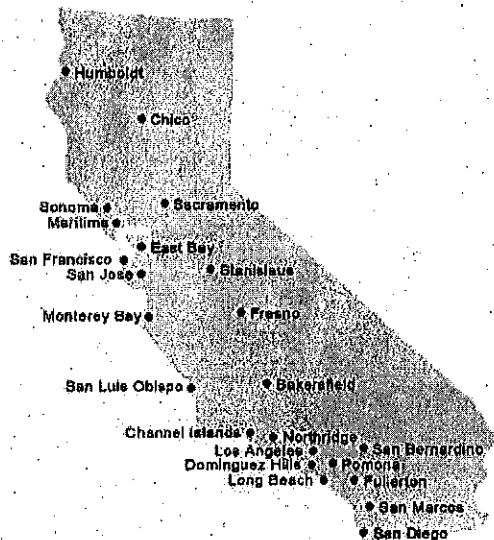


CSU ONLINE APPLICATION FALL 2020: TIPS FOR SUCCESS!



What is CSU?

- California State University system make up of 23 campuses
- Largest 4-year public system in the U.S.
- Serves top 1/3 of CA high school grads
- Prepares students to become leaders in education, business, engineering, agriculture, communications, health, and public administration
- Student bodies among the most diverse in the U.S.
- Educates about 500,000 students per year.
- CSUs award nearly 1/2 the Bachelor degrees in CA.

Impacted Majors: What does that mean?

Definition: There are more students applying to the school or major/program than there are spaces.

- **Some impacted majors:** Cal Poly Pomona, Chico, Humboldt, Maritime, Monterey Bay, Northridge, San Francisco, Sacramento, San Bernardino, San Marcos, Sonoma
- **Every major** (include undecided) at Fresno, Fullerton, Long Beach, San Diego, San Jose, Cal Poly SLO, Los Angeles
- **Non-impacted schools** (exc. impacted for nursing): Bakersfield, Channel islands, Dominguez Hills, Humboldt, Maritime, San Francisco, Stanislaus
- **What does that mean for you?** Once a school or program is impacted, it is allowed to use 'supplemental admissions criteria' to admit applicants. Usually that simply means the school or major is more competitive to get into and your GPA/test scores need to be above the minimum.

Impaction search by school: <https://www2.calstate.edu/attend/impaction-at-the-csu>

Starting Your CSU Application

ASSEMBLE MATERIALS YOU NEED BEFORE STARTING THE APPLICATION:

1. **Transcripts** from all schools/colleges attended fall of 9th grade - current (including summers)
2. **HHS's UC/CSU approved course list** (attached)
3. **Official report of SAT scores.** Tip: have your scores sent to CSU Mentor or to ONE CSU – scores will be forwarded to ALL campuses that you apply to and you only pay once. THE CODE FOR CSU MENTOR IS 3594.
It comes up "CSU Mentor Long Beach"; this is the Office of the President; don't worry.
4. **Official report of ACT scores.** If you have listed a CSU campus as an ACT score report recipient, you can use **ACT Scores Manager** to release your score to additional campuses. **Before you can use the ACT Scores Manager, you must first have arranged for your scores to be sent to a CSU campus.** If you send your scores to one CSU, all CSUs will have access to it. **Test scores must be received by end of December. (For SDSU, San Jose and Cal Poly, Nov. is the last test sitting)**
5. **Social security card or DACA-issued social security card**, if you have one.
6. Use a computer with current browsers and **TURN OFF POP-UP BLOCKERS.** HHS computers will support the needed software. Use CSU browser buttons and **NOT** the "Back" and "Forward" on your computer.
7. Remember that you can save and log out after completing a step. You don't have to complete the entire application at one sitting.

