What’s happening Week 6?

Attacking the AMCAS: How to Apply to Medical School Workshop
Are you applying, or thinking about applying, to medical school? Are you dreading applying to medical school? This 90-minute workshop hosted by College Academic Counseling ASK Peer Counseling in partnership with AMSA, will help you navigate the entire process! Attendees will learn the in’s and out’s about AMCAS, the application for MD schools. Learn more about putting together your activities statements, how to enter your UCLA classes into the application, asking for and submitting letters of recommendation, writing your personal statement, and how to budget for the entire process! This workshop is intended for juniors and seniors who are currently preparing their AMCAS applications or will be applying in the next year. The workshop will occur Tuesday, May 8th from 6-8pm in Boelter 2444. RSVP on MyUCLA!

Premed 101: Guide to being a Premed at UCLA Workshop
Interested in medicine, but do not know where to start? Attend a 1-hour workshop hosted by College Academic Counseling ASK Peer Counselors to learn about the medical school admissions criteria, required prerequisite coursework, MCAT, pre-health resources on campus, and more. The workshop is designed to help any and all current UCLA undergraduate students in navigating the path of being a Premed at UCLA! Whether you’re looking to get a head start or just wanting to learn more about the steps to take to pursue a career in medicine, this workshop is for you! The workshop will take place on Thursday, May 10th from 5-6pm at A-316 Murphy Hall.

English Marathon Reading
You’re invited to the 2018 Marathon Reading, presented by the UCLA English department and Friends of English! For a full day, UCLA students and faculty will team up with distinguished guests to read Charlotte Brontë’s Jane Eyre and Jean Rhys’ Wide Sargasso Sea relay-style, for an audience. Discussions, performances, and other fun breaks will be planned throughout the day. This fantastic event will bring together people across the UCLA campus and wider Los Angeles area to celebrate literature and enhance UCLA’s presence in the community. The 2018 Marathon Reading will occur on Tuesday, May 8th in the Powell Library Courtyard. RSVP for the event here.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND DEADLINES

FRIDAY, MAY 11 (Week 6)
• Last day for undergraduates to change grading basis with per-class fee on optional P/NP courses through MyUCLA

FRIDAY, MAY 18 (Week 7)
• Last day to drop nonimpacted classes (Letters and Science undergraduates) with transcript notation and per-class fee through MyUCLA

MONDAY, MAY 28 (Week 9)
• Memorial Day Holiday

FRIDAY, JUNE 8 (Week 10)
• Instruction ends
• Last day to drop nonimpacted classes by petition with instructor approval, per-class fee, and transcript notation
• Last day to withdraw from the current term

CAC Advising Hours & Locations

ASK Peer Counselors
ASK Web Lab, A316 Murphy Hall M-F 10AM-3PM
Registrar, 1113 Murphy Hall M-F 10AM-3PM
Royce Quad M-F 10AM-2PM
Court of Sciences M-F 11AM-2PM
Campbell/Bunch MT 11AM-2PM
Transfer Center, 128 Kerckhoff T 11AM-2PM
Covel Dining Hall T 5PM-8PM
De Neve Dining Hall M 5PM-8PM

College Academic Mentors (CAM)
A316 Murphy Hall, Window 1 M-F 8:30AM-4:30PM
CAM On The Hill (DeNeve) M-Th 3PM-8PM

College Counselors
A316 Murphy Hall, Window 2 M-F 8:30AM-4:30PM
Taking Courses Pass/No Pass

As the deadline for changing the grading basis of a course fast approaches (Friday of Week 6), we at College Academic Counseling have compiled all the information you need to know about taking a class pass/no pass!

What is Pass/No Pass?
The Pass/No Pass grading option is designed to give students the opportunity to explore areas of academic interest outside your area of expertise without the risk of jeopardizing your GPA.

Eligibility for Pass/No Pass
You must be in good academic standing (2.0 cumulative GPA and 2.0 GPA during the previous term). Students on Probation or who are Subject to Dismissal are not eligible to take classes pass/no pass.

How many units of Pass/No Pass can I take each quarter?
Provided that you are in good academic standing, you may take up to 5 units pass/no pass each quarter. However, if you did not take any classes pass/no pass during a quarter you were eligible to do so, you are eligible to take up to 10 units pass/no pass the following quarter.

Equivalent Letter Grades for Pass/No Pass
To receive a Pass and units towards graduation, you must earn a C or better in the class. A C- or below will result in a No Pass and no units will be applied towards graduation.

Limits on Pass/No Pass
Any classes taken as preparation for the major or for the major itself cannot be taken Pass/No Pass. Courses taken for a minor may not be taken Pass/No Pass. Additionally, courses taken to satisfy Entry Level Writing, Writing I, Writing II, Quantitative Reasoning, or Diversity requirements may not be taken Pass/No Pass. When in doubt about whether a certain course may be taken Pass/No Pass, consult with your departmental or college counselor.

When is the last day to change to Pass/No Pass?
The last day to change the grading basis of a class with a fee on MyUCLA is Friday of Week 6 (February 16). No signatures or petitions are needed up to this date. There is a per-class fee for changing the grading basis of a class past Week 3 ($5 per class). After Friday of Week 6, you must submit a Late Change of Credit Detail Petition to your counseling unit. Keep in mind that these petitions are very difficult to get approved. Please note that the Pass/No Pass grading option was created to allow students explore different areas of academic interest. This grading option is not intended to cover circumstances as poor performance, superior performance, poor judgment, change of major, or illness. The grading option was also not meant to be reversible late in the quarter to allow a student who has performed well to take advantage of a good grade and boost one’s GPA.

GRADUATION TIPS: CAPS, GOWNS, AND CORDS

In keeping with the forthcoming Commencement celebrations, this quarter the Conduits column will feature graduation tips! For all of your commencement concerns, read each week’s edition of The Connection to stay up-to-date on the latest commencement news. Even if you’re not a graduating senior this year, knowing these graduation tidbits will be helpful.

Regalia, caps, gowns, announcements, diploma frames, and graduation gifts can all be purchased online at www.uclastore.com by clicking on the Grad Etc. link. Please visit the UCLA Store - Graduation Etc. for price lists, information, and ordering. Announcements are available for pick up at Grad Etc. (A Level of Ackerman) 2 weeks from the date of purchase. Everything, other than announcements, will be available for pick up during distribution in the Textbook area of A Level of Ackerman beginning May 29th, 2018. If you’d like to have professional pictures taken, senior portrait appointments are still available at the Campus Photo Studio (310) 206-8433. Graduating with honors? Honor cords are picked up in the Distribution area starting June 4th. Simply walk up to the counter and ask for cord pick up. They will find you on the list and sell you the cords. Following your ceremony, you can choose to keep your cords or return them within a week for a full refund.