

CSU Campus Selection Guidelines for 2018-19

The California State University (CSU) is the country's largest four-year university system with 23 campuses located throughout the state of California offering bachelor and master degree programs in over 350 subject areas. All campuses are open to exchange students although places at some campuses may be competitive. Some subject areas at various campuses are restricted (with limited space available) or impacted (oversubscribed) which are therefore closed to exchange students.

To nominated students from institutions with an exchange agreement with the CSU: Please read the following information carefully as it will provide guidance on selecting appropriate CSU campuses for your exchange application.

1. Selecting CSU Campuses for Exchange

To find campuses which offer a specific subject area of interest, visit the website, <http://degrees.calstate.edu/>. Use the search engine to find which campuses offer a specific subject area but do **not** use that website to apply for exchange. This website is meant to only assist you with finding which campuses offer subject areas of interest. Then, refer to pages 2 and 3 of this document, as well as CSU Campus Profiles on our website, for listings of impacted/closed and restricted/limited subject areas for each campus. Once you have identified possible campus choices, visit the websites of the campus to search for subjects (courses/modules) and their descriptions. More information about subjects can be found at <http://csuip.calstate.edu/> under "Incoming Exchange" and "CSU Subject/Course Information".

Since some campuses are very competitive and have limited places available, applicants are advised to list up to three (sometimes four) campus choices on their application according to their grouping as instructed below.

Campuses are placed in three groups:

- **Green Group:** Bakersfield, Chico, Dominguez Hills, Fresno, Humboldt, Monterey Bay, Northridge, Sacramento, San Bernardino, Sonoma and Stanislaus.
*There are usually enough places available at these campuses to accommodate demand.
- **Blue Group:** East Bay, Pomona, San Francisco, San Jose, San Luis Obispo.
- **Red Group:** Channel Islands, Fullerton, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Maritime Academy, San Diego, San Marcos.
*These are the most competitive of the campuses with limited places available.

Option A. Listing one campus on your application:

Although listing more than one campus is strongly recommended, you may list one campus if all three of the following conditions apply:

- The campus you have selected to attend is listed in the **Green Group**.
- You are **not** taking any business courses;
- You are not taking any subjects which are listed as "restricted" (see pages 2 and 3).

If you are listing business courses or subjects which are listed as "restricted" at any of the campuses in the **Green Group**, then follow instructions under "Option B" below and list at least two campuses on your application.

Option B. Listing two campuses on your application:

Although listing more campuses are strongly recommended, applicants may list a minimum of two campuses on your application, regardless of study area, if campuses selected are only from the **Green Group** and **Blue Group** only.

Option C. Listing three campuses on your application:

Applicants who select any of the campuses, regardless of study area or ranking, must list three campuses on their application if one of the three campuses are from the **Red Group**.

Option D. Listing four campuses on your application:

Applications who select two or more campuses from the **Red Group** must list four campus choices on their applications.

IMPORTANT: You should be prepared to attend any of the campuses listed on your application. While we make every effort to place students at their top choice campus choice(s), this cannot be guaranteed due to limited and/or competitive places at some campuses, impacted/closed (oversubscribed), or restricted/limited subject areas and other factors, e.g. academic match. Note that impacted and restricted subject areas can change at any time. In the event that the campus cannot accept a student's application for any reason, we

will contact the student’s home university exchange coordinator to discuss another suitable campus. For this reason, we advise that you have alternate choices already selected to expedite your application in the event that this occurs.

2. Selecting Subjects

On page 2 of the CSU Systemwide Student Exchange Application, it is important that you list eight subjects (courses) that you are interested in taking. Applications without eight subjects listed will not be processed. Please ensure that you meet any prerequisites for the subject. Prerequisites are listed in the campus “catalog” or “bulletin” which is found on the campus website along with the subject (course) description. Students can be prevented from taking a subject (course) if they do not have the appropriate academic background. Note that detailed syllabi are generally not available before the first day of class for the term that you are applying to so please do not contact the campus to request syllabi. Also note that courses listed on an application does not guarantee access to those courses. Therefore it is critical that you are flexible with course selection.