8. Have this form nearby or the Freshman Coursework entry guide
(<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/freshman/Documents/freshman-coursework-entry-guide.pdf>)

Apply on-line! At www.calstate.edu/apply

At CSUApply, you'll find everything you need to select & apply to any CSU campus:

- *Choose a Campus* tab: choose the environment you'll feel comfortable in using a matching assistant
- *Choosing a Degree*: Choose campuses that offer majors that interest you.
- *Getting Into the CSUs*: find admission requirements (GPA/test scores)
- *Paying for College*: learn about costs, financial aid, and fee waivers
- There is one application for all CSU campuses.
- **Deadline is November 30.**

Screen Title	Tip
CalState Apply Main Screen	Click on "Apply", then on "Create An Account." Create a username and password.
Program Plans	Choose "Fall, 2020"
Add a Program: Select the Programs/ Schools To Which You Want to Apply	<p>This screen allows you to choose schools and majors. Delivery format is usually "Campus".</p> <p>You can review the programs to which you are applying. You can add programs by using the "Add Programs" tab. (You usually have to add at least 1 CSU to have access to this tab.)</p> <p>If you choose a major that is impacted, the computer will often prompt you to choose another, alternate major. (Some schools don't want an alternate.)</p> <p>Choose at least one school and program before you can start the major aspects of the application.</p>

Application Dashboard: 4 Quadrants & 4 Tabs

Tabs:

My Application: Apply here. Get access to the the quadrants here.

Add Programs: Add a CSU college and/or major

Submit Application: Submit your application

Check Status: After you submit, learn what's happening with your application to each CSU.

My Application: 4 Quadrants

Personal Information Quadrant

Release Statement	Read the statement and check the box. I suggest you release your CAASPP scores; they are for placement only and have <u>nothing</u> to do with admissions.
Biographic Information	<p>Make sure your name is the same as the name on your social security card.</p> <p>"Legal sex" questions is required. "Gender Conforming" means that your gender expression matches gender norms. "Gender Non-Conforming" means that your gender expression does not match gender norms.</p> <p>Your Statewide Student Id # is on the lower left of your transcript.</p>
Contact Information	Email: Be sure this is an email you will check at least once a week.
Citizenship/ Residency	Non-resident means you are foreign-born and are not yet a citizen. If you are AB540 DACA, Undocumented or a Dreamer, select "None"

	The Residency Determination date for Fall 2020 is Sept. 20.
Race & Ethnicity	Federal government asks the CSU to collect detailed information about a student's ethnic and racial background. This information does not affect any student's application for admission.
Parent/ guardian Information	Answer the questions as you see fit. This section is simply to learn more about your background.
Other Information	If you have a SSN or DACA-issued SSN, enter it. If you don't have a SSN, there is a box that asks you to acknowledge: "I don't have an SSN." <u>California Promise:</u> Program to help students graduate in 4 years. Some campuses have it (Bakersfield, Chico, Dominguez Hills, Fresno, Fullerton, Humboldt, Long Beach, Pomona, Sac, SBernadino, San Diego, San Jose.) If you want to participate, check the radio button. Students who commit to enter the four-year pledge will be given a priority registration appointment for each state-supported enrollment period and will be provided with routine and thorough academic advisement. In order to remain in the program, students must meet with their advisors as prescribed, develop an enrollment plan, and complete 30 semester units (or the quarter equivalent) within each academic year, including summer.
Financial and Parent Information	You might need parents to help with this section. Be careful of "Parents Untaxed Benefits" question-- that's usually not the same as your parent income.

Academic History Quadrant

High Schools Attended	<p>Our CEEB code is 053165, or you can search for Hillsdale via city and state. Hillsdale graduation is May, 2020. We are on the semester system.</p> <p>Do not enter BYU Independent High School for Health (if you took a BYU class for an A-G requirement, then enter it.)</p> <p>If you took a summer school class at a school <u>other than Hillsdale</u>, you must enter that as a separate high school attended. (Most transcripts will say "SMUHSD Summer School". Don't enter a new school-- enter <i>Hillsdale</i>).</p>
High School Coursework	<p>Enter all classes from your transcript. If a course isn't in the drop down menu, you will need to enter it manually and match it to A-G. (Don't enter Health taken at Hillsdale, PE, Peer Tutoring, Advisory...these aren't A-G courses. If there's a "p" next to the class on your transcript, it's an A-G class.</p> <p>Several courses are only 1 semester (World History Intro, Modern World History and Contemporary World Studies.) "No Grade" from the drop down menu for the semester in which you didn't take the course.</p> <p>AS is "None" for Course Type</p> <p>Plusses (+) and minuses [-] don't 'count' for GPA, so you can enter straight 'whole' grades (A, B, C, etc.)</p> <p>World History Intro AS isn't in the drop down menu. You'll need to enter it manually. (That's ok)</p> <p>English I is English 1-2 in the drop down menu.</p> <p>If you repeated a class (EG: you earned a D or below in, say, US History Sem #2, and took it again in summer, you will enter the higher of the 2 grades.)</p> <p>For Senior Year, enter your classes and note classes that are "In Progress" for #1 semester</p>

