

Welcome to UC Riverside and the Applied Statistics Graduate Program!

We are delighted that you have decided to attend UCR and join the Applied Statistics Graduate Program! The faculty, students and staff look forward to your arrival and to help you transition smoothly into campus.

The areas listed below will attempt to answer most questions and help you prepare for fall enrollment.

THINGS TO DO RIGHT NOW



E-MAIL: Set-up your *Webmail* account as soon as possible at: <http://cnc.ucr.edu/iguide/> and click on *Webmail* for instructions to start receiving important campus information relating to registration, financial aid, fees, etc.



HOUSING:

If you'd like to be in contact with current students to find a roommate or a room-for-rent, let me know and I'd be glad to forward your message to all our current graduate students. I've listed below two housing resources for your convenience. **On-campus housing may offer short-term or interim housing.**

- (1) **UCR Housing Office** - Information is available on both on and off-campus housing options. Applications for the 2009-2010 academic year are already being accepted. Please apply early. If you would like to receive a PDF file of current on-campus housing options, please let me know.

(951) 827-6350

housinginfo@ucr.edu

www.housing.ucr.edu

- (2) **Riverside Apartment Finder**

<http://riverside.apartmentfinder.com>



Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

All U.S. Citizens and U.S. Permanent Residents who wish to receive *any* form of financial support (including university fellowships) from UCR are *required* to submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each year and no later than **August 1st** at www.fafsa.ed.gov/.

While UCR's offer of financial support is not federally funded, the university uses the FAFSA to qualify students for university support. Therefore, all students are required to complete the FAFSA in order for any fellowship funds to post to your account.

Incoming Graduate Domestic Students

Aside from the FAFSA, the Statement of Legal Residence form must be completed through the Registrar's web page to also have fellowship funds post to your account. <http://statementoflegalresidence.ucr.edu/information.html>.

In addition, you should also consider applying for external (a.k.a. extramural) fellowship awards available from agencies external to UCR. Extramural fellowships are excellent to augment financial support and your quality of life as a student. To learn more, visit our web site at: www.graddiv.ucr.edu/Extramural.html.

Other awards offered during the academic year:

Grad Dean Dissertation Research Grants.

CNAS Scholarships.

GSA Research Conference Awards.

Information on these awards will be sent to you when the call for applications comes in from Graduate Division. Graduate Division office may also offer emergency loans depending on your financial situation.



MAILING ADDRESS:

It is important that you review your contact information on GROWL regularly. Please notify me whenever you have a new address or phone number and make those changes on GROWL as well. Outdated information may cause delays in receiving program updates and check disbursements.

THINGS TO DO IN LATE SUMMER



REGISTRATION:

New student open enrollment period is **August 17-21** and other open enrollment windows are on **August 24-28 and Sept 8-15**. Sign up for classes via GROWL (Interactive Enrollment System) at: <http://classes.ucr.edu/enrollment/growl.html> and view the Schedule of Classes and Academic Calendar at <http://www.registrar.ucr.edu/>. To register you'll need your student ID and Perm PIN number which is printed on your acceptance letter. It is important that you contact the Graduate Advisor, Dr. Subir Ghosh for advice on the courses you'll need to take in fall quarter. Dr. Ghosh can be reached by e-mail at Subir.ghosh@ucr.edu. You may also contact me for any enrollment assistance at (951) 827-4716.



1ST DIRECT DEPOSIT FORM:

I encourage you to sign up for direct deposit to have your fellowship stipends, financial aid or any other student refunds deposited electronically to your personal bank or credit union account.

You can apply for direct deposit via GROWL: <http://ucribm.ucr.edu/Paws/PAWS.html>. It's free, fast, and reliable. If you choose not to do a direct deposit, checks will be mailed to your billing address, therefore it is important to **update your mailing address through GROWL**. You will not be able to pick up your check in the Student Business Services office.

2ND DIRECT DEPOSIT FORM:

If your financial award package includes a TA/GSR salary appointment in the first year, you will need to complete a set of personnel forms in your department's payroll office. Otherwise the payroll forms can be completed at the end of your first year. The direct deposit takes effect one month after you've signed up in payroll.



PARKING: Purchase parking permits on-line at: <http://www.parking.ucr.edu/>



ARRIVING ON CAMPUS:

Plan to arrive in Riverside no later than **September 15th**. The campus is open from **8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday** and will be closed on **Labor Day**, Monday, Sept. 7th. Please contact me to arrange our first meeting.

INSTRUCTION BEGINS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2009

I would suggest bringing enough money to pay for move-in costs for housing and other expenses. We estimate that your initial move-in expenses will be between \$1,500 and \$2,000. This will allow you to establish a residence and support yourself until your first funding check is issued, which will be on October 1st.



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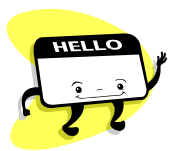
Graduate Division Orientation – A mandatory new graduate student orientation is scheduled for *Friday, September 18th*.

Program Welcome Orientation – **TBA**, you will receive additional information as soon as the date is confirmed.



MEDICAL INSURANCE:

All students are required to have medical insurance. If you received funding support through a fellowship, you will automatically be enrolled in a UCR policy and the fee for the insurance is included in your quarterly fee statement. If you have your own medical insurance and want to cancel the campus policy, you must apply for a waiver immediately. You will need to show proof of medical insurance from any outside agency that meets UCR coverage requirements. For any questions regarding the waiver policy contact the Student Insurance Office at (951) 827-5683, or e-mail carla.short@ucr.edu. You can find information on health insurance and what it covers at: <http://campushealth.ucr.edu>.



CAMPUS ID CARDS:

The UCR Card Office is located inside the University Highlander Union Building (HUB), Suite 249 and is open from 9:00am to 4:00pm, Monday – Friday, for a fee of \$25. Bring a valid form of ID, such as a driver's license or passport. Your UCR card is your campus ID and can also be used as a debit card for on and off campus participating restaurants and ride the RTA bus line to ride for free. It is also your Library Card. The cost of your card is billed directly to your campus student account, so you do not need to bring cash. <http://ucrcard.ucr.edu/>



CAMPUS SAFETY:

Visit this site to review the campus safety services and tools for all students, including the campus sophisticated emergency notification system.

<http://www.ucr.edu/parents/safety.html>



TRANSPORTATION:

Ontario Airport is located about 20 miles from campus; Los Angeles International Airport is about 68 miles.

A. SUPER SHUTTLE (800) BLUE-VAN

Super Shuttle provides a 24-hour service directly from LAX or Ontario Airports to Riverside.

B. There is a bus service from LAX that takes you to Union Station in Downtown Los Angeles. At Union Station you can transfer to the Riverside Metrolink Train. This bus service from LAX is runs every hour non-stop to downtown Los Angeles Union Station. However, the Metrolink Riverside Line has a limited schedule. Please inquire at the airport for their services. Metrolink's web site is:

<http://www.metrolinktrains.com/>

C. Campus Transportation: click on <http://www.parking.ucr.edu/> and go to 'Services, Alternative Transportation' where you will find information on:

- Campus Highlander Shuttle
- Trolley Express
- RTA (Rapid Transit Agency) local Riverside bus line
- Metrolink (Southern California Railway System) – easy access to Los Angeles, The Beaches and San Diego.
- Carpooling.
- Undergraduate Alternative Transportation Programs.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at (951) 827-4716. Looking forward to seeing you this fall!

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