

Application Tips for the CSU Online Application for AHS Class of 2017

1. To access the online application, go to www.csumentor.edu. The filing period is October 1st through November 30th. You can submit your application as of October 1. Check your email and student account frequently for communication, and be careful of spam guards blocking important emails. Csumentor.edu is filled with information as well as video tutorials to aide you in your application process. Please sure to read all directions when filling out applications. If you have passed the AP exam or have taken community college transferable courses, you are considered a first time freshman with college credit.
2. **You only need to pay a single fee to have your SAT scores sent to multiple CSU campuses! The code number is 3594 for the SAT.** For the ACT, you must initially request that your ACT scores be sent to 1 CSU campus by using the ACT website, then you can release scores to other campuses through “Scores Manager” under the testing tab on CSU mentor.
3. Each campus that you apply to requires an application fee of \$55.
4. If you have financial need, the fee waiver is part of the application. Make sure to fill it out carefully and accurately because you cannot make changes once you submit it. You can apply to up to four campuses with the fee waiver.
5. Check out the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) for low income, educationally disadvantaged students, CA residents, and AB 540 nonresidents. You must submit separate EOP application after submitting campus application; EOP deadlines vary by campus. Note: you are not eligible for EOP if your parent(s) graduated from college in U.S. There is a fee waiver application for undocumented students. EOP applications require 2 recommendations- please consult with your counselor and one teacher prior to submitting the names for these recommendation.
6. **If you are applying to multiple campuses, you will want to submit an application to one campus first.** Add additional campuses only after you finish completing the information for your first campus. Click on the “Express Application Mode” tab to learn more about this process.
7. Many of the CSU campuses are impacted or have impacted programs, you need to go to <http://www.calstate.edu/sas/impactioninfo.shtml> to get more information. Impacted majors and campuses are competitive, and may require more than basic eligibility to be admitted.
8. If you are applying to an impacted campus, we suggest you list an alternate campus that is not impacted.
9. You may apply early decision only at the Cal Poly San Luis Obispo campus. Non-binding Early Action at CSU Maritime for all majors. The deadline date for both of these option is October 31st.
10. SF State is our local service area college. This means that SF State will accept all eligible students from Albany High as long as you have met the course requirements and testing requirements, and you apply by November 30. However, you are not guaranteed admission to the major of your choice if it is impacted.
11. For detailed admissions information and the Eligibility Index, follow this path: go to http://www.csumentor.edu/planning/high_school/eligibility_index.asp then look at the gray box on the right titled “Admission Requirements”. Click on the desired topic.
12. The CSU application will generate an estimate of your GPA when you enter your courses and grades. Use the following link for assistance in calculating your CSU GPA:
http://www.csumentor.edu/planning/high_school/gpa_calculator.asp
13. You must list all courses that you took and grades that you received in grades 9-11 that are on the A-G List (<https://hs-articulation.ucop.edu/agcourselist#/list/search/institution>), even if they are above and beyond the required classes for admission. However, if you are repeating a class because of a low grade (D or F), you only need to post the repeated grade or planned class on your application self-report.
14. Make sure to list all additional non-AHS courses that you have taken that are A-G approved. You will need to add the school/college and then add the course(s).

