

UC STUDENT REGENT RECRUITMENT Q&A
TO BE THE 2023-24 STUDENT REGENT

Eligibility

Q: Can an international student/STEM major/undocumented student be a student regent?

A: Yes, all current students are eligible.

Q: Are current high school seniors/future transfer students/prospective students eligible?

A: No, you must be enrolled at a UC campus at the time of application.

Q: If I am graduating in spring/summer 2023 am I eligible to apply?

A: This is a two-year commitment. In 2022-23 the person selected will serve as Regent-designate. In 2023-24 they will be the voting Regent.

Q: I am a UC senior and am planning on going to graduate school at UC. Can I apply?

A: Yes, because you will know if you have been accepted into a UC graduate program while the selection process is still underway. If you are not admitted, your application will not be considered further.

Application

Q: Can you describe the application process?

A: Submit an application, along with a resume and personal statement by Tuesday, March 22. A panel of students will review the applications and select 6 to 8 candidates to be interviewed by the External Vice Presidents of UCSA and UCGPC in early April. They will select 3 -4 students to be interviewed by a special committee of the Regents in early May, which will choose one nominee to recommend to the full Board of Regents. The entire Board votes to confirm the candidate in July and the term as student Regent-designate begins immediately.

Q: What are they specifically looking for in applicants/the application?

A: The application should describe the skills and experience that you have that would make you effective in the position. It should demonstrate knowledge of the issues facing the University and convey your passion and commitment to those issues. There are no right answers; past Student Regents have had a range of backgrounds and interests.

Q: Is participation in other clubs/organizations required in order to apply?

A: No, but strong candidates have an understanding of major issues facing students and the University and record of advocacy and demonstrated commitment to the welfare of fellow students.

Role

Q: What will the responsibilities be?

A: The Student Regent is a trustee of the University for all Californians. Like all Regents, the Student Regent must prepare for and attend Board and Committee meetings, visit campuses and participate on working groups when needed. In addition, the Student Regents meet with the student associations and other student groups in order to gather information to reflect the broad range of student experience.

Tuition Waiver/Stipend

Q: If I qualify for the Blue and Gold Opportunity Plan would I be able to receive any other type of financial aid such as help with loans for housing or would this only cover tuition costs?

A: The Office of the Regents provides tuition and fees and a stipend that will equal the total cost of attendance for the program the student is enrolled in, as estimated by the campus. The amount will vary depending on whether the student is an undergraduate, graduate or professional student and on whether the student receives financial aid. The purpose of the tuition and stipend is to ensure that the opportunity is open to all students, regardless of socioeconomic status.

Other Questions

Q: Is this the same as the Regents Scholarship?

A: No. The Regents Scholarship is a regular scholarship. The Student Regent is a full, participating member of the Board of Regents, UC's governing board.