	<p>and "Planned" for #2 semester. Gov is a #1 semester class; Econ is a #2 semester class & our school does not offer AP Econ.</p> <p>Click the green "check" icon when you finish entering a course. Click the pencil icon to make edits.</p> <p>*If you attended a high school <u>outside</u> of the US, see your counselor or Ms. Burtness You will only enter your Hillsdale classes.</p>
Colleges Attended	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Get a SMCCCD transcript. You can get one by downloading your unofficial transcript from SMCCCD. Sign in to Websmart with your G # and password. "Student Records" "Request Unofficial Transcript" and send it to your email of choice. 2. Classes like Digital Media or Orchestra or Child Development or Ceramics, list as a high school class. (If you matriculate to a CSU or a 4 year private school, send the SMCCCD transcript and maybe you'll get credit.) 3. If you completed a college course that will appear on a college transcript (and it's NOT "Credit by Exam" on the SMCCCD transcript), the course must be reported on the Colleges Attended and Transcript Entry screens. The course must be matched to an A-G category on the A-G Matching screen. Enter that course ONLY under College <p>If a community college course will be on both your high school and college transcripts (eg: Psych or ASL), <i>the coursework should not be entered twice and should only be entered on the College Transcript Entry screen.</i></p>
College Transcript Entry	<p>Enter the classes/grades you took in your college class. Academic status = freshman CAS Grade = click inside the box and it should populate.</p> <p>If you took a college course that appears on both your high school and college transcripts, <i>the coursework should not be entered twice and should only be entered on the College Transcript Entry screen.</i></p> <p>Choose the college you earned the most credits from. Click "No" for every other screen (unless you repeated a course like ASL or Psych.)</p>
A-G Matching	<p>Your A-G totals are here, along with your GPA calculated by the CSUs. Review the A-G totals by clicking "Update A-G Courses" and clicking on the arrow. (Social Science will be 3.5 years. You can manually update your A-G list for classes (eg ASL, Psych) that are not credited towards your A-G total by going to https://hs-articulation.ucop.edu/agcourselist#/list/search/institution (ASL is a "E" and Psych is a "A")</p>
Standardized Tests	<p>Provide information about the tests you have taken or plan to take. You may add or update this information at any time prior to submission. Once you have submitted, you will be able to add additional tests as well as update the ones marked "plan to take", but you will not be able to update or delete <u>completed</u> tests.</p> <p>Send your scores to <u>one</u> CSU. (For SAT, send your score to 3594 and that will share with all campuses to which you apply, or send to one CSU. For ACT, if you send the scores to one CSU, they will be shared with all the campuses to which you apply.)</p> <p>List all your scores and send all your scores. CSU <u>superscores</u> (meaning, they take the highest score from any sitting)</p>

	If you took or are taking a Nov or Dec test, be sure to send the scores. Especially with Dec test, don't wait to see the scores; send them when you sign up for the test.
AP	Enter all scores from previous AP tests. If you will be taking 1 AP test in May 2020 and that's the <u>only</u> AP test you have ever taken, you will answer "No", you have no AP scores to enter. If you have taken APs before and <u>will</u> also be taking an AP test in May 2020, enter the test and leave the score blank.
CLEP	Hillsdale does not have this program.
IB	Hillsdale does not have this program.

