

Be A Titan

Fall 2021 First-Time Freshman Guide

ABOUT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FULLERTON (CSUF)

Cal State Fullerton is a leading campus of the CSU, serving as an intellectual and cultural center for Southern California and driver of workforce and economic development. With roughly 40,000 students, CSUF is an in-demand choice in the region. U.S. News & World Report ranks CSUF as No. 3 on its Top Public School list and top regional universities of the West. CSUF is Accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission and a designated Hispanic Serving Institution.

ADMISSIONS PROCESS & REQUIREMENTS

California State University Fullerton will temporarily suspend the use of ACT/SAT examinations in determining admission eligibility for the 2021-2022 academic year. ***This temporary change of admission eligibility applies only for the Fall 2021 application cycle.***

To ensure a fair process for all applicants, the GPA requirements will not be determined until after the priority application filing period ends on **December 4, 2020***. It will be based on the number of applications received, the competitiveness of the pool, and the number of enrollment spaces available. **Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the deadline has been extended for this year only.**

To determine first-time freshman admission CSUF will rank order applicants by their "A-G" GPA for the entire freshman applicant pool. This includes applicants that meet the following criteria:

- **California residents and graduates of California high schools with a 2.50 or greater "A-G" GPA.**
- **Non-California residents earning a 3.00 or greater "A-G" GPA**

All freshmen applicants that are in the Cal State Fullerton Local Admission Area will receive first priority admission preference through an approximate **0.3 "A-G" GPA bump**. For example, if your "A-G" GPA is 3.2 as a local area applicant we will record your "A-G" GPA as a 3.5 GPA for admission purposes.

Students must meet all of the following requirements for admission to CSUF:

- **Be a high school graduate or equivalent**
- **Complete the 15-unit comprehensive "A-G" coursework (see below)**
- **Earn a qualifying "A-G" grade point average (GPA)**

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete A-G coursework with a grade of C- or higher. Visit ucop.edu/agguide for details.

- U.S. History and Social Science** - 2 years of college preparatory history/social science, including: one year of world history, cultures or historical geography, and one year of U.S. history; or one half-year of U.S. history and one-half year of civics or American government.
- English** - 4 years of college-preparatory English.
- Mathematics** - 3 years of algebra, geometry, and intermediate algebra - Common Core Integrated Math I, II, III (4 years recommended).
- Laboratory Science** - 2 years, including 1 year biological, 1 year physical.
- Language other than English** - 2 years of the same language.
- Visual and Performing Arts** - 1 year of the same course in one discipline - art, dance, drama/theatre or music.
- Electives** - 1 year selected from the University of California A-G list (ucop.edu/agguide)

All A-G coursework must be completed by high school graduation. No makeup or other summer courses will be allowed for admissions. Senior-year grades will be verified. Students who do not receive a C- grade or higher in all senior year A-G courses may have their admissions withdrawn.

IMPACTION

Cal State Fullerton is a fully impacted campus. Impaction means there are more applicants for our campus than can be accommodated. To ensure capacity is not exceeded, more rigorous standards are applied to the freshman applicant pool. Impacted criteria may include local vs. out-of-local and/or major program impaction.

FRESHMAN Quick Facts

39,868

Students enrolled at
CSUF in Fall 2019

110

Degree programs
offered

25:1

Average Student to
Faculty Ratio

Important Links

Calstate.edu/apply:

Apply online, plan for college
and obtain financial aid
information

FAFSA.gov:

Apply for financial aid online

dream.csac.ca.gov:

Apply for the CA Dream Act

CSUF Bound

CHECKLIST AND DEADLINES

CSUF is an impacted campus and enrollment space is limited, therefore all of the deadlines listed below are strictly enforced. If a deadline is missed, your application may be withdrawn. Please check your CSUF student portal at my.fullerton.edu regularly for important communications regarding your status. Below are some key tasks and deadlines to keep you on track with the admissions process.

1 APPLY

- ☐ **OCTOBER 1, 2020 - DECEMBER 4, 2020 | CAL STATE APPLY**
Apply online at calstate.edu/apply for Fall 2021 admissions. The priority application deadline is **December 4, 2020**.
- ☐ After submitting your application, you will receive an e-mail that contains your **Campus Wide ID (CWID)** and login instructions. Activate and regularly check your student portal and CSUF email for updates on your admissions status. You must clear any "hold" or "to do" items listed under the Student Center.
- ☐ **OCTOBER 1, 2020 - MARCH 2, 2021 | FINANCIAL AID**
Submit the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** or **CA Dream Act** application for the 2021-2022 academic year. Any student interested in being considered for any type of financial assistance must apply by **March 2, 2021**.

2 PAY ATTENTION TO DEADLINES

- ☐ **FEBRUARY 15, 2021 | Submit All Required Documents on To-Do List**
The to-do list is in the Student Center page of your CSUF Student Portal. Only official transcripts will be accepted. Do not send unofficial transcripts.
- ☐ **May 1, 2021 | Accept Your Offer of Admissions and Pay Enrollment Deposit**
All students who are offered admission for Fall 2021 and intend to enroll must accept the offer on their Student Portal by May 1, 2021. A non-refundable enrollment deposit of \$250 is required. Visit admissions.fullerton.edu for details.
- ☐ **May 1, 2021 | Check Your E-mail For Orientation Updates**
Check your CSUF e-mail regularly for information regarding orientation. Orientation updates can also be found at fullerton.edu/orientation.
- ☐ **July 15, 2021 | Submit Final Official High School Transcript**
Submit Official Transcript. Visit admissions.fullerton.edu for details.

3 PARTICIPATE IN NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

All incoming new students are required to complete an orientation prior to enrolling in their first semester at CSUF. For more information, visit your Student Portal, CSUF e-mail and the Titan Orientation Programs website: **Titan Orientation Programs** website: fullerton.edu/orientation.

Contacts & Resources

Admissions

admissions.fullerton.edu

Virtual Guided Campus Tours

fullerton.edu/tours

Office of Financial Aid

fullerton.edu/financialaid

Tuition and Fee Information Student Business Services

sbs.fullerton.edu

Housing & Residential Engagement

fullerton.edu/housing

Titan Orientation Programs

fullerton.edu/orientation



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