Freshman Application Checklist

When you’re ready to begin your application to the CSU, be sure you have these items on hand:

☐ Unofficial transcripts (both high school and college transcripts, if applicable)  You’ll be asked to enter all the courses you’ve completed on your CSU application; those that are currently in progress; and any you plan to take. Transcripts will be requested by campuses as needed.

☐ Your Social Security number, if you have one.

☐ Your citizenship status

☐ Credit card or PayPal account  Application fees are due at time of submission.

☐ Annual income  Your parents’ if you are a dependent; your income if you are independent

☐ Educational Program, Work and Extracurricular Participation Information  You will need to provide the years you participated in college preparation programs and your average number of hours per week of work and/or participation in extracurricular activities.

☐ Information needed to apply to EOP (if applying)  See the Apply to EOP website for information about materials needed to complete the optional EOP application.

☐ Test scores  Optional; if you have taken or plan to take the ACT, SAT, AP, IB exams, you may include the information on the application. Reporting test scores is not required. SAT and ACT scores will not be used for determining who gets admitted into the CSU. If you are accepted, the campus will use official test scores to for placement into mathematics and English courses.

☐ California statewide student ID  Optional; every K-12 student in a California public school is assigned an ID number. The number should be printed on your transcript.