

terms, February for summer terms) than can be accommodated. Some programs are impacted at every campus where they are offered; others are impacted only at some campuses. You must meet supplementary admission criteria if applying to an impacted program.

During the fall filing period, the CSU will announce which programs are impacted and the supplementary criteria campuses will use. That announcement will be published in the *CSU Review*, distributed to high school and college counselors, and available online at <http://www.calstate.edu/AR/csureview/>. Information about the supplementary criteria also is sent to program applicants.

You must file your application for admission to an impacted program during the initial filing period. If you wish to be considered in impacted programs at two or more campuses, you must file an application to each.

#### **Supplementary Admission Criteria.**

Each campus with impacted programs uses supplementary admission criteria in screening applicants. Supplementary criteria may include ranking on the freshman eligibility index, the overall transfer grade point average, completion of specified prerequisite courses, and a combination of campus-developed criteria. If you are required to submit scores on either the SAT I or the ACT and are applying for fall admission, you should take the test as early as possible and no later than October of the preceding year if applying for fall admission.

The supplementary admission criteria used by the individual campuses to screen applicants appear periodically in the *CSU Review* and are sent by the campuses to all applicants seeking admission to an impacted program.

Unlike unaccommodated applicants to locally impacted programs who may be redirected to another campus in the same major, unaccommodated applicants to systemwide impacted programs may not be redirected in the same major but may choose an alternate major either at the first choice campus or another campus.

#### **Graduate and Postbaccalaureate Application Procedures**

All graduate and postbaccalaureate applicants (e.g., master's degree applicants, those seeking credentials, and those interested in taking courses for personal or professional growth) must

file a complete graduate application as described in the graduate and postbaccalaureate admissions booklet. Applicants seeking a second bachelor's degree should submit the undergraduate application for admission. Applicants who completed undergraduate degree requirements and graduated the preceding term are also required to complete and submit an application and a nonrefundable application fee. Since applicants for postbaccalaureate programs may be limited to the choice of a single campus on each application, redirection to alternate campuses or later changes of campus choice will be minimal. To be assured of initial consideration by more than one campus, it will be necessary for any applicant to submit separate applications (including fees) to each. Applications may be obtained from the Graduate Studies Office or the admissions office of any California State University campus. An electronic version of the CSU graduate application is available on the World Wide Web at <http://www.csumentor.edu/>.

Postbaccalaureate students seeking a second undergraduate degree must file an undergraduate admission application.

For additional information, see the *Division of Graduate Studies*.

#### **Returning Students**

Applicants who seek readmission after an absence of one semester or more must file an application for admission. Applicants absent one semester only are exempt from the \$55 application fee, providing no academic work was taken in the interim at any other institution. Students absent on an approved planned educational leave are not required to file an application for admission and are exempt from the application fee. (See *Planned Educational Leave*.)

#### **Application Filing Periods**

Each campus accepts applications until capacities are reached. Many campuses limit undergraduate admission in an enrollment category because of overall enrollment limits. If applying after the initial filing period, consult the campus admissions office for current information.

- Applications for the fall semester are accepted beginning Oct. 1. The initial filing period lasts until Nov. 30.
- Applications for the spring semester are accepted beginning Aug. 1. The initial filing period lasts until Aug. 31.

- Applications for the summer semester are accepted beginning Feb. 1. The initial filing period lasts until Feb. 28.

Applications postmarked or received during the initial filing period will be given equal consideration within established enrollment categories and quotas. There is no advantage in filing before the initial filing period. Applications received before the initial filing period may be returned, causing a delay in processing. With the exception of the impacted undergraduate program areas, applications will be accepted well into the extended filing periods until quotas are filled.

**Application Acknowledgment.** You may expect to receive an acknowledgment of your application. The notice will also include a request that you submit the records necessary for the campus to evaluate your qualifications. You may be assured of admission if the evaluation of your qualifications indicates that you meet CSU admission requirements and campus requirements for admission to an impacted program. An offer of admission is not transferable to another term or to another campus.

#### **Undergraduate Admission Requirements**

**Freshman Requirements.** Generally applicants qualify for regular admission as a first-time freshman if they are high school graduates, have a qualifiable eligibility index (see table on the next page), and have completed with grades of C or better each of the courses in the comprehensive pattern of college preparatory subject requirements. (See *Subject Requirements*.) Courses must be completed prior to the first enrollment in The California State University.

**Eligibility Index.** The eligibility index is the combination of your high school grade point average and your score on either the American College Test (ACT) or the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT I). For this purpose, we compute your grade point average on your final three years of high school studies, excluding physical education and military science, and use bonus points for approved honors courses. Beginning with admission for fall 2004, the high school grade point average will be based solely on courses taken in the final three years of high school that satisfy the comprehensive pattern of college preparatory subject requirements.

You can calculate the index by multiplying your grade point average by 800 and