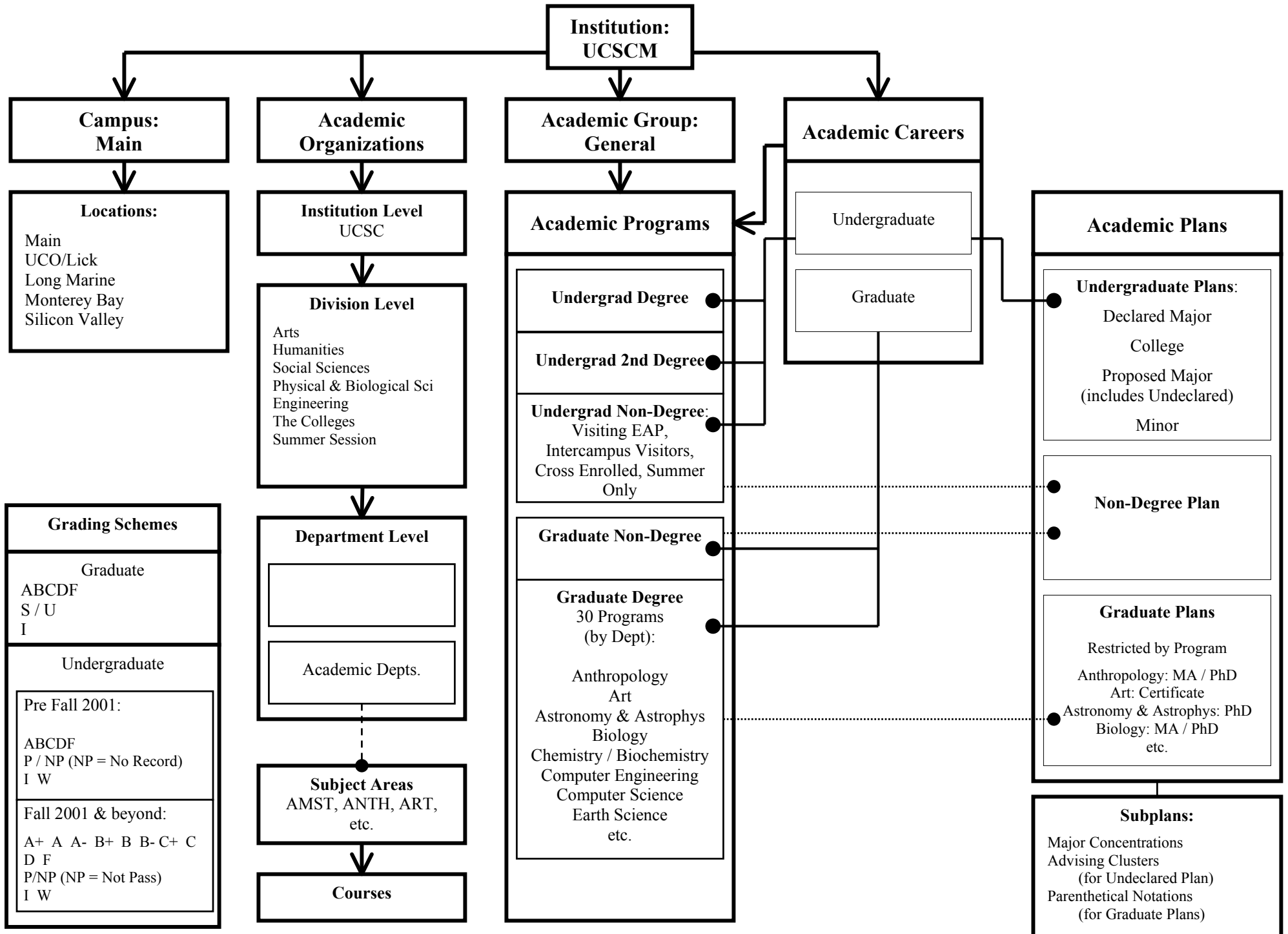


AIS Academic Structure Diagram



Peoplesoft Terminology Definitions

Campus: an entity, usually associated with a separate physical administrative unit, that belongs to a single academic institution, uses the same course catalog, and produces a common transcript for students within the same academic career. For UCSC, a single "main" campus has been configured and contains 5 possible locations.

Academic Organization: this structural element defines how an academic institution is organized from an *administrative* perspective. At the lowest level, an academic organization can be compared to an academic department. At the highest level, an academic organization can represent a division or institution.

Subject areas: the specific areas of instruction in which courses are offered within academic organizations. For example, when a course is identified as Math 101, math is the subject area. For the UCSC configuration, all subject areas currently in SIS were entered into the Peoplesoft database.

Academic Group: the highest level breakdown of the academic institution for academic structural purposes. Other institutions use Groups to delineate such entities as "College of Fine Arts" and "School of Law" that use separate course offerings and careers. For UCSC purposes, one "General" Academic Group has been configured.

Academic Program: the entity that a student applies to, is admitted to, and graduates from (in the case of a degree-earning program). In the UCSC configuration, these entities were categorized according to the distinct admissions processes and administrative units involved in admitting students to our campus. Academic Programs are owned by Academic Organizations: Graduate Degree Programs are owned by their administering Departments, while the Undergraduate Degree Program is owned by the institution (UCSCM).

Academic Careers: a concept used in PeopleSoft Student Administration to designate all coursework undertaken by a student at the academic institution and grouped together in a single student record. For UCSC, two academic careers are defined: undergraduate and graduate.

Grading Scheme: a collection of all valid grade bases (e.g. Letter Graded, Pass/Not Pass, Multi-Term etc.), their grades (A-F, P, NP, I, IP, etc.), and grade detail (Grade Points, Include in GPA, Earn Credit, etc.) for a given career.

Academic Plan: an area of study—such as a major, minor, or specialization—that is within an academic program *or* within an academic career. At UCSC, these have been categorized as Declared Major, Proposed Major, Minor, Graduate Course of Study, and Non-Degree (for students in the Non Degree Program). In addition, since UCSC Colleges implement college-specific graduation requirements (including core coursework), an undergraduate College Plan category has been configured. Academic Plans are owned by Academic Organizations (in the UCSC configuration this is the administering Department).

Academic Subplan: areas of further specialization within academic plans. For UCSC purposes, these have been configured to include Major Concentrations, Advising Clusters (within the Proposed:Undeclared Plan), and Parenthetical degree notations (for graduates).