

# Admission Requirements

## Admissions Office

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Requirements for admission to California State University, Fresno are in accordance with Title 5, Chapter 1, Subchapter 3, of the *California Code of Regulations*. If you are not sure of these requirements, you should consult a high school or community college counselor or the Admissions Office. Applications, paper or electronic, may be obtained from the admissions offices at any of the campuses of the CSU or at any California high school or community college. Visit <http://www.csumentor.edu> on the World Wide Web for electronic versions of the CSU undergraduate and graduate applications.

**Importance of Filing Complete, Accurate, and Authentic Application for Admission Documents.** The CSU advises prospective students that they must supply complete and accurate information on the application for admission, residence questionnaire, and financial aid forms. Further, applicants must submit authentic and official transcripts of all previous academic work attempted. Failure to file complete, accurate, and authentic application documents may result in denial of admission, cancellation of academic credit, suspension, or expulsion (Section 41301 of Title 5, *California Code of Regulations*).

Applicants are required to include their Social Security number in designated places on applications for admission pursuant to the authority contained in Title 5, *California Code of Regulations*, Section 41201. The Social Security number is used as a means of identifying records pertaining to the student, identifying the student for purposes of financial aid eligibility and disbursement, and the repayment of financial aid and other debts payable to the institution.

Taxpayers who claim Hope Scholarship or Lifetime Learning tax credit will be required to provide their name, address, and Taxpayer Identification Number to the campus.

## Undergraduate Application Procedures

Prospective students, applying for part-time or full-time undergraduate programs of study in day or evening classes, must file a complete undergraduate application as described in the undergraduate admissions booklet or in the electronic application packet. The \$55 nonrefundable application fee should be in the form of a check or money order payable to *The California State University* and may not be transferred or used to apply to another term.

An alternate campus and major may be indicated on the application, but *applicants should list as an alternate campus only a CSU campus that also offers the major*. Generally, an alternate major will be considered at the first choice campus before an application is redirected to an alternate choice campus.

**For undergraduate admission to California State University, Fresno you must:**

1. Submit a current application with a non-refundable application fee to the Admissions Office.
2. Request institutions formerly attended to send directly to the Admissions Office transcripts of credits from high school and colleges. College transcripts are required in duplicate. Failure to include all colleges attended may result in cancellation of your registration. All transcripts submitted by students are retained by California State University, Fresno.
3. Take the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT I) or American College Test (ACT) and request official scores be sent to California State University, Fresno if you are a lower-division applicant. The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) is required of all foreign applicants and applicants who do not have at least three years of schooling — at the secondary level or beyond — where English is the principal language of instruction.
4. Take any additional proficiency or placement tests required. (See *Systemwide Tests*

*Required of Most New Students* on page 54.)

In addition to the other documents required, a veteran should file a copy of the *Notice of Separation* (DD 214) from the armed services with the application for admission. Academic credit will be awarded for service time and service schools completed as recommended by *A Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Services*.

Veterans who are California residents may be exempt from certain admission requirements. Special admission may be granted if the applicant is judged likely to succeed academically. Standard admission procedures should be followed.

Applications will not be accepted after admissions categories have closed. Eligibility for admission cannot be determined until *all* required documents have been received. Due to staff limitations, an evaluation of transfer credit will generally not be available until sometime during the first semester's enrollment.

A maximum of 70 semester units of credit is allowed toward the bachelor's degree for work completed in a community college. However, community college credit in excess of 70 units may be used to satisfy subject requirements. No upper-division credit will be given.

Remedial course units are not accepted for admission or degree credit. For limitations on extension and correspondence credit, see *Extension Classes*.

Students desiring university housing or financial aid should file special applications with the appropriate offices concerned as soon as possible.

## Impacted Programs

The CSU designates programs as impacted when more applications are received in the first month of the filing period than can be accommodated. Some programs are impacted at every campus where they are offered; others are impacted at some campuses. You must meet supplementary admissions criteria if applying to an impacted program.

The CSU will announce before the opening of the fall filing period which