Transfer Alliance Program (TAP/Honors) Newsletter

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To: TAP Students and Faculty

From: TAP Director, Dr. Yih-Mei Hu, Music Department

TAP Counselor, Chris Petrini, Counseling Department

Dear TAP Students and Community,

By now, we hope you have adequately adjusted to your Fall 2021 schedule, whether it's your first semester in college or your final term in completing degree and/or transfer preparation requirements by December. If you are considering adding a "late-start" class that begins on October 25 (2nd 8 Weeks), and you would like Honors credit for it, remember that Page 1 of the TAP/HONORS CONTRACT is due by October 29 to Dr. Hu. There will be no exceptions; information on the contract process was detailed in the September 2021 Newsletter.

October is peak "transfer season;" many resources are available not only at LAVC's Career & Transfer Center but also at your desired transfer institution as a *prospective student*. Various links are provided within this newsletter as opportunities to explore a variety of four-year institutions, in person or virtually, to help guide your application process.

On a related note, if you still need to submit your AP Scores from College Board or your high school transcript to satisfy general education areas on either CSUGE or IGETC, please do so now. You may have previously submitted either one to the TAP/Honors Program as a part of your application; however, all documentation must also be on file with LAVC's Admissions and Records in order to avoid delays in posting degrees or CSUGE/IGETC Certification to your LACCD transcript.

Finally, as a reminder, Mr. Petrini is on campus and available for "in-person" TAP Office Hours in ACA 1414 on Wednesdays from 1:30—3:30PM, as well as "in-person" TAP appointments on Thursdays. Don't forget your mask!

Dr. Hu and Mr. Petrini

I. FALL 2022 ADMISSION CYCLE FOR TRANSFERRING

You are encouraged to complete your transfer applications WELL BEFORE the end of November to avoid any delay in applying due to possible application system overloads. Applications for Fall 2022 transfer are accepted according to the following deadlines:

- California State University (CSU) Priority Application Filing Period: October 1, 2021 November 30,
 2021. Please use the <u>CSU Application link</u>.
- University of California (UC) Application Filing Period: November 1 30, 2021 (application opened on August 1). Please use the <u>UC Application link</u>.
- University of Southern California (USC) There are two (2) application deadlines, dependent on major, as defined below. USC applicants use the Common Application.
- December 1, 2021: Deadline for all BFA Dramatic Arts programs (theatre majors); the Thornton School
 of Music; the Glorya Kaufman School of Dance; the Iovine and Young Academy; plus, Animation and
 Digital Arts majors, and Writing for Screen and Television majors in the School of Cinematic Arts.
- February 15, 2022: Deadline for all other programs at USC. Students who apply for admission by February 15 will also be considered for USC Merit Scholarships.

II. UCLA'S TAP ADMISSION & FALL 2022 TAP CERTIFICATION PROCESS

Students who complete LAVC's TAP/Honors Program receive priority consideration for admission to UCLA College (of Letters and Science). Students not selected for admission to their first-choice major will be reviewed for an alternate major within the College, as long as it is not one of the 16 restricted majors. The alternate major must be listed on the original UC Application and match what is written on the TAP Certification form that Mr. Petrini and Dr. Hu will submit to UCLA TAP. See below for more details.

Note: Certification for non-College of Letters & Science majors at UCLA such as Arts and Architecture, Engineering, Music, Nursing, or Theater, Film and Television can be obtained if the student completes the prerequisites for an appropriate alternate major in the College of Letters & Science (Pre-Public Affairs and Pre-Education and Social Transformation cannot be listed as an alternate major). This TAP Certification, however, is not considered in the review for selection by the UCLA professional undergraduate schools.

UC Application Process

- Complete and submit the UC Application between November 1 30, 2021 for Fall 2022.
- You **DO NOT** need to indicate on your UC application that you are a TAP student, as this is handled during the TAP Certification process.
- The alternate major in UCLA's College <u>must</u> be listed on your original UC Application and <u>match</u> what is written on the <u>TAP Certification</u> form, which will be submitted by Mr. Petrini and Dr. Hu in early Spring 2022. Requests to add or change the alternate major after submission of the application will not be considered. This applies to all alternate majors at UCLA.
- Beginning January 6, all applicants must submit an online UC Transfer Application Update form to report final Fall 2021 grades and in-progress or planned coursework (priority deadline is January 31). Students are required to notify UCLA of any and all changes/updates to their work-in-progress as they occur. UCLA's admission decision is based upon a review of current work-in-progress.
- o Do not forget to apply to any UC campus in which you submitted a TAG.

