FIRST-TIME FRESHMAN INFORMATION GUIDE
Thank you for considering applying to California State University, Fullerton!
You’ve made an excellent choice. In fact, we’re consistently recognized nationally as a top public comprehensive university in the West – for very good reason.
With more than 38,000 students, Cal State Fullerton is an in-demand choice. Applying to CSUF is a competitive process, so it’s important to be well-prepared academically and meet all stated deadlines and other requirements to ensure your application is processed.

# Checklist

**OCT. 1**  APPLY for fall 2016 admission to Cal State Fullerton by submitting your online application between October 1 and November 30. Apply online at CSUmentor.edu.

**NOV. 30**  LAST DAY to apply for fall 2016.

**DEC.**  TAKE the SAT I or ACT no later than December. Register at sat.collegeboard.org or act.org.

**JAN.**  APPLY for financial aid in early January at fafsa.ed.gov

**FEB. 2**  SUBMIT official SAT I or ACT scores to Cal State Fullerton, to be received no later than February 2, 2016.

**MAR. 2**  LAST DAY to apply for priority consideration for Financial Aid is March 2, 2016.

**MAR. 20**  SUBMIT 7th semester transcripts to be received no later than March 20, 2016.

**MAY 1**  LAST DAY to pay $250 enrollment deposit and accept your to CSUF admission at my.fullerton.edu.

**MAY 2**  LAST DAY to take all required ELM and EPT placement tests. Please visit fullerton.edu/testing.

**MAY**  REGISTER for mandatory New Student Orientation at fullerton.edu/orientation.

**MAY**  CHECK ELM/EPT and Early Start Program status.

**JUNE**  FULFILL high school graduation requirements, maintaining appropriate GPA.

**JULY 15**  SUBMIT final official high school transcript to be received no later than July 15, 2016.

# High School Course Requirements
Complete the A to G course pattern with a grade of C or better.

- **A**  U.S. History and Social Science 2 years including 1 year of U.S. History and 1 year of social science
- **B**  English 4 years of college preparatory English
- **C**  Mathematics 3 years required, 4 recommended algebra, geometry and intermediate algebra
- **D**  Laboratory Science 2 years required, 3 recommended (1 year biological, 1 year physical)
- **E**  Language other than English; 2 years in the same language (3 years recommended)
- **F**  Visual and Performing Arts 1 year of same course in one discipline: art, dance, drama/theatre or music
- **G**  Electives 1 year selected from the University of California “A-G” list, hs-articulation.ucop.edu/agcourseslist

All A-G requirements must be completed by June of the senior year. No makeup or other summer courses will be allowed for admission.

Senior-year grades will be verified. Students who do not receive a “C” grade or better in all senior-year A-G courses may have their admission rescinded.

Stated deadlines are strictly enforced. Students who miss a stated deadline may have their application cancelled or their admission rescinded.

Please check your CSUF student portal for additional deadlines/requirements at my.fullerton.edu.

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Exemptions from the EPT
- A result of 'Standard Exceeded: Ready for CSU or participating CCC college-level coursework in English' on the CAASPP Early Assessment Program (EAP) exam.
- The following Conditionally Exempt statuses require students to continue their preparation in the 12th grade by taking an approved English course and earn a grade of 'C' or better. Students that do not meet the conditional requirement will need to participate in the CSU’s Early Start Program, unless exemption was met through another pathway.
  - A critical reading SAT score of 500 or more
  - A score of 22 or above on the ACT English Test
  - A score of 3 or above in the Language and Composition or Literature and Composition College Board Advanced Placement Program
  - Completion and transfer to the CSU of a transferable college course that satisfies the English composition requirement provided such a course was completed with a grade of C or better and before New Student Orientation program

Exemptions from the ELM
- A result of 'Standard Exceeded: Ready for CSU or participating CCC college-level coursework in mathematics' on the CAASPP Early Assessment Program (EAP) exam.
- The following Conditionally Exempt statuses require students to continue their preparation in the 12th grade by taking an approved math course and earn a grade of 'C' or better. Students that do not meet the conditional requirement will need to participate in the CSU’s Early Start Program, unless they meet other Early Start Program exemptions.
  - A score of 550 or above on the mathematics section of either the College Board SAT or SAT I: Reasoning Test, or SAT II: Mathematics Test
  - A score of 23 or above on the ACT Mathematics Test
  - A score of 3 or above on the College Board Advanced Placement Mathematics examination (Calculus AB or BC, or Statistics)
  - Completion and transfer to the CSU of a college course that satisfies the requirement in Quantitative Reasoning provided such a course was completed with a grade of C or better and before New Student Orientation program

SAT I/ACT
All freshmen must submit test scores from either the SAT I of the College Board or the ACT regardless of grade point average. Please Note: If the SAT I or ACT test is taken more than once, we will give students the benefit of the highest overall scores received, instead of the highest scores received at an individual sitting. CSUF does not include the writing scores from either test in the computation of the Eligibility Index.

CSU Eligibility Index
To calculate your eligibility index from your SAT score: Multiply your GPA by 800. Add that total to your SAT score (critical reading and math only). To calculate your eligibility index from your ACT score: Multiply your GPA by 200 and add that total to ten times the ACT composite score. Formulas are below:

SAT: \[(\text{GPA} \times 800) + \text{SAT score} = \text{CSU Eligibility Index}\]
ACT: \[(\text{GPA} \times 200) + (\text{ACT score} \times 10) = \text{CSU Eligibility Index}\]

Note: High school GPA is calculated using only the grades from A-G courses in the 10th, 11th and 12th grades.