

OUR MISSION

The mission of the School University Partnership Initiative is to connect the extraordinary resources of the university with the talents and vision of the K-12 education community to address the pressing needs of K-12 students, teachers and schools while providing opportunities for undergraduate student professional development.

The targeted goals are two fold:

- To increase the number and quality of K-12 students who meet UC eligibility requirements. This targeted opportunity will be available to **ALL** students, and provide additional opportunities and benefits for students, teachers and the community.
- To enhance the capabilities of undergraduate students so that they become community conscious professionals who stay motivated toward college degree completion.

The scope of the partnership encompasses activities that provide direct services to K-12 students, teachers and administrators; curricular realignment of high school courses with UC requirements; and mentoring and financial assistance to undergraduate students.



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PROGRAM

This initiative includes:

Activities that focus K-12 students on college eligibility goals and provides them with a 'road map' and 'roadside assistance' for the journey. Options include clarification of A-G requirements, standardized test preparation, access to college mentors and tutors, Subject A (English) and Mathematics Diagnostic Test assistance, Summer Academies, links to UCR technology, college tours and assistance with financial aid information.

Support for collaborative efforts between teachers, administrators and UCR faculty to develop:

- stronger contemporary content knowledge.
- an interface of academic content with pedagogy for students of varying abilities.
- the support systems necessary for best practices in teaching. Activities include but are not limited to: Summer Academies, UC Extension Certificate programs, links to UC technology, content-based mini courses and in-services provided by UC faculty/staff, and links with ongoing or to be developed research efforts.

Problem solving with school districts strategies for elimination of roadblocks to student completion of UC/CSU A-G requirements, honors courses and AP courses. Set goals for increasing academic rigor of all courses, particularly in areas of mathematics and English, and writing across the curriculum. Align content for Subject A and Mathematics Diagnostic Placement Exams.

Apprenticeships to undergraduates which expand written and oral communication skills through interactions with K-12 personnel in low performing, high minority schools and their surrounding communities. An outcome will be the mastery of good citizenship attributes.



APPRENTICESHIPS

College students who are in good academic standing may apply for an apprenticeship.

Selected Apprentices will:

- Attend mandatory orientation program.
- Provide 35-50 hours of service per quarter motivating/tutoring/helping young people prepare for college.
- Participate in meeting/seminars designed to enhance the SUP initiative.



UNDERGRADUATE BENEFITS

\$25.00 per hour for focused school and/or community efforts.

Developing expert oral and written communication skills.

Learning and exercising good citizen behaviors.

Creating professional networks for future success.

Materials and supplies which will enhance their apprenticeship experience.

