

# VIRTUAL ADVISING CENTER

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**Triton Transfers**



# WHAT IS THE VAC?

The Virtual Advising Center (or the VAC) is a secure, online tool where you can ask questions to your college and/or department advisors regarding your academics. It's also the official means of communication used by your college and department advisors to contact you regarding any academic issues or concerns.



The screenshot shows the VAC website interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for 'Advising', 'Classes & Enrollment', 'Financial Tools', 'Personal Tools', 'Student Forms', and 'Help'. Below the menu is a header with a graphic of a person. On the left side, there is a sidebar menu with options: 'Ask a Question', 'Meet with Advisor', 'Contact Record', 'My Files', 'Preferences', 'Academic Notices', 'News', 'AQ', 'Useful Links', 'Academic Plans', and 'Graduation'. The main content area is titled 'Ask a Question' and contains the following text:

Please submit questions for ERC Academic Advisors here. For questions regarding major requirements or departmental issues, direct them to the specific department. Please note that Financial Aid, Housing, Billing, and ISPO are not in this system, so you need to submit questions to them via email.

*Note: University employees are responsible for reporting any allegations of discrimination, sexual harassment, or sexual violence to the Office for the Prevention of Harassment and Discrimination.*

**Scheduling an Appointment with an ERC Advisor:**  
To schedule a Remote, please go to "Schedule an Appointment." (located in the Meet with Advisor tab) If you need assistance please call our office at (858) 534-9864.

**Academic Advising Tools:**  
The following tools may answer a few of your general questions:

- ERC GE Listing, including approved Upper Division Writing and Regional Specialization Course Lists.
- [Click here](#) to view approved courses to fulfill Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI).
- For transferable courses from community colleges use <http://assist.org>.

You have been invited to take a short Academic Advising Satisfaction Survey! [Take the survey](#).

**Topic:** Academic Advising

**Direct to:** Eleanor Roosevelt College

Why isn't the department I want to contact listed?

**Question:**

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Oct 20

Health fee waiver available upon enrollment. Student Health website info

COUNT

balance is

0.00

You are not enrolled for Fall 2023.

You are enrolled in D  
**Deposit.**

See account

## WHERE IS THE VAC?

To access the VAC, you can either:

- Log into TritonLink using your PID and password, scroll over the "Advising & Grades" tab, and click on "Virtual Advising Center" from the drop-down menu

OR

- Go to <http://vac.ucsd.edu> and log in from there



# ASK A QUESTION?

To get answers to questions from your college academic advising office and major departments, use the "Ask a Question" tab.



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# SENDING MESSAGES

**Topic**

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**Question**

**Make sure to select a topic from the drop-down menu provided!**

Next, select who you want your question to be directed to:

- If your question concerns your **GE requirements**, University requirements, or general academic concerns, please select "**College Academic Advisor.**"
- If your question is regarding your **major**, select the option provided that says "**MAJOR**"
- If your question is regarding your **minor**, select the option provided that says "**MINOR**"
- If you have a question regarding **course prerequisites or department requirements** that are ***outside of your major and/or minor requirements***, choose the "**Select A Department**" option and select the appropriate department using the drop-down menu provided.

Once you've done that, you can submit your question in the "**Questions**" box, and an advisor will respond within 24 to 48 business hours.

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# MEET WITH AN ADVISOR?

Appointments: Go to the Meet with Advisor tab and select College or Major from the drop-down menu. Then select Schedule Appointment and proceed with the listed instructions.