Supporting Information Quadrant

EOP	<p>Extended Opportunity Program. This program is for first generation, low income and/or historically disadvantaged students to reach their academic potential. It is a competitive program. ("first generation college bound" = student who has a parent who has not completed at least 2 years of college in <u>any</u> country.) EOP provides academic counseling & mentoring. There are several questions you must answer regarding your family's financial situation, educational background, etc.</p> <p>You will need 2 letters of recommendation.. Letter #1 must be from an advisor/mentor or teacher. Letter #2 can be from a teacher, counselor, employer, etc. (No family recommendations). Ask the adult at least 3 weeks before the due date. You will enter his/her email address and EOP will send the recommender a link to fill out the recommendation.</p> <p>You can submit your CSU application and then return to the application to complete the EOP section.</p> <p>Due dates vary. Usually January 15, but... Nov. 30 for Chico, Fresno, Fullerton, Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Bernardino, and San Jose. Dec 15: Dominguez Hills</p> <p>Info about EOP: https://www2.calstate.edu/attend/student-services/eop/Pages/eop-campus-stat.us.aspx</p>
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Program Materials

Program Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This page lists information from each of the colleges to which you are applying and relates to the department to which you are applying. • Depending on the major (if it's impacted) and the school (eg. Cal Poly), there might be supplementary questions that you need to complete before you can submit. • If there are supplementary questions you will see a "Questions" tab.
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Submit Tab

Consider asking a counselor/Ms. Burtness to review your application. Once you submit, you cannot alter most aspects of your application.

And now you wait for admission decisions! :)



Notes:

- If information disappears, don't panic. Wait and refresh. It might come back.
- **Fee Waiver:** It's embedded within the application, based on income information entered. You can get up to 4 schools' fees waived. Fee waivers are not based on free/reduced lunch. If you feel as though you should get a fee waiver or the cost is a challenge for your/your family, see Ms. Burtness
- Don't bother entering non A-G classes (unless it's a college class)
- If you are not accepted into a CSU to which you applied, but meet the CSU requirements, you can be accepted into a CSU to which you didn't apply. You will be contacted by the CSUs to ask if you want your application to be 'redirected' to another CSU campus. You will not need to reapply to that campus. There is no guarantee regarding which campus, but you will be informed when you speak with the CSU representative.
- Need help? For simple questions, use the "?" in the top right hand side and that will lead you to a Live Chat. There is also a phone number for help: 857 304 2087 and email: CalStateApply@liaisoncas.com. Email is available 24 hours per day, chat is available many hours (even Thanksgiving!).
- 2019 AP test dates: <https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/pdf/ap-exam-schedule-weeks-1-and-2-2019.pdf>
- 2020 AP test dates:

Monday 5/4	Tuesday 5/5	Wednesday 5/6	Thursday 5/7	Friday 5/8
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Government & Politics. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calculus AB • Calculus BC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English Lit & Composition (12th grade) • Physics 2 Algebra-based 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chemistry • Spanish Lit and Culture • Physics 1, Algebra-based 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computer Science A • 2-D Art & Design, 3-D Art & Design -- last day for coordinators to submit digital portfolios (by 5pm PST)
Monday 5/11	Tuesday 5/12	Wed. 5/13	Thurs, 5/14	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology • Chinese Language & Culture • Environmental Sci 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spanish Language & Culture 			

CALCULATING YOUR ELIGIBILITY INDEX FOR ADMISSION

Your index is a combination of your test scores and 10th/11th GPA. In order to calculate, use the following equations for either SAT or ACT scores. http://www.csumentor.edu/planning/high_school/elig_index_calculator.asp

- Using **SAT** Reasoning Test scores (math and critical reading only):
 (Your CSU GPA x 800) + (Your SAT Reasoning Test total) = Your Index
 Example (3.2 GPA x 800) + (550+560=1110 SAT) = 3670 Index
- Using **ACT** composite score:
 (Your CSU GPA x 200) + (10 x ACT Composite) = Your Index.
 Example (3.2 GPA x 200) + (10 x 24) = 880 Index
- **Local admission area** applicants must have a minimum CSU eligibility index of a 2950 using SAT Reasoning Test or 694 using ACT scores. Our local campuses are San Francisco State and Cal State East Bay.
- **Outside of our local admission area** applicants will have an elevated index due to impaction. (that means higher GPAs and higher test scores might be necessary). CSUs will not know the index cut off until they have reviewed the characteristics of the entire applicant pool.

