Objectives

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Cal State Universities

- 23 campuses
- Hands-on
- Most students commute
- Primarily semester-system
- Career-focused
- Educated the workforce
Submit one **CSU Application** for up to 23 campuses

- Research campuses & majors (recommended)
- What to consider when choosing a major:
  - Majors are under “Colleges” (i.e., College of Letters & Science, College of Engineering, etc.)
  - Some colleges and majors are “impacted” thus are more competitive.
  - Select an “alternate major” (recommended)
Admissions Requirements

- CA residents and graduates of CA high schools will be eligible for admission by earning a 2.50 or greater “a-g” GPA.

- Any CA high school graduate or resident of CA earning a GPA between 2.00 and 2.49 may be evaluated for admission based upon supplemental factors.

- Campuses and programs designated as impacted may utilize higher “a-g” GPA thresholds for applicants, as well as identify supplemental criteria and their relative weights, in making admission decisions.
Supplemental Factors

- The California State University (CSU) no longer uses ACT or SAT exams in determining admission eligibility for all CSU campuses.
- Campuses will use a combination of students' “a-g" GPA and supplemental factors to determine admission eligibility. (ex. view any additional “a-g" courses taken above the required 30 semester minimum.)
- Look at extracurricular activities, volunteer work, work experience, etc. There is an activity list that the student can add this information.

Supplemental Factors by Campus

2022-2023 Supplemental Factor Summary Chart
Impaction

WHAT IS IMPACTION?
Impaction

When the number of applications received by a CSU campus from qualified applicants is greater than the number of available spaces, a campus is considered “impacted” for undergraduate degree programs or for undergraduate students. In this case, an impacted campus is allowed to use additional criteria to screen applications.

- CSU campus is competitive.
- It is recommended that students select an alternative major when applying to a campus that is impacted.
- Meeting the minimum CSU requirements does not guarantee admission to the CSU campus.

Academic Program Impaction for 2024-2025

All undergraduate programs, pre-programs, and undeclared/undecided programs are impacted for the following campuses:

- Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
- Cal State Fullerton
- Cal State LA
- CSU Long Beach
- San Diego State University
- San José State
Needed items before you start the application

- **A copy of your transcripts** *(both high school and college transcripts, if applicable)*: You’ll use these to enter the courses you’ve completed to fulfill A-G requirements; including courses currently in progress, and those you plan to take. Your transcript is available in your Infinite Campus account.

- **Your Social Security number** *(if applicable)*

- **Your Citizenship Status**

- **Annual income: Your parent/guardian's annual income**

- **$70 application fee** per campus
  - Fee waivers for up to 4 campuses for those who qualify
  - Credit card or PayPal

- **Educational Program, Work and Extracurricular Participation Information**
What CSU Don’t need:

- Don’t send official transcripts
  - Until July 1st; send only to campus you will attend
  - Unless requested by a special program or campus
- Don’t send SAT or ACT Scores (NOT accepted)
- Don’t send AP Score Report
  - Self-report AP scores on the application
  - Send later to the campus you will attend
- Recommendation Letters NOT accepted
  - Unless directly requested by a campus
Important Information

- Keep your user name, password and California State ID (from your application)
- Cal State Apply application opens **Oct 1**
- Deadline for most CSU campuses: **Nov 30** (Deadlines may vary by campus)
- After you submit, check your email often for information from CSU
  - Use your personal email address Not your school email address.
  - Please note if you are using a school chromebook you will not be able to access your personal email account on these devices.
- After submitting your application you are not able to make changes.
The Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)

EOPS is designed to improve access and retention of historically low-income and educationally disadvantaged students. The program provides admission and academic assistance to EOP-eligible undergraduate students.

- Some campus deadlines may vary, please check EOP deadlines at: [EOP Deadlines by Term](#).
- To apply, submit the EOP application electronically as part of your Cal State Apply application.
- The EOP application is automatically part of the Supporting Information tile of your Cal State Apply application.
- Make sure to select “Yes” when asked if you are interested in applying to EOP, and complete the EOP application.
- To apply to EOP, you must have two recommendations.
AFTER YOU SUBMIT YOUR CSU APPLICATION

NOVEMBER
BY NOV. 30
Submit CSU application

DECEMBER
BY MAY 1
Submit intent to register, if admitted

JUNE–AUGUST
Attend new student orientation at your CSU campus

AUGUST–SEPTEMBER
Start fall semester at the CSU

SEPTEMBER

NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

JANUARY

FEBRUARY

MARCH

APRIL

MAY

JUNE

JULY

AUGUST

SEPTEMBER

DECEMBER–JANUARY
Receive communication from campus(es), create your student portal account

FEBRUARY–MARCH
Receive decisions from each campus (i.e., admission, denial or waitlist)

JANUARY–FEBRUARY
Check your student portal account; supply any missing items

MARCH–APRIL
Receive financial aid award package, if any

APRIL–JULY
Sign up for New Student Orientation

MAY–JULY
Upload/send final transcript and test scores to the campus you'll be attending
Closing Tips

**DEADLINE** to Submit - **Nov 30th**

After you Apply

- Printout a copy for your records
- Check emails for messages from campuses.
- Any academic changes to your submitted application, should be reported to each campus you applied to.
  - Examples: dropping or adding a class, level changes, fall grade is lower than C, etc.
- All admission decisions are conditional.
  - Verify when the campus you plan to attend received your FINAL Official transcript in July.