To be adopted:

Transfer Criteria for the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences

Selection Criteria — Transfer Applicants

UCR attempts to accommodate as many qualified students from other universities and colleges as possible, particularly as juniors and seniors. In addition to meeting minimum UC eligibility requirements, transfer students will be selected on the basis of academic preparation as assessed by their GPA in all transferrable coursework and completion of required major preparatory coursework where applicable. Applicants with 120 quarter units or more are also subject to screening beyond the minimum requirements for transfer students.

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No change

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A. Transfers must meet the minimum GPA requirement of the College and the Major (currently 2.7, but can be adjusted upward for selectivity by the College or Majors).

B. Transfer Applicants must meet two of the three curricular preparation requirements below.

1) Math 9A and 9B or equivalent
2) Two Semesters of a single Lab-based Science discipline (e.g. Chemistry or Biology or Physics).
3) The equivalent of Math 9C plus one semester of Vector Calculus or Linear Algebra.

Individual Majors can (and do) set their particular curricular requirements to be more rigorous.
Applicants for majors in Biochemistry; Biology; Cell, Molecular and Developmental Biology; Chemistry; Microbiology; and Physics must have completed one-year course sequences in three specified areas of science and mathematics. Applicants to the Plant Biology major must have completed a one-year sequence in lower-division General Chemistry and course work equivalent to BIOL 005A, BIOL 05AL, and BIOL 005B. See Admission to Majors under the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences section of this catalog. For further information call Student Academic Affairs at (951) 827-7294.

Justification:
Many undergraduate majors in CNAS, including its largest, already have in existence major-specific curricular preparation and GPA criteria for transfers that go far beyond the campus’ minimum 2.5 GPA requirement. In an effort to insure uniform transfer quality and selectivity across the remaining majors in CNAS, the college’s executive committee has developed and approved a baseline set of minimum transfer admissions criteria. These are designed to insure adequate preparation and reasonable time-to-degree for transfers in all CNAS majors. Individual majors still have the freedom to propose major-specific transfer criteria and cumulative GPA minima that are more rigorous, but not less rigorous, than the college’s baseline criteria. The CNAS faculty approved these baseline transfer criteria in Spring of 2012.

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APPROVALS:
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