

Fall 2017 Human Biology and Society Major Application Process FAQs

1) What will the HBS application consist of?

Acceptance to the HBS major is based on a holistic application process. Thus, your admission will be based on your progress through the pre-major coursework, your pre-major grades & GPA, extracurricular activities, and a personal statement question. There are no interviews, and references/letters of recommendations are not accepted.

2) I am a transfer student and am missing Society and Genetics 5 -am I penalized for this?

Incoming transfer students are not penalized for missing Soc Gen 5 since we do not have any equivalent courses at community colleges. Students who are admitted into HBS will be required to enroll in SOC GEN 5 for Winter 2018.

3) Does my choice of concentration affect my chances of being admitted? Can I change it once I'm admitted?

No, your choice of the HBS concentration does not affect your chances of being admitted, and you may change it once you are admitted.

4) How do I run a model degree audit report for HBS to attach to my application?

When you access your DARS through MyUCLA, click on "run selected program" and choose:

School/College: Choose College of Letters & Science

Catalog Year: Choose the quarter you were admitted to UCLA

Catalog Year for Major: Choose Fall 2017 (the quarter you would begin HBS)

Major: HBS B.A. or B.S.

Concentration: Whichever one you choose

Click on Run Audit

Click on View Audit, and to print click on [View/Download](#) 

5) Who is on the admissions committee?

The admissions committee is comprised of ISG faculty. The Undergraduate Counselor coordinates the administrative aspect of the application process.

6) Do we need to declare pre-HBS to apply to the HBS major? Are pre-HBS students favored over other majors?

No, you do not need to be a pre-HBS student to apply to the major. Pre-HBS majors do not have any advantage over non pre-majors.

7) When will we hear back about the decisions?

Applicants will be notified about the decisions before Winter quarter enrollment begins.

8) If I do not get accepted, may I re-apply or appeal?

No, all decisions are final and students only have one chance to apply. Thus, it is very important for all students to have an alternative major in mind, and also meet the respective counselors to ensure that they are still on track for other majors.

9) Can I also apply to the Society and Genetics minor?

Yes, students have the option to apply to our Society and Genetics minor in addition to the major, and the deadline for the minor for Class of 2019 students is by 3:00PM, Friday, October 20, 2018.

10) Am I allowed to switch from the HBS BS to BA, or from the BS to BA if I'm admitted?

No, you must stick with the degree that you are admitted to.