Top 5 DOs and DON’Ts for Filling Out Your Freshman Application

**DO** review the [Freshman Application Guide](https://calstate.edu/apply/freshman) and the [Fall 2022 First-Time Freshman Guidance](https://calstate.edu/apply/freshman) page for help filling out your application.

**DON’T** start your application late. Instead, take your time and submit early to avoid stress. Fall 2022 freshman applications open up October 1st, so feel free to get started right away!

**DO** complete your [Extended Profile](https://calstate.edu/apply/freshman) correctly. Make sure you are selecting “First Bachelor’s” degree. Need help? Visit the [Help Center](https://calstate.edu/apply/freshman). The customer support team is here to help with any issues you may have.

**DON’T** leave out your in progress (currently taking) high school courses. These will be used to calculate your total years earned towards the A-G requirements.

Ready to submit? **DO** first, stop and review your application carefully. After you submit, you will not be able to make changes. Be sure to check that you selected the CSU campus(es) you intended to apply to.

**DON’T** fill in your application from memory. Instead, be sure to have a copy of your unofficial high school transcripts to enter your courses and match A-G. Have an [official](https://calstate.edu/apply/freshman) college transcript for college credit, if applicable.

**DO** review the [Fee Waiver Checklist](https://calstate.edu/apply/freshman) to see if you may be eligible for an [application fee waiver](https://calstate.edu/apply/freshman) prior to submitting.

**DON’T** create your Cal State Apply account with an email you rarely use. Instead, provide an email address you check regularly since official communications about the application process are sent via email.

**DO** visit the [Dates and Deadlines](https://calstate.edu/apply/freshman) page to see what programs are available at each CSU campus since this information can change each application cycle.

**DON’T** enter high school courses that do not meet an A-G requirement. Instead, only enter high school courses that can be matched to A-G. Reminder: ALL college credit should be entered, even if not taken for A-G.

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