Part of my application.

Cal State Apply 2021

Humboldt Undergraduate

Burtness, Laura
Applicant ID 5537872029

Application Status In Progress
Biology - Marine Biology

ACADEMIC HISTORY

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATUS

Type: High School Diploma Date Received: 05/2020

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Academic Performance: - Name of Degree: -

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED

Name	Location	Dates Attended	Graduated	Homeschool
HILLSDALE HIGH SCHOOL	San Mateo, CA, US	08/2016 - 05/2020	Yes	No

HIGH SCHOOL COURSEWORK

9th Grade 2016-2017 HILLSDALE HIGH SCHOOL

Course Title	Fall	Spring	Course Type	Subject Area
World History Introduction AS	A-	No Grade	None	A - History / Social Science
English 1-2	B	C	None	B - English
Algebra I	A	B	None	C - Mathematics
Modern World History AS	No Grade	B	None	A - History / Social Science
Biology	B	B	None	D1 - Biological Science
Spanish II	A	B	None	E - Language Other than English
Chorus	A	A-	None	F - Visual & Performing Arts
Spanish I	Pass	Pass	None	E - Language Other than English

Note: I took in 7/18th grade

10th Grade 2017-2018 HILLSDALE HIGH SCHOOL

Course Title	Fall	Spring	Course Type	Subject Area
Contemporary World Studies	No Grade	B	None	A - History / Social Science
Modern World History AS	A	No Grade	None	A - History / Social Science
English II	B	C	None	B - English
Geometry	B	A	None	C - Mathematics
Chemistry	B	C	None	D2 - Physical Science
Spanish III	B	B	None	E - Language Other than English
Art	A	B	None	F - Visual & Performing Arts
Concert Choir	A	A	None	F - Visual & Performing Arts

Note

11th Grade 2018-2019 HILLSDALE HIGH SCHOOL

Course Title	Fall	Spring	Course Type	Subject Area
US History	C	No Grade	None	A - History / Social Science
English III	B	B	None	B - English
Algebra II	A	B-	None	C - Mathematics
Physics	B	C	None	D2 - Physical Science
AP Spanish Language and Culture (AP)	B	C	AP	E - Language Other than English
Child Development	A	B	None	G - College-Preparatory Elective

Note: I earned a "D"

12th Grade 2019-2020 HILLSDALE HIGH SCHOOL

ACADEMIC HISTORY CONTINUED

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE WORK

I made up my US History D

Course Title	Summer	Course Type	Subject Area	
US History 12th Grade 2019-2020 HILLSDALE HIGH SCHOOL	(B)	None	A - History / Social Science	
Course Title	Fall	Spring	Course Type	Subject Area
American Government	In Progress	(No Grade)	None	A - History / Social Science
Economics	(No Grade)	Planned	None	G - College-Preparatory Elective
English 4	In Progress	Planned	None	B - English
Finite Math and Statistics	In Progress	Planned	None	C - Mathematics
AP Environmental Science (AP)	In Progress	Planned	AP	D1 - Biological Science

Note

HIGH SCHOOL GPA

Total Years: 25.0 Calculated GPA: 3.26

EA/G SUBJECTS

Subject	Years Required	Years	
A History / Social Science	2.0	4.5	
B English	4.0	4.0	
C Mathematics	3.0	4.0	
D1 Biological Science	1.0	2.0	
D2 Physical Science	1.0	2.0	
E Language Other than English	2.0	4.0	
F Visual & Performing Arts	1.0	3.0	
G College-Preparatory Elective	1.0	1.5	
	Total Years Required	Total Years	Calculated GPA
	15	25.0	3.26

STANDARDIZED TESTS

UNOFFICIAL SAT AFTER 03.01.2016

Date	College Board ID	Evidence-based Reading and Writing	Math	Essay Reading	Essay Writing	Essay Analysis
05-05-2018		520	550	5	5	5
<u>12-07-2019</u>						

I am taking the SAT again + will log in and add the score when I get 'it'. I will send my scores.

