

Welcome to UC Riverside and The English Graduate Program!

We are excited to have you join our community of scholars! The areas listed below will attempt to answer most questions, help with the transition to UCR, prepare for enrollment, orientation and campus life.

Steps to Take After You SIR....

Setup Your UCR Email Account:

To activate your new student **R'Mail account**, you will need the ID/NetID indicated on your post admissions email/letter to begin receiving important campus and graduate program information. The **R'Web portal** is where you'll enroll, review student financial account information, make payments, update contact information, setup direct deposit for non-payroll financial awards, and more!

Send Official Transcripts:

Official transcripts are required from all institutions you have attended. Please ensure these are sent prior to the first day of classes to avoid any registration holds. While the campus is closed, e-transcripts can be sent directly from your institution(s) to Graduate Division at Grad.Div@ucr.edu.

Housing:

If you'd like to be in contact with current graduate students to find a roommate or rent a room, contact Perla Fabelo, who will gladly connect you with the student list serve. Below are additional places to find on and off campus housing:

- a. **[UCR Housing Services](#)**
- b. **[Riverside Apartment Finder](#)**
- c. **[Zillow](#)**

For more information about the City of Riverside, visit Riverside **[Neighborhoods](#)**.

Complete the online Statement of Legal Residence (SLR):

All incoming students are required to file a Statement of Legal Residence (SLR) . The form can be found online at: statementoflegalresidence.ucr.edu. Any residency questions can be sent to Dominic Laureano, Residency and Fee Coordinator at Reshelp@ucr.edu.

Sign-Up for the Fellowship Direct Deposit:

- **1ST DIRECT DEPOSIT FORM:**

Sign-up for direct deposit to have your fellowship stipends, financial aid or any other student refunds deposited electronically into your personal bank or credit union account. Enroll for direct deposit via R'Web. Learn more on how to enroll by visiting the [Student Business Services webpage](#).

Things to Do Later this Summer...

Registration

**The New Student Open Enrollment Windows are August 24-28 and
September 10 to October 16, 2020**

- Need help? Contact Professor Andrea Denny-Brown (after August 1st) or Perla Fabelo for guidance on course enrollment.
- Fall schedule will be available after May 7, 2020.
- Review course descriptions in the Schedule of Classes or visit the [English Graduate Seminar Site](#).
- Register for classes online via R'Web. For instructions visit the Registrar's Office website.
- New graduate students are required to take ENGL200, "Introduction to Graduate Study", during the fall quarter.
- View the Academic Calendar for enrollment and fee deadlines.
- For enrollment assistance, contact Perla Fabelo .

Note: International Students will be able to enroll after clearing any Graduate Division holds and have checked-in with the [International Students and Scholars Office](#).

Sign-Up for Payroll Direct Deposit:

- **2ND DIRECT DEPOSIT FORM (TA Employment Payroll)** If your financial award package includes a TA appointment in the first year, an additional direct deposit form will need to be completed. The quarter before the first employment appointment begins, you'll be scheduled to complete the payroll onboarding forms. Direct deposits will take effect one month after signing up for payroll.

GLACIER (International Students Only):

International students will receive information on GLACIER during the summer. International students are required to complete the tax withholding documents for fellowship stipends to disburse. Any questions regarding this process while completing these documents can contact [Elena Valdez](#) in Accounting.

International Students:

The International Student Resource Center provides assistance and information for incoming students as well as current students. We encourage you to visit their site at:

<https://international.ucr.edu/students>

Fall Orientations

Here are a series of orientation events for new graduate students:

- ***Graduate Division Orientation (mandatory for all new graduate students)***
 - TBA (an e-mail will be sent out as soon as the date is announced)
- ***Graduate Student Mentorship Program –***
 - TBA (an e-mail will be sent out as soon as the date is announced)
- ***Teaching Assistant Orientation (mandatory for all new students that will TA in their first year - TA's choose 1 day)***
 - TBA (an e-mail will be sent out as soon as the date is announced)
- ***English Graduate Program Welcome Orientation –***
 - The English Graduate Program Orientation will be held on or shortly after September 28th, when fall quarter officially begins. Specific date and time TBA.

Other Campus Information

Medical Insurance:

The Fellowship award includes medical insurance. Students will automatically be enrolled in a UCR policy and the fee for the insurance is included in the quarterly fee statement. Students that want to keep their own medical insurance will need to cancel UCR's policy by applying for a waiver as soon as possible. Any questions, please contact the Student Health Services.

Campus Id Cards:

Visit **Card Services** to find out how you can get your UCR Student ID card!

Campus Safety:

Learn more about [Campus Safety Services](#) and tools for all students online.

Fellowship Awards:

The campus offers several awards for graduate students during the academic year and I would encourage you to apply when the call comes out.

- Graduate Dean Dissertation Research Grants
- Chancellor's Dissertation Year Grants
- Graduate Research and Mentorship Fellowships
- Graduate Student Association Research Conference Awards

To learn more, visit this web site <https://graduate.ucr.edu/fellowships-awards-and-grants>

Transportation & Parking Services (TAPS):

Visit Campus [Transportation & Parking Services](#) for:

- Parking Permits.
 - RTA (Rapid Transit Agency) local Riverside bus line. Bus passes are free for UCR students.
 - Metrolink (Southern California Commuter Train) - easy access to Los Angeles, Beaches and San Diego
 - Carpool.
 - Other Alternative Transportation Programs.
- If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact [TAPS](#).

If arriving at Los Angeles International Airport, there is a bus service from LAX that will take you to Downtown Los Angeles Union Train Station. From Union Station, take the Metrolink Riverside commuter train to Downtown Riverside. The Metrolink Riverside Line has a limited schedule, so please check [Metrolink](#) for their schedule to plan your trip to UCR. Otherwise, take Uber/Lift to Riverside.

Contact Professor [Andrea Denny-Brown](#) or [Perla Fabelo](#) for any questions.

Have wonderful summer, stay safe and we look forward to having you join the program this fall!