- To see if other UC campuses admit students to an alternate major, consult pages 45 and 46 of the Quick Reference Guide to UC Admissions for specific campus policies: https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/files/quick-reference.pdf
- For Undocumented student resources and support with the UC application, visit: https://undoc.universityofcalifornia.edu/
- For Veterans student resources and support with the UC application, visit: https://veterans.universityofcalifornia.edu/

LAVC Certification Process – TAP Requirements

- In order to be TAP Certified for Fall 2022 admission, students must have 18 or 15 Honors units completed, plus LIB SCI 101, by the end of Spring 2022. At least 9 Honors units must be completed by the end of Fall 2021 in order for the TAP Certification process to be initiated.
- Students will complete a personalized TAP Completion Plan showing how they have met—or plan to meet—these above requirements by stated deadlines. <u>Email Mr. Petrini to receive a TAP Completion</u> Plan if you plan to be TAP Certified for Fall 2022 admission.
- Students will make an appointment with Mr. Petrini in November or December 2021 (once your Winter/Spring 2022 schedule is set) to complete the TAP Certification worksheet, using information from your TAP Completion Plan, your UC Application, and all transcripts.
- Beginning January 3, 2022, LAVC will receive a list of all TAP students who have applied to UCLA. This
 will allow the identification of students in our program whom should be TAP Certified, and thus eligible
 for priority consideration for admission to UCLA College.
- o Mr. Petrini and Dr. Hu will facilitate all forms to be submitted for TAP Certification.
- o TAP-Certified applicants will receive priority consideration as files are evaluated throughout March, and admission decisions will be released in late April 2022.
- Review these <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u>, which may help you determine what is more important to complete—major prep or IGETC.

III. UC CAMPUS FALL EVENTS FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

This Fall, University of California campuses are offering in-person or virtual events for prospective students, including college fairs, appointments, admissions sessions, tours, and videos on admission, housing, and/or financial aid and scholarships. Each campus continues to work closely with state, federal and local agencies to ensure the safety of the campus and community. Therefore, the format of events could change depending on current guidelines. See each link for specific campus details.

UC Berkeley: Open House October 9; programming throughout September and October

<u>UC Davis:</u> Open House **October 4-29**; programming for families and students offered throughout the fall quarter

UC Irvine: Preview Week **October 11-15** (Virtual)

UCLA: Open House **September 25-30** (Virtual)

UC Merced: Programming available throughout September, October, and November

UC Riverside: Discover UCR November 1-4 (Virtual)

<u>UC San Diego:</u> Fall Showcase **October 2**; Programming available throughout September, October, and November

UC Santa Barbara: Programming throughout October and November

Santa Cruz: Programming throughout September, October, and November

IV. FALL EVENTS FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS AT TAP PARTNER COLLEGES

Chapman University (Orange, CA) On-campus and virtual campus tours

La Sierra University (Riverside, CA) Campus tours in a limited capacity

Loyola Marymount University (Los Angeles) On-campus and virtual campus tours

Mills College (Oakland, CA) Virtual campus tours

Occidental College (Los Angeles) Explore Occidental Days: October 11 & November 12

Pomona College (Claremont, CA) On-campus tours expected in Fall

Pitzer College (Claremont, CA) On-campus and virtual tours

Woodbury University (Burbank) Discover Woodbury: Fall Virtual Event on October 16

V. LAVC CAREER & TRANSFER CENTER

Don't forget to visit Los Angeles Valley College's Career & Transfer Center for online workshops on completing your UC Application, including the PIQs, the CSU Application, or private institution applications. See the dynamic calendar for campus representative presentations, or drop-in assistance for everything transfer at the LAVC Career & Transfer Center website.

VI. HONORS TRANSFER COUNCIL of CA (HTCC) TRANSFER FAIR

You are invited to attend the 7th Annual HTCC Honors Transfer Fair, **Friday, October 8th** which will be held virtually from 8am-2pm. Special presentations from transfer partner campuses regarding transfer admissions information, benefits of joining an honors society such as Phi Theta Kappa at LAVC, scholarships/fellowships, and to hear about the academic opportunities these institutions provide. **Students must RSVP** by Monday, **October 4**.

In addition, if you are interested in publishing your creative nonfiction, short fiction, poetry, photography, visual art, foreign language work, or open media in *Scribendi*, the deadline for submissions is **Friday, October 15.** See <u>Academic Opportunities for Honors Students</u> for this information, as well as to discover other opportunities to share or present your academic research at conferences throughout the year.

VII. JACK KENT COOKE UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP

The 2021-2022 Jack Kent Cooke Foundation's Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship application is open as of October 1, 2021. Eligible students are those transferring to begin studies in Fall 2022, and those not already enrolled in a four-year institution. Recipients can be awarded up to a maximum of \$55,000 per year for up to three years of funding!

The Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship application is submitted using the Common App for Transfer. All materials must be submitted by **January 10, 2022**. Email scholarships@jkcf.org with questions or visit the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation website.

VIII. UPDATING OUR RECORDS

If you are receiving this newsletter and have already transferred or are no longer an activ	e TAP/Honors student
please send an email to Chris Petrini at petrinca@lavc.edu to update us on your status and include the email	
address you would like us to remove. In addition, please let us know where/if you have "transferred to	
or why you are "no longer participating in TAP due to	" Thank you very
much and best of luck in the future!	