# DROP – IN ADVISING

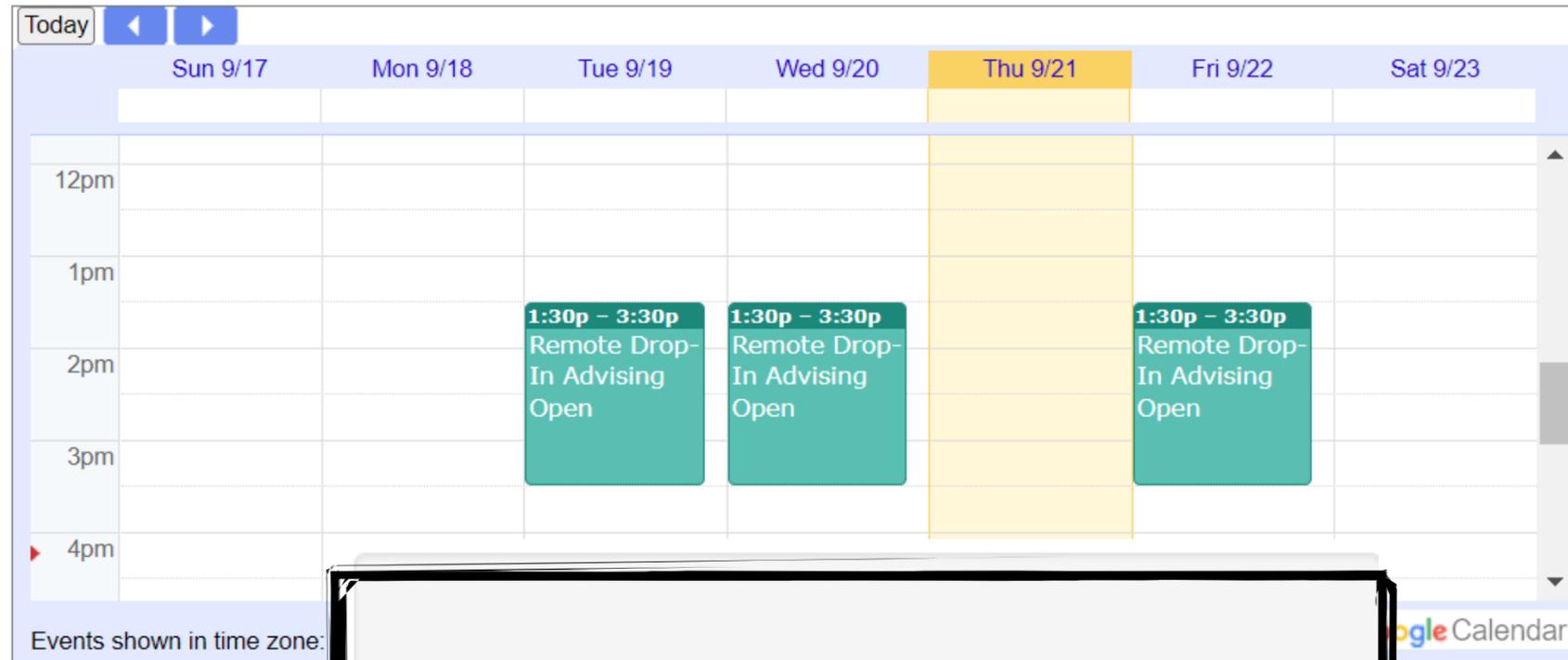
## Meet with Advisor

Meet with

Sixth College

Why isn't the department I want to contact listed?

### Advising Hours



### [Sign-in for Remote Drop-In](#)

Meet with an advisor remotely from your own device without a pre-scheduled appointment.

Some colleges or major departments may offer drop-in advising. This allows you to meet with an advisor without having an appointment.

- Look at the posted calendar to see when the drop-in advising hours are.
- Click on “**Sign-in for Remote Drop-in Advising**” and you will be placed in a Zoom waiting room. Your advisor will let you in when they are ready to meet.

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# WHAT IS THE CONTACT RECORD?

The contact record shows all your correspondence with the VAC. This is where your questions will be answered from “Ask a Question.” This is also helpful if you ever want to look back at your previous questions.

## Contact Record

Academic Advising (#4491509)

**Created** May 26, 2023 9:14 am

**Last activity** May 26, 2023 1:54 pm

**Last replier** Sequoia Arvelo

Good morning, I just need help updating my degree audit. After I chang...

✔ Your question has been answered!

[Read message](#)

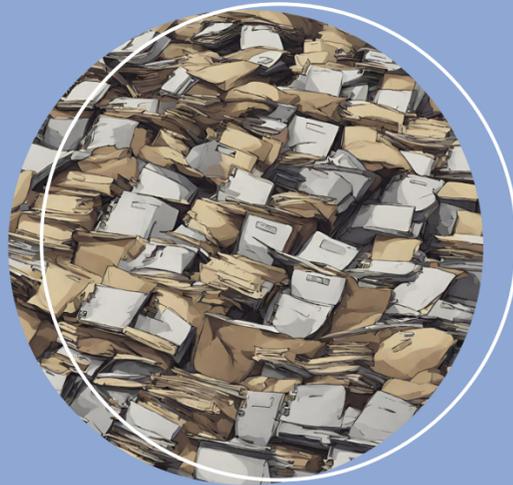
Quarter Limit Policy Notification (#4464991)

