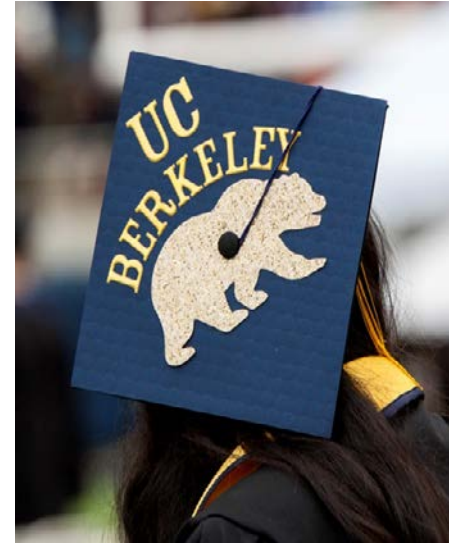


Welcome



Personal Insight
Prompts



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ONE UNIVERSITY, NINE CAMPUSES

How will
you decide?



Campus Locations



UC Berkeley

UC Davis

UC Irvine

UC Los Angeles

UC Merced

UC Riverside

UC San Diego

UC Santa Barbara

UC Santa Cruz

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**8 Prompts,
Choose 4**



**350 words
each**



**All prompts
are equal**



**Find your voice
and express it!**

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Let's view some advice to prepare you:

Tell us your story

How to answer those Personal Insight Prompts

Personal Insight Prompts

Writing Tips:

Select those that are most relevant to your experience and that best reflect your individual circumstances.

- **RELAX** Your responses can only add value to the application
- **START EARLY** Rewrite Rewrite and Rewrite

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Writing Tips:

This is a process, not a one-time chore.

- **PROOFREAD and EDIT** Make sure your writing is clear and free of big grammar or spelling errors.
- **GET FEEDBACK** Use your own words but get advice and suggestions from family, friends or teachers.

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Writing Tips:

This is about you, but the most compelling and vital you.

- **USE “I” and “MY” STATEMENTS** Let us get to know your personality, talents, accomplishments and fit on a UC campus.
- **BE PERSUASIVE** Use specific, concrete examples to support your points. Sell the good stuff!

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PROMPT #1 DESCRIBE AN EXAMPLE OF LEADERSHIP

- Leadership roles are more than a title, think mentoring
- Give specific achievements/outcomes
- It doesn't have to be epic, look for impact on others

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PROMPT #2 EXPRESS YOUR CREATIVE SIDE

- What creativity means to you
- Example(s) of what you have done with creativity
- Relation to intended major or campus activity

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Prompt #3 GREATEST TALENT or SKILL

- Describe it and how this is meaningful to you
- Natural ability or how you worked to develop it
- How you use it. Any benefit for others. Using it on campus.

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Prompt #4 EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY or BARRIER

- Anything that adds value to your experience or prep for UC
- Again, give specific achievements/outcomes
- For barriers, what you did to face it and how it shaped you

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Prompt #5 FACING SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGE

- Can be school, family, personal
- What it was and what you learned
- Do it yourself or with help

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Prompt #6 ACADEMIC SUBJECT THAT INSPIRES YOU

- What it is and what you have done to learn more
- What you have gained from it
- What you want from UC to expand your knowledge

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Prompt #7 MAKING A BETTER PLACE

- Home, school, team, club, community
- Your role, what got done, collaboration, partners
- Benefits to others, possible campus applications

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Prompt #8 WHAT MAKES YOU STAND OUT

- Last chance to toot your own horn
- Your point of view for why UC should want to select you
- New, compelling things for us to get to know you better

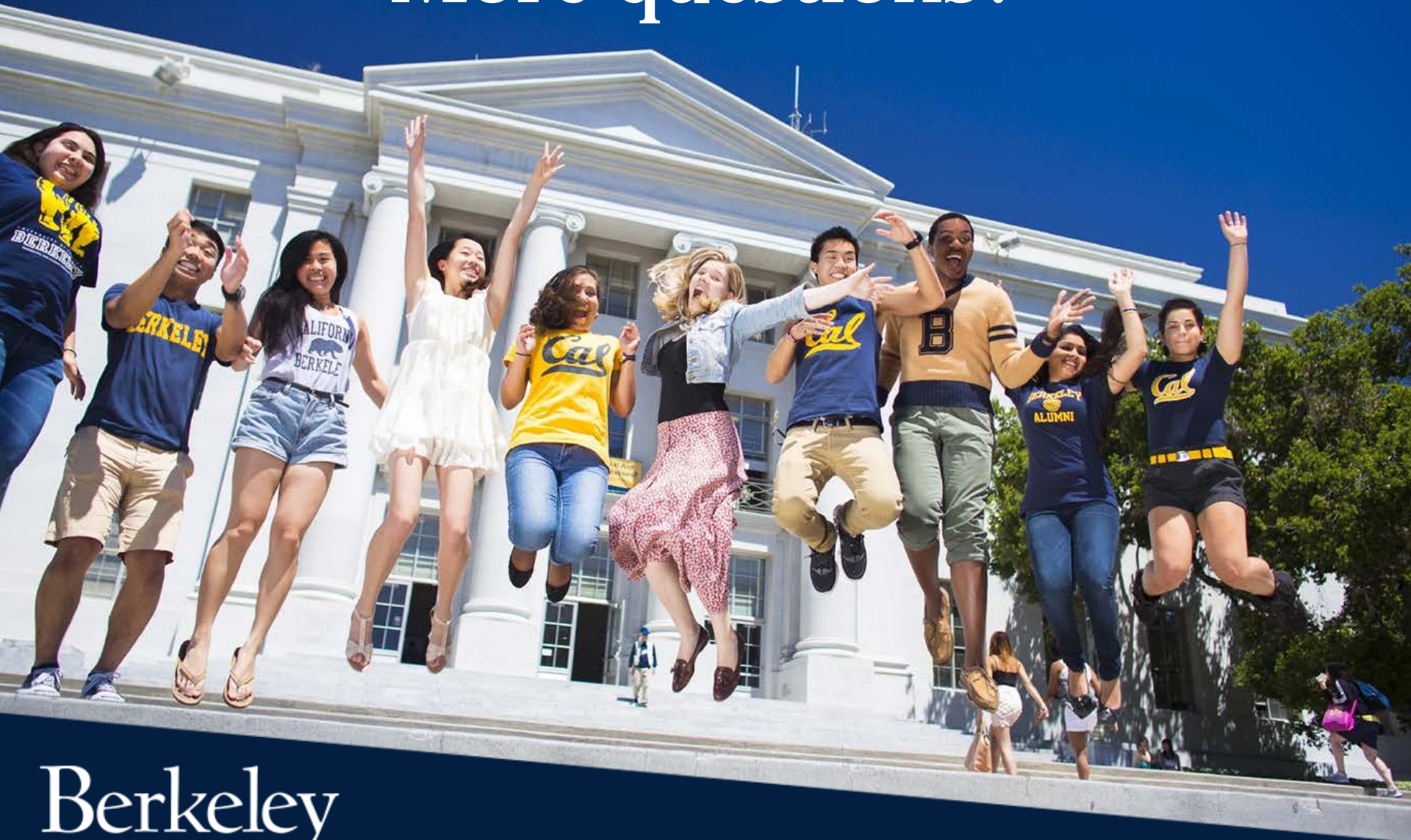
Personal Insight Questions

Closing points

Give us a feel for what you were able to do with what you had to work with

Show when you were generous with your time and talent

More questions?



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