Amendments to Title 5: Discontinuation of Standardized Examinations for CSU Undergraduate Admission

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Pandemic Pivot

• Application and financial aid support via online workshops
• Expanded support hours
• Temporary suspension of test scores in admission criteria
• Creation of minimum eligibility
CSU Minimum Eligibility
Prior to Pandemic

- High school graduate
- Completion of “a-g” courses
- CSU Eligibility Index:
  - Qualifying GPA
  - Qualifying SAT or ACT test scores

CSU Minimum Eligibility
Academic Years 2021-2023

- High school graduate
- Completion of “a-g” courses
- Qualifying GPA
- California residents:
  - Minimum 2.5 GPA (C+) or
  - 2.0 to 2.49 GPA with supplemental factors
Multi-Factor Admission Score
Sample of Current Factors

- "a-g" GPA
- Subject-specific GPA
- First-generation student
- Extracurricular activities
- Leadership roles
- Attending school with high percentage free/reduced meals

Recommendation:
Permanent discontinuation of standardized test scores (SAT and ACT) in CSU admission

Next Steps:
- CSU Board of Trustees votes on Title 5 change in March 2022
- If approved, Admission Advisory Council finalizes CSU Minimum Eligibility recommendations for Chancellor’s review and approval
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Proposed Changes to Title 5

• Section § 40601 – Eligibility Index
• Sections § 40751 and 40801 – Alternative Bases for Admission
• Section § 40752 – Entrance Examination Requirement
• Section § 40802 – Entrance Examinations