**Created** May 1, 2023 9:13 am

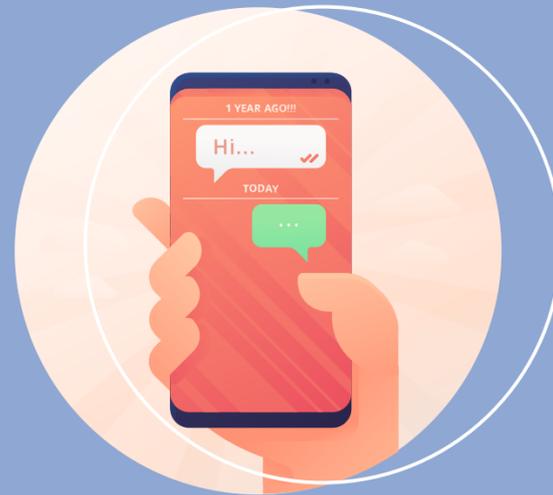
**Last activity** May 1, 2023 9:13 am

**Last replier** Christine Fraser

# PERSONAL INFORMATION



**My Files**  
Degree Audits



**Preferences**  
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**Academic Notices**  
From  
major/department

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The News Tab will give you information on your given College's Drop in and in Person Advising Hours. This will vary per college and be updated every quarter.



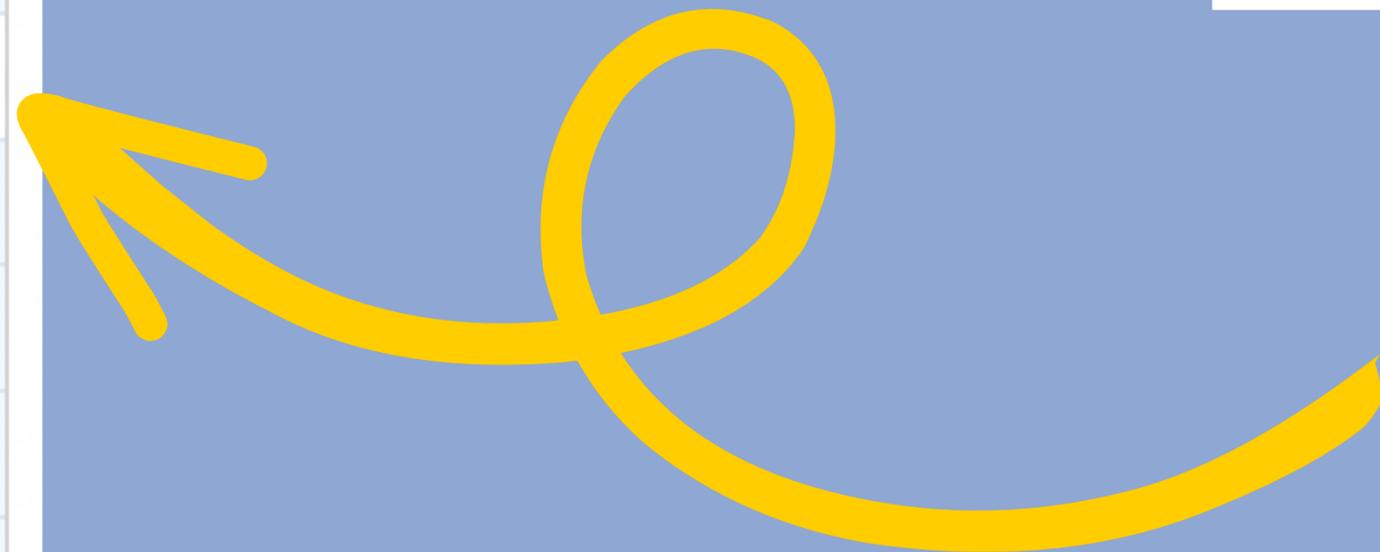
## Welcome to Earl Warren College's Virtual Advising Center

### Summer 2023 Zoom Drop-In Hours

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 1:30 - 3:30 pm

We are located in the [Computer Science and Engineering building](#), EBU3B

# NEWS



# FAQ (FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS)

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The FAQ tab is a great place to start in the Virtual Advising Center. In this tab, you can find many of the most common questions that come through the center, under any of the given 5 categories: Registration, General Education, Major/Minor, Petitions, and Graduation.

If you need more specific answers on a question within here, it is still advised to reach out to the VAC.

