

California State University (CSU) Admissions & Associate Degree in Transfer (ADT)

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Transfer Center

Workshop Student Learning Outcomes

- To learn about the CSU system
- Understand options for transferring to a CSU campus and identify the best pathway for you
- To understand what an educational plan is
- To learn about the ADT & TAG

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Per the California Master Plan (1960), the California State Universities “shall have as their primary function the provision of instruction in the liberal arts and sciences and in the professions and applied fields which require more than two years of collegiate education and teacher education, both for undergraduate students and graduate students through the master’s degree.”

The following programs are offered at many CSU campuses:

- Teacher Education
- Business Administration
- Nursing and Health Sciences
- Public Administration
- Applied Sciences
- Engineering
- Administration of Justice
- Communication

The following unique majors are offered at some CSU campuses:

- Maritime Transportation
- Enology and Viticulture
- Sustainability
- LGBT and Gender Studies
- Agriculture
- Film and Television Studies
- Architecture
- Forestry

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CSU The California State University

THE 23 OUTSTANDING CAMPUSES OF THE CSU



23 Campuses:

- Each Campus is unique (separately accredited)
- CSU campuses have distinct student populations and programs

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CAL STATE **APPLY**



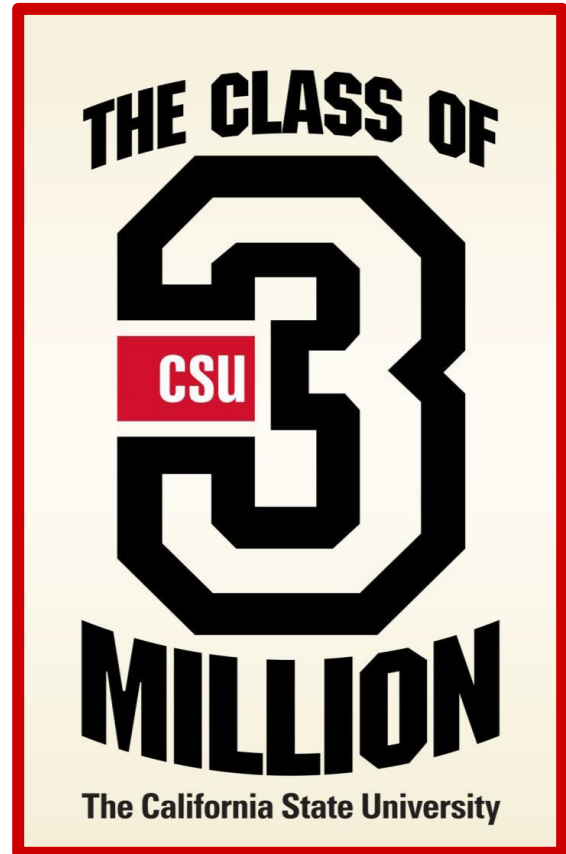
Find your future at the California State University.

With 23 campuses and thousands of degree choices, the CSU is a great place to start your journey. Explore your options below, and start your application today.

- Renowned for the quality of teaching and preparing job-ready graduates
- Educates **460,000** students
 - **95%** of enrolled students are from CA
 - **92%** of new undergraduate transfers are from CA community colleges
- Home to the most ethnically, economically, and academically diverse student body in the nation

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- **ONE** in **TEN** employees in California is a CSU graduate
- CSU awards nearly **HALF** of the state's baccalaureate degrees
- With the graduation of the Class of 2015, the CSU estimates **3 million living alumni**



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CSU receives over **285,000 applications** each year

