

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 work must submit scores from either the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Test (ACT). Registration forms and the dates for either test may be obtained from high school or college counselors or from a campus testing office. Or, you may write to the following addresses:

The College Board (SAT) Registration Unit Box 592 Princeton, New Jersey 08541	American College Testing Program (ACT) Registration Unit P.O. Box 168 Iowa City, Iowa 52240
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**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 if 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* in this catalog.)

**Entry Level Mathematics (ELM) Test.** All new undergraduate students must take the ELM test and pass it before enrolling in a course that satisfies the quantitative reasoning requirement of the General Education CORE program. Exemptions from the test are given to students only under certain circumstances. (See *Academic Placement* in this catalog.)

**Adult Students.** As an alternative to regular admission criteria, an applicant who is 25 years of age or older may be considered for admission as an adult student if he or she meets the following conditions:

1. Possesses a high school diploma (or has established equivalence through either the Tests of General Educational Development or the California High School Proficiency Examination).
2. Has 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, ext. 3040*.

**Graduation Requirement 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 and Research*.

**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. Verification of English proficiency (see *TOEFL Requirement*), financial resources and academic performance are all considered in an admission decision. All academic documents must be submitted in native language, accompanied by a certified English translation. No final admission decision will be made until required materials have been submitted to International Admissions.

Priority in admission is given to residents of California. There is little likelihood of nonresident applicants, including international students, being admitted to either impacted majors or to those programs with limited openings.

At CSU, Fresno admissions decisions are made on the basis of complete academic records from all secondary and college level schools, demonstrated English proficiency based on the results of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and a certification of financial support.

Information on TOEFL testing dates and centers may be obtained by writing, TOEFL, Educational Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey 08540 or from the CSU, Fresno Testing Office.

Applicants should take TOEFL at least six months before the beginning of the semester to which they are seeking admission to allow time for receipt and evaluation of test scores.

To qualify for undergraduate admission an international student must present a score of 500 or better on the TOEFL. A postbaccalaureate or graduate student must present a score of 550 or better. The TOEFL score required for admission to specific programs may be higher than the minimum of 500 for undergraduate and 550 for postbaccalaureate applicants indicated above. Students should check these TOEFL requirements in the departmental listings.

To assure that students are prepared to take advantage of the educational opportunities available at CSU, Fresno each international student who must submit TOEFL scores will be