Application Dates & Deadlines

Find out which CSU campuses are currently accepting applications, which majors are open or closed, and read any notices from the campus(es) you're interested in.

Term	Priority Application Filing Period*
Fall 2024	October 1, 2023 - November 30, 2023

Students can apply electronically via
www.calstate.edu/apply

- The CSU begins accepting applications for the fall 2024 term October 1.

The fee to apply to the CSU is $70 per campus.

High School Course Requirements ("a-g" courses)

The CSU requires a minimum 15-unit pattern of courses for admission as a first-time freshman. Each unit is equal to a year of study in a subject area. **A grade of C or better is required** for each course you use to meet any subject requirement.

Area	Subject	Years
a.	**History and Social Science** (including 1 year of U.S. history or 1 semester of U.S. history and 1 semester of civics or American government AND 1 year of social science)	2
b.	**English** (4 years of college preparatory English composition and literature)	4
c.	**Math** (4 years recommended) of college preparatory math including or integrating topics covered in algebra, geometry, and intermediate algebra.	3
d.	**Laboratory Science** (2 years of college preparatory science required with laboratory [1 biological and 1 physical]. Integrated science and interdisciplinary courses can meet this requirement.)	2
e.	**Language Other Than English** (2 years or through the second level of high school instruction in the same language; American Sign Language and classical languages such as Latin and Greek are acceptable – See below about a possible waiver of this requirement).	2
f.	**Visual and Performing Arts** (1 year or 2 semester courses from the same discipline required including dance, music, theatre, visual arts or interdisciplinary arts.)	1
g.	**College Preparatory Elective** (additional year chosen from the University of California "a-g" list)	1
Total Required Courses		**15**

CSU Freshman: Testing Requirements

The California State University (CSU) no longer uses ACT or SAT examinations in determining admission eligibility for all CSU campuses. If accepted to a CSU campus, ACT or SAT test scores can be used as one of the measures to place students in the proper mathematics and written communication courses. Visit the CSU Student Success site for further information on course placement. For more information on admission criteria, please visit the First-Time Freshman Guidance and the First-Time Freshman Frequently Asked Questions pages.

Reporting ACT and SAT Scores

If you choose to take the ACT or SAT tests, you may still **report your scores for consideration in course placement.**

ACT

1. Write in your ACT ID correctly onto your Cal State Apply application in the Standardized Tests section. Unsure of your ACT ID? Visit ACT.org.
2. On the ACT score report, you should have listed at least one CSU campus, as the score recipient. This will allow the CSU to send the scores to all campuses in which you applied, based on the matching ACT ID number – so make sure you type this in correctly.
3. You can check to see if your ACT score has been matched to your Cal State Apply application by logging in and reviewing the Check Status page.

If you notice that your ACT scores have not been attached to your Cal State Apply application, contact the Applicant Help Center .

SAT

1. Write in your College Board ID correctly onto your Cal State Apply application in the Standardized Tests section.
2. On the College Board score report, you should have listed a CSU campus, or the CSU systemwide institution code (3594), as the score recipient. This will allow the CSU to send the scores to all campuses in which you applied. To check where your scores were sent, or for more information on locating your College Board ID, visit this page.
3. You can check to see if your ACT score has been matched to your Cal State Apply application by logging in and reviewing the Check Status page. If you notice that your ACT scores have not been attached to your Cal State Apply application, contact the Applicant Help Center.