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# Application for 2025-26 Student Regent University of California

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## The Student Regent

The Student Regent is a full voting member of the Board of Regents of the University of California, attending all meetings of the Board and its Committees and serving a one-year term commencing July 1, 2024. The Student Regent serves as a trustee on behalf of the people of the State of California while bringing the voice of the students to the Board. From the time of appointment as a Student Regent in July 2024, but prior to the commencement of service as a member of the Board in July 2025, the appointee holds the title Regent-designate and is invited to participate in all meetings of the Board and of its Committees, but without a vote.

## The Regents of the University of California

The Organic Act of 1868 established the University of California and entrusted its organization and governance and legal and corporate authority to an independent corporation, The Regents of the University of California. California voters amended the State Constitution in November 1974 to provide the Regents with the option of appointing a student to serve as a member on the Board of Regents. Every year since 1975, a University student has served as a member of the Board of Regents. The Board of Regents appoints the Student Regent on the recommendation of its Special Committee to Select a Student Regent. The Board of Regents consists of 26 members: 18 are appointed by the Governor for 12-year terms; one is the student appointed by the Regents to a one-year term; and seven, including the President of the University, are ex officio members. The State Constitution provides that Regents shall be persons broadly reflective of the economic, cultural, and social diversity of the State. The Board of Regents operates through eight standing committees and a varying number of subcommittees and special committees. The Board and its Committees meet six times a year, every other month. Some committees hold off-cycle meetings.

## Duties of The Regents

The Regents establish policy in areas such as long-range planning, student fees, admissions, and compensation. The duties of The Regents include overseeing the financial management of the University, as well as appointing the President of the University, the ten campus Chancellors, and the Officers of the Regents.

The Regents have delegated a broad range of authority and responsibility to the President of the University and have delegated authority to the faculty in matters relating to educational programs including the establishment and supervision of all courses and curricula.

## Qualifications

At the time of application, a candidate for Student Regent must be an undergraduate, graduate, or professional student in good standing at one of the University's ten campuses. During the time a Student Regent serves as a Regent-designate and as a Regent, the student must be enrolled as a student in good standing at a campus of the University of California for each regular term. The Student Regent may not simultaneously serve in any appointed or elected student government position or on the Board of Directors of the University of California Student Association. The Student Regent is not eligible for reappointment to the position.

## Remuneration

The Student Regent and Regent-designate are reimbursed for expenses incurred for attendance at meetings of the Board and its Committees. If eligible in accordance with State and federal law, they will receive a tuition and fee waiver equivalent to their total University fees and tuition or for any portion of tuition and fees that are not covered by financial aid during the academic years in which they serve as Regent-designate and Regent. In addition, the student Regent and Regent-designate shall receive a scholarship, if eligible in accordance with State and federal law. At the time of appointment, the Student Regent and Regent-designate are provided with a furnished, equipped office at their home campus.

**For additional information about the Board of Regents, see  
<http://regents.universityofcalifornia.edu/>**

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# Student Regent Selection and Application Process

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## Student Regent Selection Process

Each application for student Regent will be reviewed by a nominating commission of ten students, each from a different campus, selected by the presidents of the campus student governments. The Nominating Commission may choose to interview candidates by phone or request additional information to help them decide which candidates to recommend to the UCSA/UCGPC interview panel.

The UCSA/UCGPC panel, comprising ten representatives of the undergraduate student association and ten representatives of the graduate student association (External Vice Presidents or their designees), will interview the candidates identified by the nominating commission. These candidates will be interviewed on Saturday, May 4, 2024. References named by the applicants will be asked to submit letters of recommendation prior to the interview.

The UCSA/UCGPC interview panel will select three to four finalists whose names are forwarded to the Secretary and Chief of Staff to the Regents. The finalists' Chancellors will be contacted to comment on their qualifications.

The finalists will be interviewed later in May by the Regents' Special Committee to Select a Student Regent, which will recommend appointment by the Board of Regents at its July 2024 meeting.

Applicants can submit a request for reimbursement to the Office of the Secretary and Chief of Staff for in-state mileage or in-state airfare to the interviews, as appropriate.

## Selection Timeline

Application due via email	Monday, March 11, 2024
Applications reviewed by Nominating Commission	April 2024
References contacted by the Secretary and Chief of Staff to the Regents	Early April 2024
Interviews conducted by UCSA/UCGPC	Saturday, May 4, 2024
Finalists interviewed by the Regents' Special Committee to Select a Student Regent	May 2024
Student Regent Appointed by the Board of Regents	July 2024

**Application Form for  
2025-26 Student Regent  
Deadline: March 11, 2024**

**Personal Information**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Campus \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_

4. Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

5. Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

7. Please check your class standing for spring term 2024:

FRESHMAN  SOPHOMORE  JUNIOR  SENIOR  GRADUATE  PROFESSIONAL

8. Do you intend to be enrolled as a student at the University of California continuously through the academic year during the term of service for the position for which you are applying?  Yes  No

9. How did you hear about the opportunity?  Campus announcement  Facebook  Instagram  Other

10. Please list all colleges or universities you have attended, including UC; indicate the dates you attended and any degrees you were awarded.

Institution attended	Dates attended	Degrees
a. _____		
b. _____		
c. _____		

11. Please list below the names, titles, and email addresses of three references. Please notify your references at the time you submit this application that, if you are selected to be interviewed for Student Regent, they will be asked in early April to submit a letter of reference by mid-April 2024.

NAME	TITLE	EMAIL ADDRESS
1. _____		
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2. _____		
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3. _____		
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15. Prepare a statement which addresses the following issues. (Your essay should be a maximum of four pages, doubled-spaced or approximately 1000 words):

- a. Identify the challenge that you see as most significant for the University and describe how you would address this issue.
- b. Describe any school or community service, work, personal or leadership experiences you have had that are relevant to the student Regent position.

16. *I certify that, according to the regulations and standards of my campus, I am not under any form of academic program or disciplinary sanction. I waive my privacy rights under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act for the limited purpose of authorizing the Office of the Secretary and Chief of Staff to the Regents to verify my academic and disciplinary standing with the University Registrar on my campus. I understand that the Regents, in consultation with the Office of General Counsel, will make a determination as to whether I am qualified to hold the position based on the nature and circumstances of the information received and its relevancy to the position. I understand that University policies prohibit discrimination of any kind based on race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, and other protected classes based on personal characteristics, and also prohibit sexual harassment and sexual violence. If appointed as a Regent, I understand that I must be enrolled at one of the University's ten campuses and remain in good academic and disciplinary standing throughout my service and will keep sensitive information confidential. I promise to uphold the values and mission of the University and serve as a trustee of the University of California on behalf of the people of the State of California.*

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## Application Process

Please be sure you have answered all the questions on the application form above. **Do not include letters of recommendation** with your application; they may be requested later. Please submit: (1) the completed application; (2) a current resumé; and (3) the essay, preferably in a single pdf, no later than midnight on **Monday, March 11, 2024**.

Submit all materials via email to: [Clare.Sheridan@ucop.edu](mailto:Clare.Sheridan@ucop.edu), Regents Analyst

AND to the Student Regent Coordinator on your campus:

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