

64% of the top 100 students who apply to H.E.S. choose UC at the first option.

Student and Admission Policy

UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION

The admissions process allows Chilean and foreign applicants to acquire regular student status, that is, to pursue a regular program of study leading to a university degree.

For the 2008 admission process, 92,000 applicants fulfilled the minimum score of Chilean University Selection Test (PSU).

The process is also highly competitive: of the 50,400 university openings available nationally to those who passed the PSU, the UC offered 3,500 openings.

The three official channels for admission are:

- **Freshmen**

Students who have or will have received a high school diploma or its equivalent, and who have successfully achieved a minimum score on the national examination called the University Selection Test (PSU).

- **Transfer Students**

Students with prior higher education experience. This includes special admissions students or those with a severe physical disability that prevents them from taking the national examination.

- **Complementary Admission**

Students from specific sectors of the domestic community may enter through this process.

Such applicants must certify that they have completed high school.

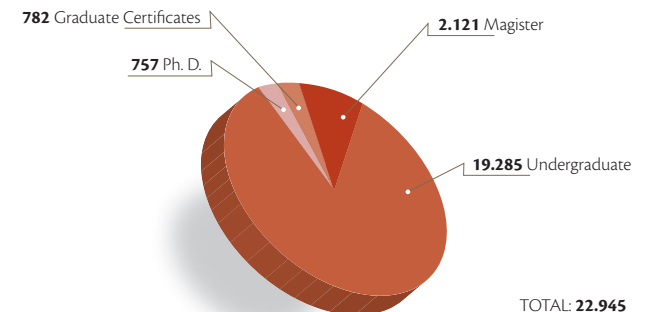
- Graduate Programs have special admission systems administered by each School.

STUDENT BENEFITS

Financial aid is available through a system of loans and scholarships to assist in the financing of enrollment fees, room and board, transportation, books, etc.

All regular students receive partial health benefits, including general medicine, laboratory exams, medical-dental assistance, psychological counseling, and pre- and post-natal assistance. **Forty-two percent of undergraduates have received student benefits in the last years.**

TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS 2008



In 2008, the percentages of the top ranking students in Chile who took the PSU as admission to enroll in higher education selected UC as their first option to study were:

- From the 100 best scores: 64% chose UC as first option
- From the 1,000 best scores: 55% chose UC as first option
- From the 2,000 best scores: 47% chose as first option