

that meet General Education requirements. The 30 units must include all of the General Education requirements in communication in the English language and critical thinking (at least 9 semester units) and the requirements in mathematics/quantitative reasoning (usually 3 semester units) *or* the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) requirements in English communication and mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning.

**Undergraduate applicants  
who graduated from  
high school *prior to 1988*:**

• must have completed four years of high school English and two years of high school math, with grades of C or better

*or*

• must have completed a baccalaureate course with a grade of C or better that meets the General Education requirement in written communication and a course with a grade of C or better that meets the General Education requirement in mathematics/quantitative reasoning *or* the IGETC requirements in English composition and mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning. The course meeting either General Education math requirement must be above the level of intermediate algebra.

Transferable courses are those designated for baccalaureate credit by the college or university offering the courses.

Consult with any CSU Admissions Office for further information about alternative ways to satisfy the subject requirements.

**Honors Courses.** Grades, in up to eight semesters of honors courses in approved subjects and taken in the last two years of high school, receive additional points in grade point average calculations. Each unit of A in approved courses receives a total of 5 points; B, 4 points; C, 3 points; D, 1 point; and none for F grades.

**Test Requirements.** Freshman and transfer applicants who have fewer than 56 semester (84 quarter) units of transferable college credit must submit official scores — unless exempt (see

*Eligibility Index* on page 52) — from either the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT I) of the College Board or the American College Testing Program (ACT). Test scores are also used for advising and placement purposes. Registration forms and dates for either test may be obtained from high school or college counselors or from a CSU campus testing office. Or, write to or call:

**The College Board (SAT I)**  
Registration Unit, Box 592  
Princeton, New Jersey 08541  
(609) 771-7588

**American College Testing  
Program (ACT)**  
Registration Unit, P.O. Box 168  
Iowa City, Iowa 52240  
(319) 337-1270

**TOEFL Requirement.** All undergraduate applicants whose native language is not English, regardless of citizenship, must demonstrate English language proficiency through an official TOEFL report showing a minimum score of 500. All graduate applicants must submit a minimum TOEFL score of 550, unless they have a baccalaureate degree from an institution of higher education in which English is the language of instruction. Individual campuses may require higher scores for specific majors.

**Systemwide Tests Required of Most New Students.** The CSU requires new students to be tested in English and mathematics after they are admitted. These are not admission tests but a way to determine whether you are prepared for college work and, if not, to counsel you how to strengthen your preparation. You might be exempt from one or both of the tests if you have scored well on other specified tests or completed appropriate courses.

**English Placement Test (EPT).** Unless exempt according to CSU policy, all students enrolling at California State University, Fresno must take the EPT by the end of their first semester of attendance. (See *Academic Placement*.)

**Entry-Level Mathematics (ELM)**  
**Exam.** Unless exempt according to CSU policy, all students enrolling at California State University, Fresno must take the ELM by the end of their first semester of attendance. (See *Academic Placement*.)

**Adult Students.** As an alternative to regular admission criteria, applicants who are 25 years of age or older may be considered for admission as adult students if they meet all of the following conditions:

1. possess a high school diploma (or have established equivalence through either the Tests of General Educational Development or the California High School Proficiency Examination)
2. have not been enrolled in a California community college as a full-time student for more than one term during the past five years (*Part-time enrollment is permissible*.)
3. earned a C average or better in college coursework during the last five years

Consideration is based on the applicant's probability of academic success and includes an assessment of basic skills in the English language and mathematical computation. For information, call our Reentry Office, 278-3040.

**Graduation Requirements in Writing Proficiency.** All students must demonstrate competency in writing skills as a requirement for graduation. Information on currently available ways to meet this graduation requirement may be obtained from the Admissions Office or the Testing Office.

**Graduate and Postbaccalaureate Admission Requirements**  
See *Division of Graduate Studies*.

**International  
(Foreign) Students**

The California State University must assess the academic preparation of foreign students. For this purpose, "foreign students" include those who hold U.S. visas as students, exchange visitors, or in other nonimmigrant classifications.

The CSU uses separate requirements and application filing dates in the admission of foreign students. Verification of English proficiency (see *TOEFL Requirement* for undergraduate applicants), financial resources, and academic performance are all important considerations. Academic records from foreign institutions must be on