

## **Program Planning and Registration**

Freshmen students 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. If a student is undecided about a major, indicate "Undeclared" on the appropriate forms until a definite decision is reached. For general information, see *Degrees and Credentials*.

An academic adviser is assigned to each student or selected by the student depending on the major department's procedure. Undeclared majors are advised by the Office of Advising and Orientation.

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

### **Recommended Preparation**

**Freshmen Students** Overall excellence of performance in high school subjects and evidence of academic potential provide the basis for admission at CSU, Fresno. The applicant is strongly encouraged to include the following subjects as minimal preparation for university study.

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| College preparatory English .....  | 4 years |
| Foreign language .....   | 2 years |
| College preparatory mathematics .....  | 3 years |
| College preparatory laboratory science .....   | 1 year  |
| College preparatory history and/or social science .....                                      | 2 years |
| Study in speech, music, art, and other subjects contributing to general academic background. |         |

Students must have completed eight semesters of college preparatory English and four semesters of college preparatory mathematics in high school and/or their equivalent at the college level to qualify for admission to a CSU campus.

Since certain academic majors require high school preparation in definite subjects, the student should consult the requirements indicated in the field of his 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 subjects in English, mathematics, science, and foreign languages.

**Transfer Students** Students intending to transfer to CSU, Fresno should plan their programs while attending other colleges to meet CSU, Fresno 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. A general education certification should be sent to CSU, 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 CSU, Fresno, transfer students with twenty or more units will receive a copy of their advanced standing evaluation indicating how previous college units have been applied toward requirements at CSU, Fresno. Questions about one's evaluation should be directed to the student's adviser or the Office of Advising and Orientation. It is recommended that transfer students bring with them an unofficial copy of all

previous college work when attending new student orientation and advising day to ensure accurate advising.



## **Registration**

Registration is open to new and returning students who have been admitted and to continuing students in good standing. Former CSU, Fresno students returning after an absence of one semester or more must apply for readmission, subject to university enrollment limitations and filing deadlines. Students who are returning after an absence of two semesters or more, and those who have been absent one semester and who have attended another institution since last registered at CSU, Fresno will be required to pay the \$35 application fee when applying. The *Academic Calendar* lists dates of registration. Students who register during the Late Registration period (first 10 days of instruction) are assessed a \$25 late fee. No registrations will be allowed after the end of late registration. *Registration is complete only when all required forms are completed and filed and all fees are paid.* See the *Academic Calendar* for all deadline dates.

Registration priority for all students, new and returning, is determined by the number of academic units completed with limited exceptions. After a priority group, determined by the faculty-student Registration Committee, first-time freshmen register, followed by students with the highest number of completed units.

Registration in courses offered by some schools or departments may be restricted to students officially enrolled in certain majors. It is essential that each student's current major be correctly recorded in the university's records. Failure to do so may result in enrollment difficulties. It is the student's responsibility to be sure his or her major is correct as it appears each semester on the Early Registration form, the Enrollment Verification card, and on the student's grade report. Undergraduate major changes can be made at the Office of Advising and Orientation; post-baccalaureate and graduate changes at the Office of Graduate Studies; and international student changes at the International Student Services and Programs Office.