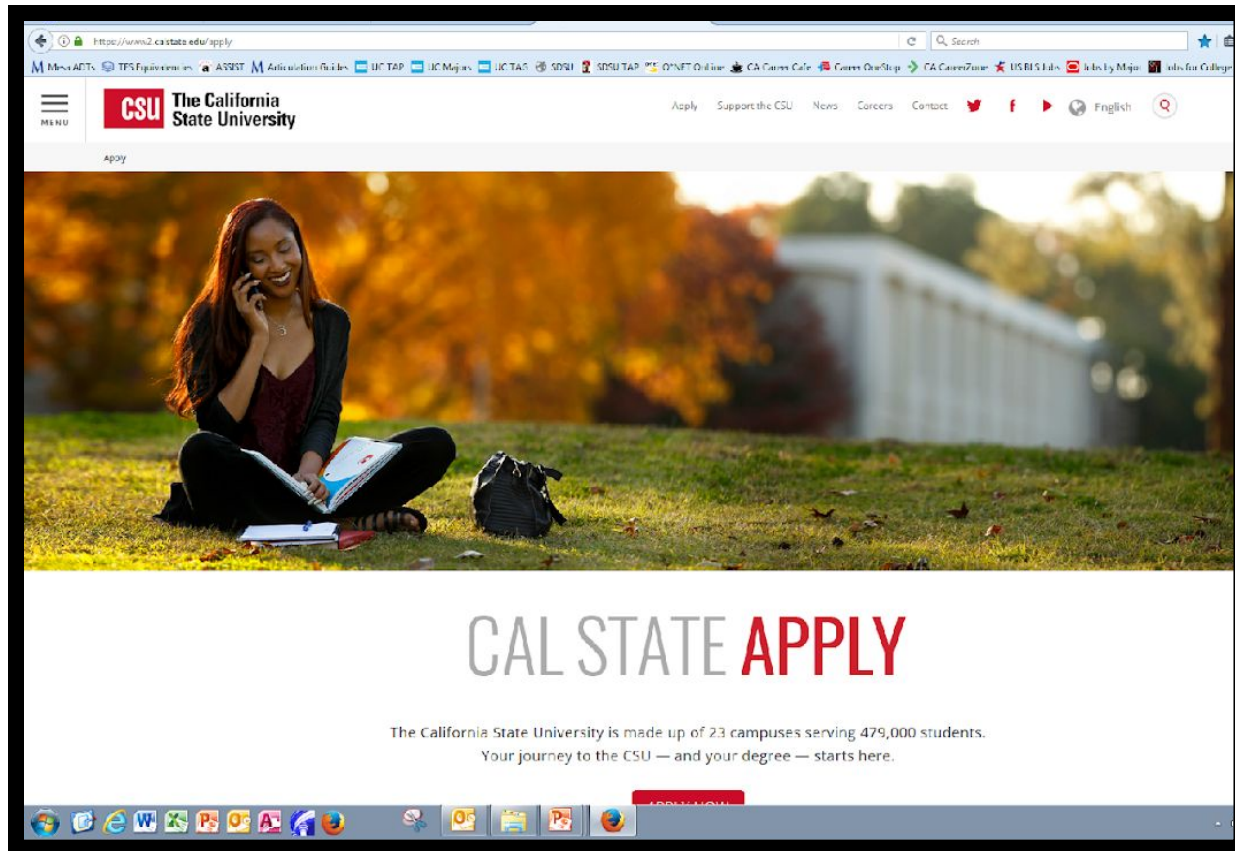
IMPACTION DEFINED: An undergraduate major or CSU campus is designated as impacted when the number of applications received exceeds the number of available spaces, thus creating a more competitive admissions process

[CSU Impacted Undergraduate Majors and Campuses Link](#)

The campuses below are impacted for all undergraduate programs, pre-programs, undeclared/undecided programs are impacted for the following campuses:

- Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
- Fresno State
- CSU Fullerton
- CSU Long Beach
- San Diego State University
- San Jose State

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[www.calstate.edu/apply](https://www2.calstate.edu/apply)

CSU Transfer Admission Requirements

- 60 semester or 90 quarter transferable units
- 30 units of General Education
 - 4 Basic Skills Courses with Grades of “C” or higher
- Major Preparation Courses
- 2.0+ cumulative transferable GPA

1/3 of CSU campuses admit transfer applicants based only on minimum CSU eligibility requirements

Impacted campuses may have stricter admission requirements

Options for Transfer to a CSU:

- **General Transfer Pathway:**
 - Meet minimum CSU transfer requirements
- **Associate's Degree for Transfer (AA-T or AS-T)***
 - Earn an Associate's Degree while completing CSU transfer requirements at the same time
- **Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG – SDSU)***
 - Complete 100% of transfer admission requirements at a local San Diego community college (south of HWY 56) & get guaranteed admission to SDSU

Options for Transfer to a CSU:

60 is the magic number! 