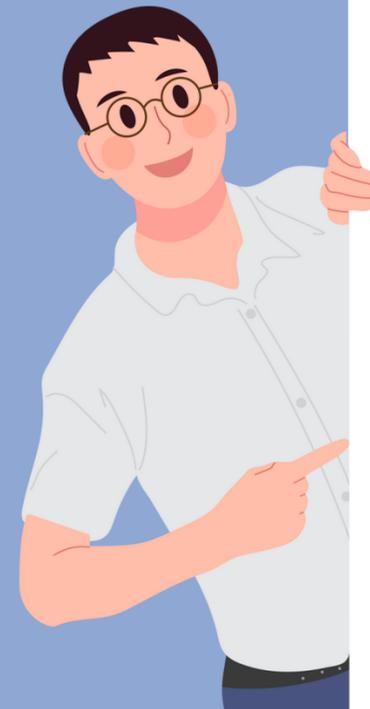
## Frequently Asked Questions

[Registration](#) | [General Education](#) | [Major/Minor](#) | [Petitions](#) | [Graduation&Commencement](#)

# USEFUL LINKS

The useful links page provides info on:

- General Education requirements per college.
- For transferable courses from community colleges use <http://assist.org>.
- [Approved Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion DEI courses](#)
- [Majors offered at UC San Diego](#)
- Information on [Capped Majors](#)
- [UCSD General Catalog](#)



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# ACADEMIC PLANS

When you click the Academic Plans page on the Virtual Advising Center, you will be sent to this page, and you will see this pop up. **Make sure to select the college you were admitted into.**

It will then prompt you to fill out your entering year, Department, and Major. Make sure you put in your information, **this is just an example.**

Select an academic plan

**College**  
Earl Warren

**Entering Year**  
2023-2024

**Department / Program**  
Chemistry and Biochemistry

**Major**  
Chemistry\* (CH25)

Select your college

Students are admitted to UC San Diego in one of the undergraduate colleges [🔗](#).  
**If you are a continuing UC San Diego student, be sure to choose your college for accurate information.**  
Petitions to transfer between colleges are approved only in exceptional cases. Please see your college academic counselor for the criteria.

**College**

- ✓ --
- Revelle
- John Muir
- Thurgood Marshall
- Earl Warren**
- Eleanor Roosevelt
- Sixth
- Seventh
- Eighth

Four Year Plan

Transfer Plan

↔ indicates course overlaps GE & major requirements

**Scroll Down and Select Transfer Plan.**

# ACADEMIC PLANS (CONT.)

2023-2024			annual units 46.0					
Fall	term units 16.0		Winter	term units 14.0		Spring	term units 16.0	
PHYS 2C or 2D	4.0		PHYS 2BL or 2CL or 2DL*	2.0		CHEM Elective	4.0	
CHEM 114A	4.0		CHEM 100A	4.0		CHEM 120B	4.0	
WCWP 100*	4.0		CHEM 120A	4.0		CHEM 143B	4.0	
MATH 20C	4.0		MATH 20D	4.0		GE/DEI ⇄	4.0	

2024-2025			annual units 44.0					
Fall	term units 16.0		Winter	term units 16.0		Spring	term units 12.0	
CHEM Elective Lab	4.0		CHEM Elective	4.0		CHEM Elective Lab	4.0	
ELECTIVE	4.0		CHEM 105A	4.0		CHEM Elective	4.0	
CHEM 130	4.0		CHEM 131	4.0		CHEM 132	4.0	
GE	4.0		ELECTIVE	4.0				

You will then be able to view a two year academic plan created by your major department of an idealized class list for transfers. **Keep in mind that these plans are not everyone's plan**, and to curate a personal academic plan, you should talk to an Advisor.

### Comments

Earl Warren College

**\*Not all students will be able to enroll in WCWP 100 their first quarter, due to availability, but we strongly recommend that students enroll in the course as soon as their schedule allows.**

**University Requirements:**

1. The [American History and Institutions \(AHI\)](#) requirement may overlap with any other requirement if you are completing AHI at UC San Diego. AHI will be waived for international students on an F-1 or J-1 visa, at the time of graduation.
2. Courses that satisfy the [Diversity, Equity and Inclusion \(DEI\)](#) requirement can be found at the Undergraduate Education website. If applicable, we recommend that you overlap this course with any other requirement.

**Transfer Student Academic Plan Notes:**

1. This is a sample academic plan for students who enter UCSD as transfers, who completed a full IGETC at a California Cc agreement program) and started at UCSD with 90 quarter units. Individual student plans will differ depending on the num
2. If you do not have a verified transfer program (IGETC, Partial IGETC, UC Reciprocity), please consult the Warren Academ consideration your transfer academic history.
3. The [Warren GE choices](#) must include WCWP 100 and 2 upper-division courses that are non-contiguous to your major dis
4. DEI: We recommend that you overlap [DEI](#) with a major course OR an upper division non-contiguous GE course, **if applic** opportunity to fulfill two requirements with one course.
5. In addition to satisfying all major requirements as outlined in this plan, all Warren students are required to complete a mir division.

### Chemistry and Biochemistry

The plan above assumes completion of the [Transfer Major Preparatory](#) coursework. If you have instead completed all lower-division coursework for your major, please see example 2-year plans [here](#).

