First-Time Freshman Guide

We see the Titan spirit in you! Here, at California State University, Fullerton, experiential learning opportunities and innovation inspire you to broaden your educational experience. A strong network of classmates and alumni elevate you. Choose an in-demand university where Titans Reach Higher.

California State University, Fullerton is recognized as a top national university and one of the nation’s “most innovative” institutions. With more than 40,000 students, CSUF is a top choice in the region. As a leader within the 23-campus California State University system, we offer 109 exceptional degree programs, including 57 undergraduate degrees.

**Admission to CSUF is a highly competitive process.** As an impacted campus, there are more qualified applicants than we are able to accommodate. All freshman applicants must anticipate more rigorous standards in the admissions review process than the minimum CSU eligibility. It is very important to be well-prepared academically and to adhere to all deadlines.

To ensure a fair process for all applicants, the Eligibility Index requirement will not be determined until after the priority application filing period ends on Dec. 15, 2018. The index is based on grade point average and SAT scores, as well as the number of applications received, the competitiveness of the pool, and the number of enrollment spaces available.

### 1. Deadlines

Because CSUF is an impacted campus and enrollment space is limited, **all of the deadlines listed below will be strictly enforced.** If a deadline is missed, your admission may be rescinded. Please check your CSUF student portal at my.fullerton.edu regularly for important communications regarding your status.

**October**
- APPLY at calstate.edu/apply for Fall 2019 admission to CSUF by submitting your online application between Oct. 1 and Dec. 15, 2018. The priority application deadline is Dec. 15, 2018.

**December**
- TAKE the SAT or ACT no later than the December 2018 test date. Register at sat.collegeboard.org or act.org.

**February**
- SUBMIT official SAT or ACT scores to the Office of Admissions, to be received no later than Feb. 1, 2019.

**March**
- CHECK status of math/quantitative reasoning and written communication placement at my.fullerton.edu.

**April**
- CHECK Early Start Program status

**May**
- LAST DAY to pay non-refundable $250 enrollment deposit and ACCEPT your CSUF admission at my.fullerton.edu is May 1, 2019.
- REGISTER for mandatory Orientation at fullerton.edu/orientation by May 1, 2019.

**June**
- FULFILL high school graduation requirements, maintaining appropriate GPA.
- ATTEND your mandatory Orientation session scheduled for June, July or August 2019.

**July**
- SUBMIT your final official high school transcript to CSUF Office of Admissions, to be received no later than July 15, 2019.

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**FRESHMAN ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Apply as soon as possible. The filing period for fall admission is **Oct. 1, 2018 - Dec. 15, 2018**. Apply online at [calstate.edu/apply](http://calstate.edu/apply). Check your admission status at [fullerton.edu/titanonline](http://fullerton.edu/titanonline).

After applying, you will be assigned a CSUF email address accessible through your student portal at [my.fullerton.edu](http://my.fullerton.edu). It is important to check your portal regularly. You will receive a campuswide ID (CWID), which you will need in all contact with the university.

Admissions is a 3-step process. All freshman students who are offered admission for Fall 2019 and intend to enroll must accept the offer on their student portal, pay the enrollment deposit of $250 (non-refundable) and register for orientation, by **May 1, 2019**. Visit [fullerton.edu/admissions](http://fullerton.edu/admissions) for details.

**High School Course Requirements**

Complete the A-G course pattern with a grade of C- or better.

- **A** U.S. History and Social Science: 2 years, including 1 year of U.S. history or U.S. history and government
- **B** English: 4 years of college-preparatory English
- **C** Mathematics: 3 years of algebra, geometry and intermediate algebra - Common Core Integrated Math I, II, III
- **D** Laboratory Science: 2 years, including 1 year biological, 1 year physical
- **E** Language other than English: 2 years of the same language
- **F** Visual and Performing Arts: 1 year of same course in one discipline - art, dance, drama/theatre or music
- **G** Electives: 1 year selected from the University of California A-G list, [ucop.edu/agguide](http://ucop.edu/agguide)

All A-G requirements must be completed by high school graduation. No makeup or other summer courses will be allowed for admission. Senior-year grades will be verified. Students who do not receive a C- grade or better in all senior-year A-G courses might have their admission rescinded.

**SAT/ACT**

All freshmen must submit test scores from either the SAT or the ACT regardless of grade point average. Please note: If the SAT or ACT test is taken more than once, we will give students the benefit of the highest overall scores received, instead of the highest scores received at an individual sitting. CSUF does not include the writing scores from either test in the computation of the Eligibility Index.

**CSU Eligibility Index**

To calculate your eligibility index from your SAT score, first multiply your GPA by 800. Add that total to your new SAT score (EBRW and Mathematics only). **SAT: (GPA x 800) + SAT EBRW + SAT Mathematics = CSU Eligibility Index**

To calculate your eligibility index from your ACT score, first multiply your GPA by 200 and add that total to 10 times the ACT composite score. **ACT: (GPA x 200) + (ACT Composite x 10) = CSU Eligibility Index**

*Note: High school GPA is calculated using only the grades from A-G courses in the 10th, 11th and 12th grades.*

**TUITION & FEES**

Undergraduate fees per semester as of Fall 2018

- CA Residents: more than 6 units: $3,447*
- CA Residents: 6 units or less: $2,241*
- Non-California Residents: Add $396 per unit* (in addition to basic tuition and fees)

*Fees are subject to change. Please visit [sfs.fullerton.edu](http://sfs.fullerton.edu).

**FINANCIAL AID**

Cal State Fullerton offers an array of financial aid, including federal and state grants, scholarships, and student loan programs. To be eligible for any financial aid, you must complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) at [fafsa.gov](http://fafsa.gov) by **March 2, 2019**. For more information about financial aid, visit [fullerton.edu/financialaid](http://fullerton.edu/financialaid). Visit [dream.csac.ca.gov](http://dream.csac.ca.gov) for The California Dream Act application.

**CONTACTS**

For more information, see campus directory at [apps.fullerton.edu/directory](http://apps.fullerton.edu/directory).

Use phone number 657-278-Ext.

Admissions | 3100
Campus Tours | 2501
Financial Aid | 3125
Outreach, Recruitment and Orientation | 2086

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