

programs are impacted and what supplementary criteria campuses will use. That announcement is published in the *CSU Review*, distributed to high school and college counselors. Information about the supplementary criteria is also sent to program applicants.

You must file your application for admission to an impacted program during the first month of the filing period. Further, if you wish to be considered in impacted programs at two or more campuses, you must file an application to each.

Supplementary Admission Criteria. Each campus with impacted programs uses supplementary admission criteria in screening applicants. Supplementary criteria may include ranking on the freshman eligibility index, the overall transfer grade point average, and a combination of campus-developed criteria. If you are required to submit scores on either the SAT I or the ACT, you should take the test no later than December if applying for fall admission.

The supplementary admission criteria used by the individual campuses to screen applicants appear periodically in the *CSU Review* and are sent by the campuses to all applicants seeking admission to an impacted program.

Unlike unaccommodated applicants to locally impacted programs who may be redirected to another campus in the same major, unaccommodated applicants to systemwide impacted programs may not be redirected in the same major but may choose an alternate major either at the first-choice campus or another campus.

Graduate and Postbaccalaureate

Application Procedures

All graduate and postbaccalaureate applicants (e.g., master's degree applicants, those seeking credentials, and those interested in taking graduate-level courses for personal or professional growth) must file a complete graduate application as described in the graduate and postbaccalaureate admissions booklet. CSU students who completed undergraduate degree requirements and graduated the preceding term are also



required to complete and submit an application and a nonrefundable application fee. Since applicants for postbaccalaureate programs may be limited to the choice of a single campus on each application, redirection to alternate campuses or later changes of campus choice will be minimal. To be assured of initial consideration by more than one campus, it will be necessary for any applicant to submit separate applications (including fees) to each. Applications may be obtained from the Graduate Studies Office or any admissions office of any California State University campus or any California community college.

Postbaccalaureate students seeking a second undergraduate degree must file an undergraduate admission application.

For additional information, see the *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*.)

Application Filing Periods

Each campus accepts applications until capacities are reached. Many campuses limit undergraduate admission in an enrollment category because of overall enrollment limits. If applying after the initial filing period, consult the campus admissions office for current information.

- Applications for the fall semester are accepted beginning November 1. Student notification begins in December.
- Applications for the spring semester are accepted beginning August 1. Student notification begins in September.

Applications postmarked or received during the initial filing period will be given equal consideration within established enrollment categories and quotas. There is no advantage in filing before the initial filing period. Applications received before the initial filing period may be returned, causing a delay in processing. With the exception of the impacted undergraduate program areas, applications will be accepted well into the extended filing periods until quotas are filled.

Application Acknowledgment. You may expect to receive an acknowledgment of your application from your first-choice campus within two to four weeks of filing the application. A notice that space has been reserved for you will also include a request that you submit the records necessary for the campus to evaluate your qualifications. You may be assured of admission if the evaluation of your qualifications indicates that you meet CSU admission requirements and campus requirements for admission to an impacted program. Such a notice is not transferable to another term or to another campus.

Hardship Petitions. The campus has established procedures for considering qualified applicants who would be faced with extreme hardship if not admitted. Petitioners should write to the Admissions Office regarding specific policies governing hardship admission.