3. Business Students

Applicants who wish to study upper division business subjects at the CSU on exchange 1) must have successfully completed the equivalent of one semester’s worth of business subjects based on full time studies, 2) must be enrolled in a business degree program at their home institution, and 3) must meet subject (course) prerequisites for subjects listed on page 2 of their application.

Business students must carefully review the list of available subject areas in the section below entitled “Impacted/Closed and Restricted Subject Areas”. Note that business places are very competitive and places at some campuses are extremely limited.

Applications from graduate/postgraduate business students who wish to enroll in graduate level business subjects are not accepted for exchange. Graduate/postgraduate students are welcome to apply for exchange if they agree to an undergraduate placement and take only undergraduate courses.

4. Graduate (Postgraduate) Students

Applications from graduate students are permitted as long as students are willing to accept an undergraduate placement, select only undergraduate courses on page 2 of the application, and are flexible about their campus choice. Graduate places are based on reciprocity only and are subject to restrictions. Students are advised to consult the exchange coordinator at their home university for more information. Note: Not all campuses accept graduate students and it may not be possible for graduate students seeking an undergraduate placement to be placed at certain campuses (e.g. San Diego).

5. Impacted/Closed (Oversubscribed) and Restricted Subject Areas

The following table lists impacted/closed and restricted subject areas for each campus. Campuses must **not** be listed on an application if the subject area is listed in the “Impacted (Closed) Subject Area” column. Some campuses will accept a limited number of applications in certain fields which are listed below under “Restricted Subject Areas”. Applicants who are selected to attend a campus where there are impacted/closed disciplines will NOT be permitted to enroll in subjects from those impacted/closed disciplines. Students should only list subjects in which prerequisites have been met. Subjects labeled under “Extended Education” are closed to exchange students regardless of the campus. Note: The list below is subject to change without notice.

CSU Campus	Impacted (Closed) Subject Areas (Subject areas which are closed to exchange students)	Restricted Subject Areas (limited number of applications are accepted)
Bakersfield	Education (all areas); Nursing (NURS)	Currently there are no restricted areas
Channel Islands	Nursing (NRS)	Business (BUS, FIN, MGT, MKT)
Chico	Music-Recording Arts (MUSC); Nursing (NURS)	Interior Design (IDES)
Dominguez Hills	Clinical Science (CLS); Education/Counselling (all areas); Interdisciplinary Studies (IDS); Nursing (BSN); Social Work (graduate program); Special Education (SPE); Teacher Education (TED); all Extended Education, Certificate and Credential Programs	Music (MUS)
East Bay	Art/Graphic Design (ART); Dance (DANC); Education (EDUC); Hospitality Management (HOS); Music (MUS); Nursing (NURS); Recreation (REC).	Business (ACCT, ENTR, FIN, MGMT, MKTG); Psychology (PSYC); Studio Art (ART)
Fresno	Education (EDU); Nursing (NURS)	Business (ACCT, BA, BUS, FIN, HRM, IS, MGT, MKTG)
Fullerton	Education (all areas); Music (MUS); Nursing (NURS)	Arts/Graphic Design (ART); Business Administration (ACCT, BUAD, FIN, MGT, ISDS, MKTG); Cinema and Television Arts (CTVA); Communications (COMM); Engineering (ECS); Theatre (THTR)
Humboldt	Education (EDL, EED, SED)	Environmental Resources Engineering (ERE)