1. **Prerequisites:** Many courses have strictly enforced prerequisites which are your responsibility to meet. They can be found in our [Course Catalog](#).
2. **CHEM Elective Labs:** chosen from CHEM 100B, 105B, 108, 109, 123, 143C or 143D.
  - 8 units of CHEM 199 may be [petitioned](#) to fulfill one lab elective.
3. **CHEM Electives:** these are fulfilled by four-unit, upper-division undergraduate course offered by the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry and taken for a letter grade.
  - 4 units of CHEM 199 may be [petitioned](#) to fulfill one elective.
4. We recommend taking no more than **one lab per quarter**. Waiting to take 2 or more labs until your last quarter could prevent you from graduating on time.
5. Any given course can only satisfy **one major requirement**.

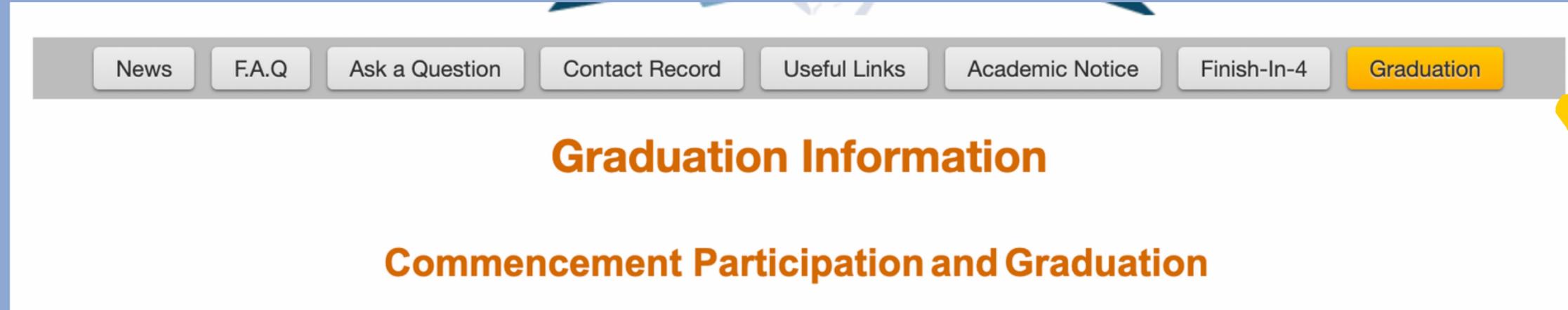
For more information, please see our [website](#).

\*PHYS 2DL is only offered in Fall.



Some notes will be at the end from both your college and department about the classes listed. Keep these in mind when using this plan.

# GRADUATION

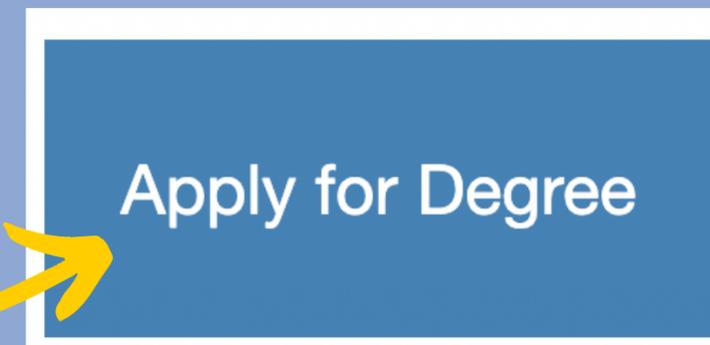


When you click on the Graduation Tab, you will be navigated to this page.

Graduating Quarter	Application Opens	Application Deadline
Winter 2023	October 7, 2022	Last day of finals, Winter 2023
Spring 2023	January 20, 2023	Last day of finals, Spring 2023 (May 25th deadline to register for commencement at commencement.ucsd.edu)
Summer 2023	January 20, 2023	Last day of finals, Summer Session II 2023
Fall 2023	June 19, 2023	Last day of finals, Fall 2023
Winter 2024	October 13, 2023	Last day of finals, Winter 2024
Spring 2024	January 19, 2024	Last day of finals, Spring 2024 (May 25th deadline to register for commencement at commencement.ucsd.edu)

On this page will be a list of graduation deadlines. Make sure you are keeping track of these so you can file on time in accordance to the graduation date you want to meet.

When you are ready to file for graduation, click this button at the bottom of the page to apply for your degree.



# YOUR TURN!

Have fun exploring the VAC on your own time! If you have any further questions, please contact your advisors or the Triton Transfer Hub for additional help. Good luck, Transfers!

