Community College Counselor Update - January 2024

Admissions

Fall 2024 Admission - Extended Deadlines

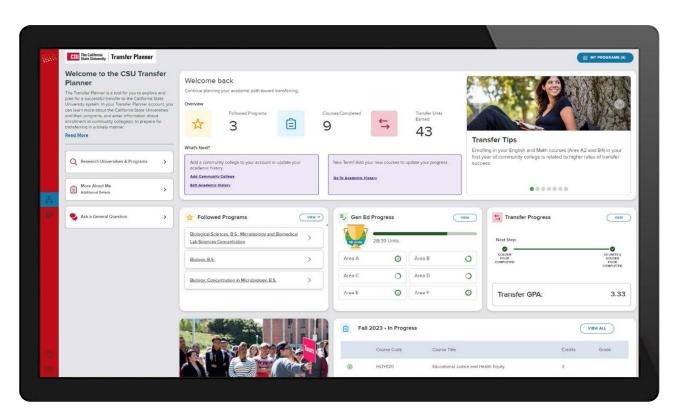
Several CSU campuses are still accepting transfer applications. Visit our <u>application</u> <u>dates & deadlines page</u> and use the "Is Your Campus Still Accepting Applications?" feature to view open campus programs and their deadlines.

Transfer Academic History Update

As part of the application process, the CSU requests transfer applicants update their academic history information in <u>Cal State Apply</u> during the month of January. Fall 2024 transfer applicants can now make academic history updates in Cal State Apply through **Wednesday, January 31, 2024**. Applicants received an email with instructions and access to the <u>2024-2025 Academic History Update Guide</u> on January 5 and will receive additional reminders this week.

The <u>2024-2025 Academic History Update Guide</u> now provides clarification of what specific updates, additions and deletions can be made in the academic history section of Cal State apply during this period (page 4).

CSU Transfer Planner Launch and Webinar



The California State University (CSU) has launched the free online CSU Transfer Planner to help streamline the transfer process for the more than 90,000 community college students seeking to earn their four-year degree at one of the 23 universities in the CSU system.

The CSU Transfer Planner helps students create a centralized resource to track their community college coursework and maximize time to degree completion. With the CSU Transfer Planner, students can:

- Learn more about any of the 23 California State Universities, their programs and transfer-admission requirements
- Save degree programs of interest to their online account
- Log their community college coursework to track general education progress and compare their current GPA against the transfer-admission requirements
- Receive helpful tips about how to efficiently transfer to their chosen CSU campus

Eligible students interested in a guaranteed spot at a CSU campus can also use the Transfer Planner to enroll in the Transfer Success Pathway dual admission program —announced earlier this year.

Future plans for the Transfer Planner include developing an integration with the Cal State Apply platform to create a seamless transition of data and application experience for students.

Students can create a free CSU Transfer Planner account today at https://csutransfer.myliaison.com. For additional information, visit the CSU Transfer website.

CSU Transfer Planner Webinar for Community College Counselors

To learn more about the new features that will be available as a part of this next phase, we invite you to register for our CSU Transfer Planner for Community College Counselors webinar on January 30, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. This session will be recorded. New CSU Transfer Planner features will support transfer students and provide a seamless transition to a CSU.

Register for the Webinar

Financial Aid

Free Application for Federal Student Aid and California Dream Act Application
The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form and California Dream Act
Application (CADAA) opened on December 31, 2023. As a result of the FAFSA soft
launch, the form was iavailable periodically, however, the U.S. Department of Education
recently announced that the FAFSA form is now available 24/7.

The state deadline to file these applications is April 2, 2024, however, the CSU encourages students to submit by March 2, 2024.

2023-2024 Annual Statewide Financial Aid Workshops

The California Student Aid Commission is offering statewide financial aid workshops through February 2024.

Workshops will include training on the upcoming changes:

- **New** Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- New CA Dream Act Application (CADAA)
- New Cal Grant Reforms

Register for a financial aid workshop.

The CSU on Instagram

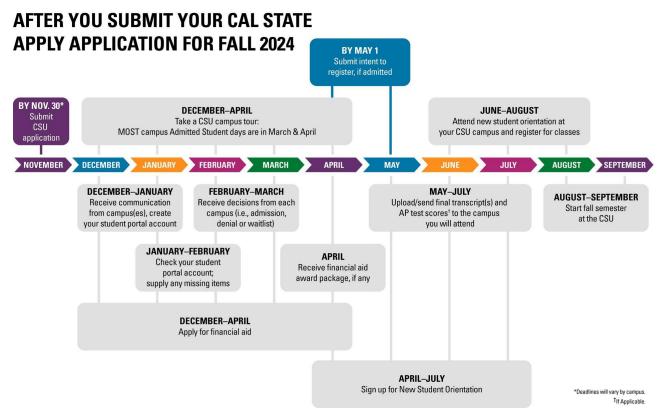
Students and counselors are encouraged to follow <u>@thecsu</u> on Instagram. Stay tuned for Instagram Reels in February 2024 that will address financial aid questions.

Reminders and Clarifications

EOP Recommendation Request Deadline - January 31, 2024

If an applicant requests a letter of recommendation for the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP), Cal State Apply will automatically select a default deadline date two weeks from the date the applicant submits the request (e.g., if the recommendation request is submitted on January 1, the EOP deadline date automatically selects January 15). The default date cannot be changed. However, if the default deadline date passes, a recommender will still be able to submit a recommendation. All recommendations must be submitted by the documents deadline of **January** 31, 2024, unless noted otherwise on the EOP Admission by Term and Deadlines page.

You've Applied to the CSU: Now What?



Share this article with your students who already submitted their applications and are wondering what to expect in the near future.

CSU Survey Coming Your Way

You may receive an email in the near future from **SimpsonScarborough** inviting you to take an online survey to explore your attitudes and opinions about the California State University. Your input is highly valued, and we hope you choose to participate. If you do not want to receive survey related communications, please email calstate.edu to opt-out.

CSU News

ON THE PATH TO TRANSFER

New Online Tool Helps Community College Students Track Their Journey to a Four-year Degree. The CSU Transfer Planner is now available to any California Community College student.

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CSU CORPS STRENGTH

CSU students and alumni make a significant impact on California communities through the #CaliforniansForAll College Corps program.

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CSU'S IMPACT ON HIGH SCHOOL LITERACY

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