15. Very important!! Any D or F in senior year, even if not an “a-g” requirement can result in your application being rescinded. If you receive a D or F in the Fall semester, it is your responsibility to report this grade to each campus you applied to.
16. The ACT (with or without writing) or SAT I Reasoning Test should be completed by December. November test dates are recommended for impacted campuses. Neither the ACT Writing Test nor the SAT Subject Tests are required for the CSU system.
17. One Laboratory Science may be from the “g” college prep elective area on the “a-g” UC Course List. Earth Space Science plus a Life Science course will meet the requirement.
18. Options for satisfying the Language Other Than English (LOTE) requirement:
 - a) If you are fluent in another language, you may qualify for a waiver of the “CSU LOTE” subject requirement. The LOTE waiver must be noted on your official high school transcript. On the application, select the course title, "Other" and enter “Waiver of LOTE” in the course title field. Select the “Semester” for the term type. Then enter grades of “Pass” in the four (4) fields – Fall semester; Spring semester, Summer semester 1 and Summer semester 2.
 - b) If you are using an AP or SAT Subject Test Score to validate the LOTE requirement, you may enter the test for subject course credit in Area E. Select the course title "Other" and enter "SAT ST" along with the exam name in the course title field. Example: "SAT ST Spanish". Select the Semester term type. Enter the number of semesters of subject requirement course credit units that you lack, up to a maximum of four (4) semesters of credit, and select 'Pass' for the grade in these semesters.
19. Be sure to list courses that you are currently enrolled in, and instead of a grade, mark “I” for “In Progress.” Second semester courses should be listed as "Planned."
20. If you went to high school in another country and have foreign transcripts, check the application for special instructions.
21. Undocumented students should not enter a social security number, and should mark “Other” for citizenship status. This information is secure and confidential to the University.
22. Transcripts are not sent *unless* requested by the campus. **Be sure to check your email and/or student account regularly.** If a campus requests your transcript, it is your responsibility to notify your counselor. We expect that campuses will be requesting transcripts during the admissions process much more frequently than in past years. **Please note: your final transcript will be sent at the end of the school year to the campus you will be attending.**
23. Please use Naviance to list ALL colleges you are applying to – even if not applying to Privates Many campuses have special honors programs. Check with each campus.
24. Please note that applying undeclared is no longer a safe option - campuses are creating their own indexes (higher than basic eligibility) to rank students who are applying undeclared. For impacted campuses, spots are filled first with students who declare a major.
25. Each individual campus handles housing applications differently. It’s best for you to contact the housing office of each campus to which you are applying to check their procedures. Some campuses suggest that you apply for housing at the same time as admissions. SFSU will allow you to apply for housing after you submit your application. There is no fee until you enroll at the campus.
26. Students with 504 or IEP plans are reminded it is your responsibility to request services registering with Services for Students with Disabilities as soon as he/she is admitted. (Students are encouraged to keep copies of all 504 or IEP plans for his/her personal records.)
27. There are HELP tabs/videos on every page to assist you with completing the application
All students are welcome to bring questions and completed applications to the drop-in Application Assistance Sessions at lunch in the Counseling Office on Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning Oct 10th as well as Mondays after school in room 310.

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Admission Information for First-Time Freshmen, Admitted for Fall 2016

Outside of Local Service Areas

Eligibility Index: $GPA \times 800 + (\text{Old SAT CR} + \text{SAT Math})$ OR $GPA \times 200 + (10 \times \text{ACT Composite})$ CSU Minimum Index: 2900 with SAT, and 694 with ACT
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Campus	Eligibility Indexes for Fall 2016 "OLD" SAT / ACT	Approximate Percent Admit Rate *
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ADMIT USING CSU MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY*

Bakersfield	2900 / 694	66%
Cal Maritime Academy	2900 / 694 Higher Requirements for 4 Impacted Programs, Pass Physical	60%
Channel Islands	2900 / 694	58%
Dominguez Hills	2900 / 694	58%
East Bay	2900 / 694	68%
Stanislaus	2900 / 694	73%

CAMPUS IMPACTION

Chico	3375 / ACT Converted	66%
Humboldt #	3000 / 718 Higher GPAs for Biology, Botany, Wildlife & Zoology	77%
Los Angeles	3300 / 813 Higher Requirements for 8 Impacted Programs	61%
Monterey Bay	2900 / 694 Fall 2015 figures. 2016 figures released October, 2016	52%
Northridge	3900 / 940 Few Admits From Outside Service Area	53%
Pomona	3877 / 946 Higher for 23 Impacted Programs	39%
Sacramento	3200 / 770 Higher Requirements for 7 Impacted Programs	67%
San Bernardino	3468 / 829 Higher Requirements for 4 Impacted Programs	55%
San Francisco	2900 / 694 For High School Graduates in SFSU Service Area	62%
San Marcos	3600 / 862	53%
Sonoma	3206 / 720 Higher Requirements for 10 Impacted Programs	66%

ALL PROGRAMS IMPACTED

Fresno	3900 / 935	58%
Fullerton	3700 / 890	45%
Long Beach	3200 / ACT Converted; Higher for STEM (3300), Nursing and Other Impacted Programs	34%
San Diego	4150 / 1026 Averages	34%
San Jose	2900 to 4300 / 694 to 1021 Ranges, Major Specific	61%
San Luis Obispo	4584 / 1108 Approximate Averages for All 6 Colleges	29%

*Approximate admit rates are from school websites and the College Handbook, 2017, 54th Edition, The College Board, New York, NY

For high school graduates in Humboldt State University Service Area, which includes graduates from the San Francisco Bay Area

Note: Non-impacted campuses may have impacted majors