

3. Earn acceptable scores on specified examinations.
4. If you have 56 or more semester (84 quarter) units, you may complete one of the following alternatives:
 - a. **1987 or earlier high school graduates:** Complete the CSU General Education requirement in communication in the English language (at least 9 semester units) and mathematics (usually 3 semester units) with a C or better in each course.
 - b. **1988 or later high school graduates:** Complete a minimum of 30 semester (45 quarter) units, with a C or better in each course, chosen from courses in English, arts and humanities, social science, science, and mathematics of a level at least equivalent to courses that meet General Education requirements.

Each student must complete all CSU General Education requirements in communication in the English language (at least 9 semester units) and in mathematics (usually 3 semester units) as part of the 30-unit requirement.

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 scores — unless exempt (see *Eligibility Index* on page 70) — from either the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Test (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, you may write to or call:

**The College Board (SAT)
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 exempted from one or both of the tests if you have scored well on other specified tests or completed appropriate courses.

English Placement Test (EPT). The CSU English Placement Test must be completed by all new undergraduates unless exempt. (See *Academic Placement*.)

Entry-Level Mathematics (ELM) Exam. Unless exempt according to CSU policy, all students enrolling at CSU 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 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 the CSU Fresno 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*.

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*.)

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. Verifica-