“Forbidden Four”—CSU Non-Admission and Restrictions

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(When campuses are over enrollment targets, these are referred to as the forbidden four, but when campuses are under target, they are called “the forgiven four.”)

NON-ADMISSION AND RESTRICTIONS
Consistent with the enrollment reduction necessity, California Student University Enrollment Management Policy and Practices (found in the attachment to AA-2002-48) and the CSU objective to improve undergraduate progress to degree, the CSU will not admit these categories of prospective students, beginning with the 2004-05 cycle.

• Lower-division transfer applicants.
Lower-division students have earned less than 60 semester (90 quarter) units of transferable coursework and can continue to earn credit at their home campus or at California Community College. These students should be counseled to apply for admission to the CSU once they meet upper-division admission criteria.

• Upper-division transfer applicants who are not fully eligible.
These college students have earned enough transferable units to qualify in the upper division but have not completed all of the ["golden"] four basic general education courses*. These students should be counseled to complete the courses required for admission prior to transfer to the CSU.

• Unclassified postbaccalaureate applicants seeking a second baccalaureate.
Unclassified postbaccalaureate applicants who are seeking a second baccalaureate may be admitted in nursing, science, engineering, mathematics, and other areas of critical need.

• Other unclassified postbaccalaureate applicants
Unclassified postbaccalaureate applicants (not seeking a second baccalaureate in an area of critical need) may be admitted only if no eligible upper-division transfer or eligible first-time freshman applicant is denied admission.

*The “Golden Four” are these CSU General Education Breadth requirements that must be completed satisfactorily before admission to the CSU:

Area A1  Oral Communication
Area A2  Written Communication
Area A3  Critical Thinking
Area B4  Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning