

**CSU** The California State University

# FIND YOUR PLACE AT THE CSU



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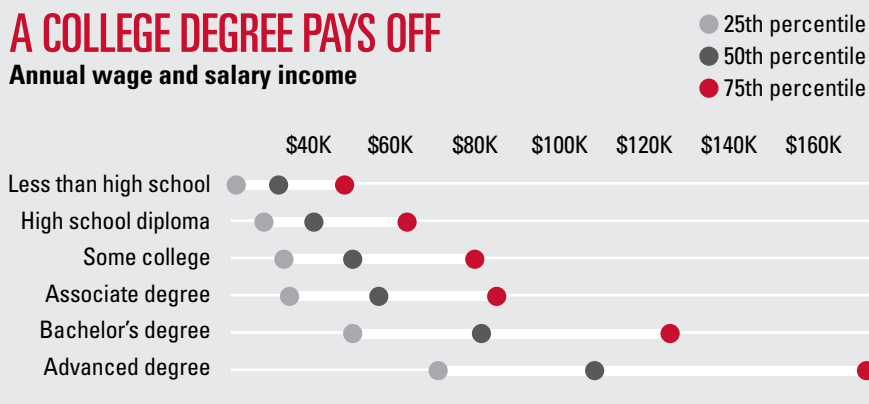


## FIND LIFE-CHANGING POSSIBILITIES

From Cal Poly Humboldt in the north to Fresno State in the central valley to San Diego State in the south and all the vibrant cities in between, the CSU offers you more choices and connections than any other public university. When you attend the CSU, you're joining a community from across the nation and around the world. Our students come from California's wide range of cultures and traditions, and you'll tap into an alumni network that's four million graduates strong thriving in technology, entertainment, public health, environmental science, education, and more.

### A COLLEGE DEGREE PAYS OFF

Annual wage and salary income



SOURCE: American Community Survey, 1-year Estimates, 2021.

## THE CSU ADVANTAGE

When you enroll at the CSU you have access to:

- ▶ More than 4,000 job-ready degree programs, many in California's leading industries
- ▶ Hands-on research in the classroom and in the field
- ▶ Career and internship support that can give you an advantage in the job market
- ▶ Flexible ways to learn, including online and hybrid (a mix of in-person and online) classes
- ▶ Mentoring by world-class faculty for research and entrepreneurial, creative and scholarly work

## FIND COMMUNITY AND CONNECTION

Everyone is welcome at the CSU. It is our diversity, in fact, that fuels our collective greatness and makes it possible for students to find a sense of belonging and community.

During your time at the CSU, community will likely come to mean many different things to you: The lasting friendships you create. The world-class teaching and hands-on learning opportunities you'll experience. And the professional network you start to form—one you can rely on throughout your career.

We also define student success as how you succeed both in and outside the classroom. Academic support such as tutoring, academic advisement and career services can be found at every university as well as opportunities to expand your learning through study abroad and internships. You can also access a wide range of services to support your mental and emotional well-being.

“The work I did at the CSU prepared me to handle whatever job I got.”

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**SALAM ALI**  
Alumna, Chico State



“San Francisco State gave me a sense of community as a young Kenyan immigrant and a sense of belonging in a country where I knew less than 10 people... It also affirmed to me that hard work, focus and drive could be rewarding.”

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**DR. CHRIS WACHIRA**  
Alumna, San Francisco State

## FIND FUNDING FOR YOUR DEGREE

Did you know the CSU provides the most affordable higher education compared to similar institutions across the country? And if you need financial help, you're not alone: More than 80% of CSU students receive some kind of financial aid.

Financial aid can include any of the following, or a combination of sources of funding:

- ▶ Grants
- ▶ Scholarships
- ▶ Fellowships
- ▶ Work-Study
- ▶ Aid for teachers and veterans
- ▶ Loans

"No one in my family has ever attended college and created a career. Being the first one to earn a degree means I get to set an example for my siblings and inspire them to attend college. It means I will be able to have a career I like instead of a job I applied to just because I needed it."

**MARIA ESMERALDA ESPINOZA**  
Alumna, CSU Bakersfield





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