

Campus



The University

In 1911, California State University, Fresno began with 150 students as a two-year state normal school that largely prepared teachers for their profession.

Today, this university is a stimulating center of intellectual and cultural activity, dedicated to academic excellence, integrity, and freedom. With more than 22,000 students registered, the university recognizes its commitment to develop qualified professionals who will become tomorrow's leaders in every walk of life.

California State University, Fresno offers challenging and innovative programs in the liberal arts and sciences, in the professions, in applied fields, and in special and interdisciplinary areas. Departmental programs provide unusual and exciting opportunities for a proficient and enriching university experience.

The excellence of our faculty is documented in a variety of ways, including recognition from national and international associations. Ninety percent of the full-time, tenure-track faculty hold doctoral degrees in their areas of study.

However, the most important characteristic of our faculty is their ability to care about students and their willingness to give of their time on an individual basis.

The Campus

Under a dense canopy of 4,000 trees, the campus sits at the northeast edge of Fresno, against a backdrop of the beautiful Sierra Nevadas. The campus was officially designated as an arboretum in 1978. Its parklike setting creates a beautiful environment for making new friends and pursuing a quality education.

The 388-acre main campus features more than 46 traditional and modern buildings. An additional 34 structures are on the 1,011-acre University Farm, which is considered one of the most modern and best equipped agricultural facilities in the West.

Outstanding research facilities (computer, engineering, electronics, and industrial technology laboratories) are complemented by cultural and recreational facilities. The campus has two student unions, indoor and outdoor theaters for drama and music, and swimming facilities. Students can make use of many individual and team sport facilities, a baseball stadium at Beiden Field that seats