ACADEMIC HISTORY CONTINUED

COURSEWORK									
007713 SKYLINE COLLEGE									
Prefix	Course Title	Subject	Special Class	Course Type	Credits	Ver. Credits	App Grade	CAS Grade	Ver. Grade
Freshman	Semester Spring 2019:	Completed	X Unverified						
PSYC100 (T)	General Psychology	Psychology	Not Applicable		3.0		B	B	

Although I was a junior in high school, I enter "freshman".

HILLSDALE HIGH SCHOOL -- CEEB Code # 053165
UC/CSU APPROVED COURSE LIST 2019-2020

Courses approved for the 2019-20 school year by the University of California to meet the UC "a-g" course requirements and by the California State University System (CSU) to meet the course pattern required by CSU campuses for freshman admission. For the most current official list of UC-approved courses and courses approved for previous years, visit the UC web site at: <https://hs-articulation.ucop.edu/agcourselist/#/list/search/all>

Minimum Requirement	Approved Courses (grades must be C or better)
a – History/Social Science (1) 1 year world history, cultures or geography and (2) 1 year U.S. history or ½ year each of U.S. history and American Government	World History AS, World History Introduction Modern World History, AS, EL Contemporary World Studies, AS, EL U.S. History, EL or <u>AP U.S. History</u> American Government <u>AP Government & Politics U.S.</u>
b – English: 4 years: English 1-8	English I or I AS English II or II AS or ELD III English III or III H English IV or <u>AP English Literature & Composition</u>
c – Mathematics: <u>Required:</u> Algebra 1-4, Geometry 1-2, Algebra 3-4 <u>Recommended:</u> 1-2 years beyond Algebra 3-4	Algebra I, or EL Algebra II <u>AP Statistics</u> Geometry Finite Math & Statistics Pre Calculus Integrated Math II * <u>AP Calculus AB</u> <u>AP Calculus BC</u>
d – Laboratory Science: Required: 2 years, one year in each of 2 disciplines: biology, chemistry or physics. <u>Recommended:</u> 3 rd year for all students 4 th year for science majors	Biology, EL <u>AP Biology</u> Biotechnology I, II Chemistry <u>AP Chemistry</u> <u>AP Environmental Science</u> Physics <u>AP Physics 1</u> <u>AP Physics 2</u> Computer Science Principles (option used to fulfill UCs recommended 3rd year of lab science)
e – Language other than English: Required: Levels 1-4. Level 5-6 or higher recommended	Chinese I, II, III, <u>IV H</u> <u>AP Chinese Language & Culture</u> Spanish I, II, III <u>AP Spanish Language</u> Spanish for Native Speakers III
f – Visual and Performing Arts: One yearlong course required.	MUSIC: Chorus, Chamber Singers, Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Jazz Ensemble, Chamber Orchestra, String Orchestra (Advanced Orchestra) VISUAL ARTS: Art, Advanced Art, Animation, <u>AP Studio Art Drawing 1-2</u> <u>AP Studio Art: 2-Design</u> , Ceramics, Advanced Ceramics, Digital Photography, Digital Photography Advanced, Art of Video, Art of Video Advanced DRAMATIC ARTS: Drama, Advanced Drama, Dance, Intermediate Dance, Advanced Dance
g - Electives: One year required.	(Any course above that exceeds the minimum subject requirements in that area is considered a "g" requirement. Additionally, the following classes also meet the "g" requirement.) <u>AP Computer Science A</u> Child Development, Child Development and Guidance Computer Science Principles Economics Introduction to Ethnic Studies Publications

Underlined courses receive an extra grade point when UC/CSU calculates the student's grade point average: A is worth 5 points, B, 4 points, C, 3 points. Grades below C do not receive an extra point. Some campuses limit extra points to 8, with not more than 4 in the 10th grade.

The following college courses taken at Hillsdale should be entered as college courses. Refer to your SMCCD transcript:

ASL 100 American Sign Language 1 (CSM) PSYC 100 General Psychology (Skyline) COUN 240 (CSM)
ASL 110 American Sign Language 2 (CSM) BUS 100 Introduction to Business (CSM)

(Disclaimer: This document is prepared for convenience only. Courses actually offered may change; new courses may be added and others deleted.)