Transfer Checklist for a UC

- After completing the college assessment, meet with a Palomar College Counselor to review the requirements to transfer and develop and educational plan. Call 760 891 7511 for an appointment.
- 2. Discuss with your counselor what schools you are considering, when you would hope to transfer, what majors most interest you and strategies for meeting your goals. Plan to see a counselor at least once per semester to keep your plan updated. Maintaining regular contact with a counselor will keep you current and informed on any unforeseen changes that could affect your transfer plans (deadlines and transfer requirements do change periodically).
- Become familiar with the UC 7 course pattern or IGETC checklist and <u>www.assist.org</u> for detailed major information. These 2 lists will compose most of the classes you will be taking while at Palomar College. Your counselor will review the best option for completing your GE between the 7 course pattern versus IGETC.
- 4. Plan on completing the "7 course pattern" classes early in your Palomar experience. The 7 classes are:
 - English 100
 - English 202 or English 203 or Philosophy 115
 - One course from mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning:
 - BIOL 215, MATH 110, 120, 130, 135, 140, 141, 205, 206, 245, PSYC 205, OR SOC 205
 - 4 more courses to be selected from at least 2 of these subject areas: arts and humanities, social and behavioral sciences, and physical and biological sciences
 - Each of these classes must be completed with a "C" or better no later than the spring semester before transfer into a fall semester or quarter. For winter transfer these requirements must be completed the summer prior. Your Palomar assessment score, prior college coursework, or passed AP/IB exams will determine if you a ready or required to take these classes. Many students require lower level prerequisites and should plan on taking these as soon as possible if needed.
- 5. Students need to apply to transfer almost one year before entering a UC.
 - Fall transfer to a UC- apply November 1-November 30th the year prior Winter transfer to a UC- apply July 1-31st the summer prior (not every UC accepts mid-year transfers)
 - 60 UC level units are required by the end of the spring semester before a fall transfer or by the end of summer before the following winter quarter transfer. Most students will be in progress in the 60 UC level units at the time of application and likely planning some more. <u>Do not</u> wait to apply until 60 units are completed to apply as this will result in waiting 1-2 semesters to apply the next cycle.
 - Applications are completed online at www.universityofcalifornia.edu
- 6. Complete any additional applications or updates that are required. Some majors may require an independent application, portfolio or audition.

- 7. If you plan to live on campus in a dorm or apartment, submit a housing application soon after application. Not all UC have transfer housing but if they do the space will likely be limited.
- 8. Apply for financial aid. To receive priority consideration applications must be filed between January 1 and March 2 for the upcoming academic year. Go to www.fafsa.edu.gov/ to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on the web. Consider completing an application even if you do not think you will qualify. Completion of the FAFSA is necessary in the event you want or need to get a federal student loan and for many scholarships.
- 9. Consider applying for scholarships. Many students could qualify for scholarships but do not apply. Start by going to www.palomar.edu/fa/ soon after applying to UC.
- 10. Send original transcripts of all college level work according to the deadline established by the UC to which you applied.
- 11. Request to have your GE certified if you plan to use IGETC. See a Palomar Counselor first and then take the completed IGETC to Palomar College's Evaluations Office. Fall transfers need to request GE certification by July 1 and spring transfers by September 1st.
- 12. Once offered admission, be sure to submit an "Intent to Enroll" with the required deposit to the UC you plan to attend by the deadline indicated.