

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ

NEW STUDENT MAJOR ADVISING SUMMARY FOR 2018-2019 TRANSFER STUDENTS

Students are admitted to UCSC with a "proposed major" in most cases, and later petition to officially declare the major. Admission to UCSC does not guarantee acceptance into a particular major. Junior transfer students must be officially declared in a major by the deadline in their second quarter of enrollment.

**Major: ART & DESIGN: GAMES & PLAYABLE MEDIA**

Qualification requirements and/or prerequisites for the major:

Students must complete the following classes with a grade of C (2.0) or better to declare the major:

ARTG 80I: *Foundations of Play*  
ARTG 80H: *History of Digital Games*  
CMPM 80K: *Foundation of Video Game Design*  
CMPS 12B/M: *Introduction to Data Structures/Laboratory\**

*\*Please note that CMPS 12B/M has Computer Science and Mathematics prerequisites, but most incoming junior transfers should have this requirement (or its prerequisites) completed before arriving at UCSC.*

Students can take any of the different prerequisite pathways and qualify for the AGPM major.

Transfer students who intend to pursue this major should do the following prior to the beginning of their first term...

Complete programming courses at your community college that are equivalent to Computer Science 12B/M at UCSC. Furthermore, CMPM 80K and ARTG 80I can be taken during the summer before you begin. If you take these courses as part of the Summer Academy, you will be able to have more flexibility for electives during the year

...and should take these courses their first term:

Students who are accepted as Junior Transfers for AGPM will be reserved spaces in the following courses:

ARTG 80G: *Visual Communication and Interaction Design*  
ARTG 80I: *Foundations of Play*  
ARTG 80H: *History of Digital Games*

Skills important for success in this major:

Ability to think creatively, systematically, and critically about games and other forms of art, media, and technology. Ability to work collaboratively with diverse teams to realize complete projects.

Links to More Information:

<https://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/> (general info)  
<https://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/> (major requirements, course descriptions, etc.)  
<https://games.arts.ucsc.edu/> junior-transfers (program website)

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