Plan your future at UNC Charlotte.
Junior year marks a turning point. This is because for most students and families, it’s when college planning activities kick into high gear. It’s an important time to take key steps toward reaching your future goals. UNC Charlotte has compiled this step-by-step checklist so you know what you need to do and when you need to do it to reach your goals.
**Summer before Junior Year**

Take a virtual campus tour and watch live or pre-recorded information sessions at admissions.uncc.edu.

Practice taking the SAT and/or ACT before the actual test date. You’ll find practice tests for the SAT at khanacademy.org, or the ACT at act.org.

Create a Future 49er Portal account at admissions.uncc.edu to receive event invitations and important admission information.

**Tip**

*Summers count! We understand that COVID-19 has likely impacted your ability to participate in summer programs. However, finding a way to give back to your community or exploring career options can make your college application stand out from those of your peers.*

**Fall of Junior Year**

Discuss the college search process with your family and high school counselor.

Explore college majors and career paths. You might be surprised by the variety of majors that can prepare you for an ideal job.

Register to take the SAT or ACT. Request that your scores be sent to UNC Charlotte. SAT code: 5105, ACT code: 3163. *(Ask your counselor if you are eligible for a test registration fee waiver.)*

Attend college fairs (or virtual admission events) in your area. Ask questions! Have some prepared before attending the program. *(We’ve given you a few on the right!)*

**Tip**

*Keep in mind that during the admission review, colleges will only see your first 3 years of high school on your transcript so it is important to perform well during all 3 years, and of course, your senior year too!*

**Spring of Junior Year**

Take the SAT and ACT. Whether you are taking one test for the first time or retaking a test, a second test attempt often leads to a higher score.

Visit UNC Charlotte! Look for open house and campus visit events on our website. Event options are posted at admissions.uncc.edu/visit.

Plan your senior year carefully, reviewing college admission requirements and your proposed course schedule. Consider AP or honors courses but do not overload.
Summer before Senior Year

Come for a summer visit! If you haven’t had the chance to visit us in person, sign up for an information session and campus tour.

Take the SAT or ACT. Request that your scores be sent to UNC Charlotte.

Fall of Senior Year

Apply for admission through the Future 49er Portal, the Common App, or CFNC. Our application opens August 1!

Complete your admission application by our Early Action Deadline, Nov 1. (Application, fee or fee waiver, official high school transcript and at least one self-reported test score.)

Request to have your official high school transcript sent to us.

Review application deadlines and requirements for the honors program. Learn more at honorscollege.uncc.edu.

Check with your school counselor to see when our admissions counselors might be visiting your school or area. Sign up to attend.

Register for an Explore UNC Charlotte (Open House) event. Typically, they are held twice in fall and twice in spring.

Spring of Senior Year

Apply for scholarships. Most deadlines are in February. You should not wait for an admission decision to apply. Learn more at scholarships.uncc.edu.

Monitor your application status in the Future 49er Portal. If you are admitted, review your next steps for enrollment and admitted student events at admissions.uncc.edu.

Tip

AP vs Honors - taking the higher levels of a subject shows initiative. Success in these courses is a good indicator for success in college. Check with your counselor to see if these courses are a good fit for you.

Tip

In order to be more competitive for college admission, students should exceed the minimum course requirements.
As the region’s leading urban research university, UNC Charlotte is a driving force of growth, discovery and innovation in Charlotte, North Carolina.

At UNC Charlotte, you’ll be introduced to caring faculty, explore groundbreaking research opportunities, and enjoy our hands-on approach to innovative learning.

Our large modern university with a small college feel, warm and sunny location, and outstanding academics are just a few reasons why students stake their claim at UNC Charlotte.

4 units of college prep English
4 units of math, including Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II and a class beyond Algebra II
3 units of science, including biological science, physical science and 1 laboratory course
2 units of social studies, including United States History
2 units of the same foreign language

GPA - 3.7-4.3 wtd | 3.3-3.8 unwtd*
SAT - 1110-1290*
ACT - 22-28*
* Middle 50% Range

When attending college fairs or meeting with admission counselors, try asking these questions...

What are the popular majors at your college?
What is campus life like?
What is the application review process at your college?
What does it cost per year to attend?
What sets you apart from other universities?

These questions are sure to get the conversation going and open the door for the college representatives to give you specific details about their colleges.