical Fall schedule?**

3-4 courses (i.e. 16.0 units). NOTE: 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 [plans.ucsd.edu](http://plans.ucsd.edu).

**What if I'm pre-health?**

Connect with the Pre-Health Advising (Health Beat) at Career Services, [healthbeat.ucsd.edu](http://healthbeat.ucsd.edu). Students can be any major and decide to pursue pre-health.

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

Acceptance into a capped major is **NOT guaranteed**. So, if you choose UCSD today, you are choosing to attend based on other factors that draw you to this institute.

**What is a MUIR GE THEME?**

A GE theme is fulfilled by 3 courses at UCSD, or one year’s worth of college credit. Each theme offers a broad based look at a subject. Refer to options for each theme at [Muir.ucsd.edu](http://Muir.ucsd.edu). Use [catalog.ucsd.edu](http://catalog.ucsd.edu) to find any course description and learn more about a specific class.
Once you have Accepted Your Offer (AYO), be mindful with your Triton Checklist, which is an itemized list of required tasks for you to complete as an admitted student.

This flyer highlights what you need to do as a new MUIR COLLEGE student regarding college information, orientation sign-up, and first quarter enrollment:

1. **COMPASS PRE-ORIENTATION**
   - In **mid-May**, go to [https://mycompass.ucsd.edu/](https://mycompass.ucsd.edu/) to read the section regarding general information on Muir College and resources.

2. **NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION REGISTRATION**
   - Students register for their **mandatory** one-day September orientation program at [http://cor.ucsd.edu](http://cor.ucsd.edu). This opens **mid-May**. This charge is applied to your Fall Billing statement and can be covered by Financial Aid.

3. **NEW TRITON ADVISING (NTA)**
   - To prepare for Fall 2022 Enrollment this summer, you use New Triton Advising via the Virtual Advising Center, [http://vac.ucsd.edu](http://vac.ucsd.edu). This opens **mid-May** and requires you to submit an Academic Background Survey by mid-June. Via NTA, new student enrollment is an online onboarding process that includes how-to videos, webinars, and a curated Fall Enrollment Guidance page. Starting in **early August**, you gain access to the Online advising function to submit academic questions directly to advisors. All new students enroll in **mid-late August** per their assigned registration times.

   ➔ **REMEMBER**: Submit your official transcripts and test scores to the UCSD Office of Admissions as soon as possible by the July 1st posting deadline.

4. **MUIR COLLEGE ORIENTATION PROGRAM**
   - There are two parts! **PART I**: You will gain access to the Muir Orientation CANVAS site. Complete the informational modules at your own pace before **PART II**: attending your registered Orientation Program in **September**.