Dear Colleagues,

We would like to alert you to a change in the major declaration process that will affect many community college students applying to the College of Letters and Science at UC Berkeley.

Beginning with FL 06 transfer admits, the College is imposing a unit ceiling on six “capped” majors:

**Cognitive Science**: For more information, contact Carol Snow at 642-2628 or via e-mail (casnow@berkeley.edu). [http://ls.berkeley.edu/ugis/cogsci/](http://ls.berkeley.edu/ugis/cogsci/)
*(Note: Cognitive Science is adhering to the unit cap for all students who apply to the major FL 04 and after.)*

**Computer Science**: For more information, contact Barbara Hightower at 642-7214 or via e-mail (bhtower@cs.berkeley.edu). [http://www.cs.berkeley.edu/](http://www.cs.berkeley.edu/)

**Economics**: For more information, contact Sandy Jaeger at 642-6674 or via e-mail (sandy@econ.berkeley.edu) [http://emlab.Berkeley.EDU/econ/ugrad/ugrad.shtml](http://emlab.Berkeley.EDU/econ/ugrad/ugrad.shtml)

**Mass Communications**: For more information, contact Marty Gaetjens at 642-2363 or via e-mail (sfyankee@berkeley.edu). [http://ls.berkeley.edu/ugis/masscomm/](http://ls.berkeley.edu/ugis/masscomm/)

**Psychology**: For more information, contact Jane Tupper at 643-8114 or via e-mail (jtupper@berkeley.edu). [http://psychology.berkeley.edu/](http://psychology.berkeley.edu/)

**Social Welfare**: For more information, contact Sherman Boyson at 642-4407 or via e-mail (boyson@berkeley.edu). [http://socialwelfare.berkeley.edu/undergrads/ugrad_index.htm](http://socialwelfare.berkeley.edu/undergrads/ugrad_index.htm)

This means that junior transfers (those with 60 or more units completed at the time of transfer to Berkeley) will be given one semester--their first on the Berkeley campus--to apply for these majors. Again, students must apply for their desired major during their first semester at Cal.

Please note that most of these majors have higher GPA requirements for admission, in addition to the unit cap. Students should be encouraged to contact the major adviser as early as possible in their college career.

This change has been made to encourage students to prepare for application to a major early in their college career. We are trying to prevent the phenomenon of undeclared seniors who continue to persist towards declaring a competitive major despite their inability to gain admission.

We appreciate your support as we implement these new guidelines. Please share this information broadly with students and with your colleagues. Any questions regarding this policy may be addressed to me, Lourdes Miranda, Director of Student Policy, at 510-642-9432 or lourdesm@berkeley.edu