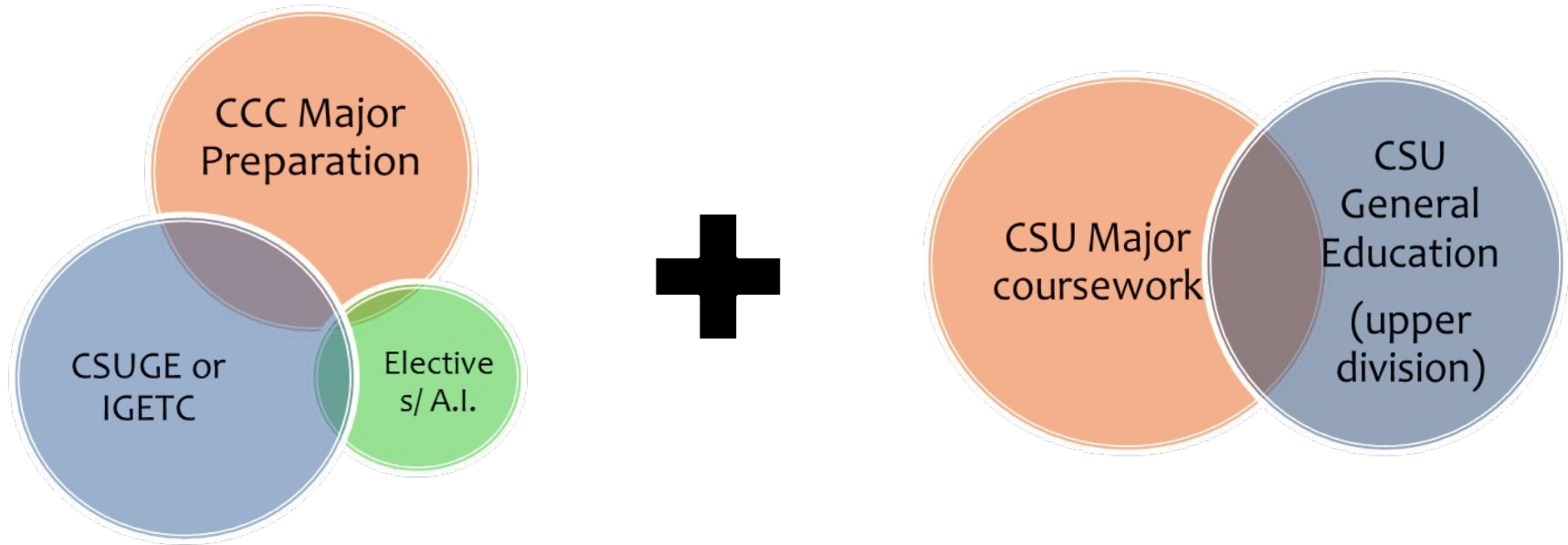
- 60 units is the minimum for transfer to a CSU campus
- 60 units is the minimum to earn an Associate's Degree
- You can do both at the same time at Mesa!

Associate Degrees for Transfer (AA-T or AS-T)

- Senate Bill 1440 mandates each CSU to provide priority admission to California Community College students who have earned an AA-T or AS-T degree
- Students who earn an AA-T or AS-T degree and meet the CSU minimum eligibility requirements are guaranteed admission to 1 CSU campus, but **not necessarily to a particular campus or major**
- May be given a GPA bump (.1) when applying to an impacted campus outside your local area or an impacted major that is deemed similar
- Once admitted at a CSU campus in approved program, students can complete a Bachelor's Degree at CSU campus with 60 semester units or 90 quarter units of coursework.

[I Can Go To College.com](#) Associate Degree for Transfer Web-Page

Associate Degrees for Transfer (AA-T or AS-T)



60 + 60 = YOUR BACHELOR'S DEGREE



Associate Degrees for Transfer (AA-T or AS-T)

- A student may earn an ADT in a particular major, but they are not required to apply to a CSU with the ADT (student choice)
- Students who apply to a major that has two pathway options, will be considered under the general pathway if they do not receive their ADT.
 - It is recommended that a student follow BOTH the Mesa ADT degree plan AND the TAP/ASSIST.ORG major preparation coursework just in case the student does not complete the ADT, they have the option to default to the general pathway option and be competitive

Associate Degrees for Transfer (AA-T or AS-T)

- In order to qualify for the ADT program, students must indicate on their Cal State application that they are applying for a major through the ADT option.
- CSU campus will request electronic verification from the community colleges that students are on track to complete the degree by the end of spring prior to admission
- This program guarantees that students who earn an AA-T or AS-T degree from a California Community College **will be admitted to a CSU campus, but NOT to the campus of their choice.**
 - Due to impaction at some CSU campuses, students who have completed the ADT, but do not have a competitive application will be redirected to another CSU campus for review (chosen by CSU, not individual campus)

SDSU Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)

Requirements: (100% completed at local San Diego CC)

- Completion of a minimum of 60 transferable units
- Golden Four Courses
 - Oral Communication, Written Communication, Critical Thinking, Mathematics
- General Education Courses
 - Complete a certified GE package of 39 units or any applicable lower division GE pattern listed in the SDSU catalog
- Grade Point Average (GPA)
 - Meet the minimum GPA requirement of specific major
- Major Preparation Courses
 - Complete all major preparation courses listed in SDSU catalog

Ed Plan Components

- **General Education:** CSU GE Breadth Pattern or IGETC
- **Major Prep:** www.assist.org
 - **SDSU** – WWW.SDSU.EDU/TAP
- **Electives** (if needed)
- **Mesa AA-T/AS-T: Mesa Catalog**
 - [Mesa Transfer Center ADT Web-Page](#)

CSU Dates & Deadlines:

August 1 – September 30, 2021	Spring 2022 Application Cycle – Apply at calstate.edu/apply
October 1 – November 30, 2021	Fall 2022 Application Cycle - Apply at calstate.edu/apply
October 1, 2021	Apply for Financial Aid at www.fafsa.gov
January 2022	Supplemental Transfer Application for <i>some</i> CSU campuses* (Check individual websites)
January – February 2022	Official transcripts required for <i>some</i> CSU campuses* (Check individual websites)
January – May 2022	ADT verification (Check individual websites)
March – April 2022	Admissions decision released from CSU campuses
May 1, 2022	Intent to Enroll Deadline
May – July 2022	Official transcripts, test scores, etc. required for verification *

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