



### Program Planning and Registration

Freshmen should plan their programs early, beginning, when practical, with the selection of a major. Degree requirements in each major are listed under the appropriate department. Major information sheets are available for most of our majors. If you are undecided about a major, indicate *Undeclared* on the appropriate forms until a definite decision is reached. For general information, see *Degrees and Credentials*.

Depending on the major department's procedure, an academic advisor is assigned to each student, or selected by the student. Undeclared majors are advised by the Office of Advising Services.

**It is recommended that all students meet with a faculty advisor once each semester before registering for classes. A faculty advisor assists the student in planning an academic program, but the primary responsibility for meeting all graduation requirements is the student's.**

### Recommended Preparation

**Freshmen.** Overall excellence of performance in high school subjects and evidence of academic potential provide the basis for admission at California State University, Fresno.



Since certain academic majors require high school preparation in definite subjects, the student should consult the requirements indicated in the field of his or her choice.

In university majors, such as engineering, natural science, mathematics, social science and humanities, a maximum number of high school credits should be obtained in appropriate preparatory subjects.

**Transfer Students.** Students intending to transfer to California State University, Fresno should plan their programs while attending other colleges to meet our General Education and major degree requirements. Students transferring from a California community college should complete as many of the CSU General Education requirements of that college as possible while keeping in mind that a maximum of 70 transferable units is allowed from two-year institutions (community/junior colleges). A General Education Certification (requested only from California public community/junior colleges and California State University campuses) should be sent to California State University, Fresno along with the final transcripts. Earning an A.A. or A.S. degree does not necessarily mean one has fulfilled CSU admission and/or General Education requirements.



After admission to California State University, Fresno, transfer students with a declared major, entering with 40 or more units will receive a copy of their advanced standing evaluation, indicating how previous college units have been applied toward degree requirements at California State University, Fresno. Questions about one's evaluation should be directed to the student's advisor or the Evaluations Office. It is recommended that transfer students bring with them an unofficial copy of all previous college transcripts and their CSU General Education Certification when attending New Student Orientation and Advising Day to ensure accurate advising.

The California Articulation Number (CAN) identifies some of the transferable, lower-division, introductory (preparatory) courses commonly taught on California college campuses. The system assures students that CAN courses on one participating campus will be accepted "in lieu of" the comparable CAN course on another participating campus. For example: CAN ECON 2 on one campus will be accepted for CAN ECON 2 on every other participating campus. Each campus retains its own numbering system, but adds the CAN designation parenthetically in its publications. In this catalog, the