

## Sustainable Environmental Design(SED): Change of College/Major Petition

Follow these instructions if you are either 1) Currently an enrolled student at UC Berkeley outside the College of Environmental Design (CED) or 2) a CED student wishing to switch majors. **Read these instructions carefully.**

### Deadlines

Fall: October 1 (priority deadline)

Spring: March 1 (final deadline)

Summer: July 1

*We will do our best to review petitions before enrollment begins for the next term.  
Incomplete applications will be denied.*

### Eligibility Requirements:

- **Apply by October 1 of the fall of the Second-Year (Sophomore) year**
  - Applications submitted by March 1 at the end of second year will be reviewed; however, space will be limited.
  - Students admitted as “transfer” are ineligible to apply.
- **Completion of at least one fall or spring semester at UC Berkeley**
- **Have completed or enrolled in the following:**
  - **\*ENV DES 1 or ENV DES 5, MATH 16A, First Half of the Reading and Composition Requirement**  
*Completion of LDARCH 12, PHYS 8A; STAT 2; and ECON C1 or C3 are desired but not required for application.*  
*\*Students must earn a B+ or better in ENV DES 1 or ENVDES 5 to be considered.*
- **Fill out the Sustainable Environmental Design: Requirements and Graduation Planning Form**
  - Applicants must demonstrate they can complete their degree within CED’s semester limit (eight semesters).
  - Please make sure you are using the most up to date major handbook that corresponds with the year you were admitted to UC Berkeley.
- **Have a minimum 2.0 GPA.** The higher your GPA, the more competitive you will be.
- **Write a 750-word maximum essay response to the change of college/major prompt**

### How to Apply: Students may apply for a CED change of college/major no more than twice

You must submit the following materials to [heather.grothjan@berkeley.edu](mailto:heather.grothjan@berkeley.edu):

1. The Change of College/Major Petition Checklist (pg. 2)
2. A link to your completed [SED: Requirements and Graduation Plan](#) (pg. 3)
3. A 750-word maximum word essay (pg. 4)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ SID # \_\_\_\_\_ UCB Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Change of College/Major Petition Checklist

- I have read the front page of the change-of-college petition for my prospective major, and I understand which requirements **should be in progress or fulfilled with grades posted** in advance of submitting my application.
- I have completed at least one fall or spring semester at UC Berkeley.
- I have checked my GPA and it is at least a 2.0.
- If applicable, I have used the high school enrichment (AP, IB, and A-Level) document on the CED Advising website and I know which AP courses have fulfilled breadth requirements based on my scores. **I have indicated which courses have been fulfilled through high school enrichment on my application.** (See *High School Exam Credit* <https://ced.berkeley.edu/advising/forms-documents>)
- On my graduation plan, I have demonstrated that **I can fulfill all breadth, major, college and university requirements within 8 fall and spring semesters**. If I am planning to take some coursework over the summer, I have included this coursework in my graduation plan. If I am planning to study abroad and think that my study abroad program will qualify me for a 9<sup>th</sup> semester I have indicated this on my plan.
- I have verified that my graduation plan includes the following:
  - Reading and Composition A & B by end of sophomore year
  - 2 lower division ENV DES requirements (ENV DES 1 and ENV DES 5)
  - 3 upper division courses within CED but outside of your major
  - 7-course breadth (If you plan to fulfill the International Studies Requirement through study abroad, indicate this in your graduation plan)
  - All lower and upper division major requirements
- My graduation plan also shows that I will be enrolled **in at least 12 units during each fall and spring semester\***, and that the **total number of units adds up to at least 120**. Also, I have made sure that I meet Senior Residency requirements: After 90 units, at least 24 of the remaining 30 units will be completed at UC Berkeley. Note: Students who are pursuing a Reduced Course Load should meet with an advisor prior to submission.
- I have not left anything blank**. I wrote "IP" (In Progress) for the courses I am currently taking or "PL" (Planned) for courses I will take in the future.
- I have made sure that courses only offered in the fall or spring are arranged accordingly in my graduation plan.
- I have **signed and dated** my application and included all of my contact information. My email address is legible. A **major adviser** signature is not required to submit my application.
- I understand the admission process for this major is very competitive. There is no guarantee of admission, even if I meet the criteria. I understand it is advised to have an alternative major planned.

### SED: Requirements and Graduation Plan Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ SID # \_\_\_\_\_ UCB Email \_\_\_\_\_

Application Type: (if not registered last term, attach a Readmission Petition to this form)

- Change of College: Current College \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_
- Change of Major (Current CED students only): Current Major \_\_\_\_\_

Semester/Year you were admitted to UC Berkeley: \_\_\_\_\_

If currently not enrolled in CED, have you applied to CED before?  Yes  No

If yes, which semester(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:**

1. Begin by clicking the [SED: Requirements and Graduation Plan](#) form
2. Once you've accessed the appropriate form, click on "Use Template" on the top right
3. Save Follow these steps:
  - Change your document's name to include your name on the name of document
    - i. For example "[Bear, Oski] SED: Requirements & Graduation Plan Form"
4. Share your document with the CED Advising Office
  - Select "File" -> "Share" -> "Share with others" and add <[cedadvising@berkeley.edu](mailto:cedadvising@berkeley.edu)> in the "Add people and groups" box
  - Make <[cedadvising@berkeley.edu](mailto:cedadvising@berkeley.edu)> an "Editor" and click send
5. Now, you can start filling out the form with your graduation plan details
  - Provide all the required information in the appropriate fields. All the fields you need to fill out are highlighted in yellow
  - Only fill in the information in the form. Do not make changes to the format
    - i. Students should only fill the information on the first tab titled "Reqs & Grad Plan (student form)"
  - Pay special attention to the sections related to major requirements, College-specific requirements, and University requirements
  - Fill in the necessary information according to your individual plan and academic progress
6. Important Notices
  - Utilize your [Academic Progress Report](#) and [Major Handbook](#) that corresponds with the year you were admitted to UC Berkeley to assist you in filling out the form

**Submit your link for your SED Requirements and Graduation Plan in the space below:**

**I agree to the following:**

- I have shared my SED requirements and graduation plan with [cedadvising@berkeley.edu](mailto:cedadvising@berkeley.edu) and provided "Editor" access
- I have filled all blank yellow cells on the SED requirements and graduation plan form

**Student Signature (required)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

## Change of College/Major Essay

Name \_\_\_\_\_ SID # \_\_\_\_\_ UCB Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Essay Prompt (750-word maximum):** Please describe your interest in the SED major, including your readiness to succeed and your educational/professional goals.