UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Freshman applicants: Personal insight questions

Answer any 4 of the following 8 questions:

- 1. Describe an example of your leadership experience in which you have positively influenced others, helped resolve disputes, or contributed to group efforts over time.
- 2. Every person has a creative side, and it can be expressed in many ways: problem solving, original and innovative thinking, and artistically, to name a few. Describe how you express your creative side.
- 3. What would you say is your greatest talent or skill? How have you developed and demonstrated that talent over time?
- 4. Describe how you have taken advantage of a significant educational opportunity or worked to overcome an educational barrier you have faced.
- 5. Describe the most significant challenge you have faced and the steps you have taken to overcome this challenge. How has this challenge affected your academic achievement?
- 6. Think about an academic subject that inspires you. Describe how you have furthered this interest inside and/or outside of the classroom.
- 7. What have you done to make your school or your community a better place?
- 8. Beyond what has already been shared in your application, what do you believe makes you stand out as a strong candidate for admissions to the University of California?