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Long Beach	Athletics (ATHL); Education (all areas); Film and Electronic Arts (FEA); Nursing (NRSNG); Social Work (SW).	Biological Sciences (BIOL); Business (ACCT, CBA, MGMT, MKTG, FIN, HRM, IS); Chemistry/Biochemistry (CHEM); Child Development and Family Studies (CDFS); Fashion Merchandising and Design (FMD); Fine Arts/Graphic Design (ART); Fine Arts/Interior Design (DESN); Industrial Design (DESN); Journalism (JOUR); Linguistics (LING); Music (MUS); Nutrition and Dietetics (NUTR)
Los Angeles	Business Administration (ACCT, MGMT, MKT) ; Education (all areas); Nursing (NURS)	Biology (BIOL); Criminal Justice (CRIM); Psychology (PSY); Social Work (SW)
Maritime Academy	Cruise (CRU); Deck Labs (DL); Firefighting (FF); Naval Science (NSC)	Restricted to students who wish to study Engineering, Global Studies and International Business with demonstrated interest in maritime affairs. Applicants may be subject to an interview on Skype.
Monterey Bay	Nursing (NURS)	Currently there are no restricted areas
Northridge	Business Administration (ACCT, BLAW, BUS, FIN, IS, MGT, MKT SCM, SOM); Cinema and Television Arts (CTVA); Education (all areas); Engineering (all areas: AE, AM, CE, CM, ECE, ME, MSE); Kinesiology (KIN); Music (MUS); Nursing (NURS); Psychology (PSY); Radiological Sciences (HSCI)	Currently there are no restricted areas
Pomona	Architecture (ARC); Communications (COM); Education (all areas); Engineering (ECE, EGR, ME); Graphic Design (ART); Psychology (PSY)	Computer Science (CIS, CS); Music (MU)
Sacramento	Construction Management (CM); Education (EDU); Graphic Design (GPHD); Health Science (HLSC); Interior Design (INTD); Nursing (NURS); Photography (PHOT)	Biological Sciences (BIO); Criminal Justice (CRJ); Kinesiology (KINS); Psychology (PSYC)
San Bernardino	Criminal Justice (CJUS); Education (all areas); Kinesiology (KINE); Music (MUS); Nursing (NURS); Social Work (SW)	Currently there are no restricted areas
San Diego	Biology (BIOL); Communication (COMM); Education (EDU); Graphic Design (ART); Journalism (JMS); Nursing (NURS); Television, Film and New Media Production (TFM)	Currently there are no restricted areas
San Francisco	Apparel/Fashion Design and Merchandising (ADM); Broadcast & Electronic Communication Arts (BECA); Business Management (MGMT); Cinema (CINE); Creative Writing (CW); Design and Industry (DAI); Education (all areas); Dietetics and Food Management (DFM); Health Education (HED); Interior Design (ID); Journalism (JOUR); Nursing (NURS); Social Work (SW); Studio Art (ART)	Business (ACCT, FIN, HTM, IBUS, ISYS, MKTG); Chemistry (CHEM); Kinesiology (KIN); Music (MUS); Psychology (PSY)
San Jose	Animation/Digital Animation (ANI); Computer Science (CS); Design Studies (DSGN); Education (EDCO); Graphic Design (DSGD); Industrial Design (DSID); Interior Design (DSIT); Nursing (NURS); Occupational Therapy (OCTH)	Business BUS); Civil Engineering (CEE); Computer Engineering (CMPE); Radio-Television-Film (RTVF)
San Luis Obispo	Animal Science (ASCI); Agribusiness (AGB); Music (MUS); Education (EDUC)	Aerospace Engineering (AERO); Architecture (ARCH); Art & Design (ART); Business (BUS); Civil and Environmental Engineering (CE); Communication Studies (COMS); Computer Engineering (CPE); Computer Science (CSC); Economics (ECON); Graphic Communications (GRC); Journalism (JOUR); Mechanical Engineering (ME); Psychology (PSY); Wine and Viticulture (WVIT)
San Marcos	Biology (BIOL); Biotechnology (BIOT); Business (ACCT, BA, BUS, FIN, GBM, GSCM, MGMT, MIS, MKTG, OM); Education (all areas); Kinesiology (KINE); Nursing (NURS)	Currently there are no restricted areas
Sonoma	Education (selected areas); Nursing (NURS)	Biology (BIOL); Business (BUS); Communications (COMS); Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies (CCJS); Early Childhood Studies (ECS); Education (selected areas); Environmental Studies and Planning (ENSP); Human Development (HD); Kinesiology (KIN); Liberal Studies Hutchins (LIBS); Psychology (PSY); Sociology (SOCL).
Stanislaus	Education (all areas); Nursing (NURS)	Currently there are no restricted areas