

SAN JOSÉ STATE UNIVERSITY

# Steps to Admission

FALL 2021



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# Spartan Pride



When you see this symbol, we have a video you should check out on page 17 for more information.



When you become a student at San José State University, you're not just beginning your college experience—you're joining a new, extended family. The Spartan family is a diverse, close-knit community that supports, encourages, and guides new students along a path toward success at the largest public university in Silicon Valley. Here's a glimpse of what our community offers new members of the Spartan family.

## Top Hiring Employers

Accenture  
Amazon  
Apple  
Applied Materials  
Cepheid  
Cisco  
City of San José  
County of Santa Clara  
EY  
Facebook  
Google LLC  
IBM  
Intel Corporation  
Juniper Networks  
Kaiser Permanente  
Lam Research Corporation  
Lockheed Martin  
Lucile Packard Children's Hospital  
Microsoft  
Nordstrom  
Northrup Grumman  
Nutanix  
PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC)  
San José State University  
SAP America, Inc.  
Stanford Health Care  
Stanford University  
Valley Medical Center  
VMware, Inc.  
Western Digital

Mie  
Nutritional Science /Dietetics

# Points of Pride

## Academics

Ranked seventh among top public universities in the western U.S. by U.S. News & World Report

## Innovation

SJSU is considered one of the "Most Innovative Schools" among public universities in the West for improvements in terms of curriculum, faculty, students, campus life, technology or facilities.

## Student Athletes

A record number of San José State student athletes (57) were named to the Academic All-Mountain West team.

## Veterans

Among the nation's top veterans serving academic institutions.

## History

With a history that spans more than 150 years, SJSU is the founding campus of the 23-campus California State University (CSU) system.

## Value

Named one of the Nation's Best Value Colleges by Forbes magazine.

## Social Mobility

SJSU is one of the top public universities in the West for enrolling and graduating economically disadvantaged students eligible for Pell Grants.

## Diversity

Ranked third among public universities in the West for ethnic diversity by U.S. News & World Report.

## Clubs

SJSU is home to more than 450 student organizations and clubs, which are great ways to get involved on campus.

## Research

With \$60 million in annual research, SJSU is a top-200 school nationally in terms of research spending.

## Careers

SJSU is the top supplier of education, engineering, computer science and business graduates to Silicon Valley, the world's high-tech capital.



# Admissions Checklist



Jayla  
Child and Adolescent Development

- THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1 – FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2020**  
Admission Application Period and Deadline  
EOP (Educational Opportunity Program) Application Deadline
- THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2020**  
Financial Aid (FAFSA and CA Dream Act) Application Available
- FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 2021**  
Petition for Re-Admission as a Former Student Returning. (Must submit admission application by December 4 deadline)
- FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 2021**  
Final EOP Application Deadline
- SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 2021**  
Supplemental Application for Admission Deadline (Transfers Only)
- SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 2021**  
EOP (Educational Opportunity Program) Documents Deadline
- TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 2021**  
Financial Aid Priority Deadline
- TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021**  
Work in Progress (Partial) Transcript Deadline (Transfers Only)
- FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 2021**  
Financial Aid Priority Document Completion Date (for consideration of maximum funding)
- SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2021**  
Intent to Enroll Deadline (Sign up for Orientation)  
Housing Application Deadline
- END OF SPRING 2021**  
Complete Admission Requirements
- POSTMARKED BY THURSDAY, JULY 15, 2021**  
Final Transcripts Deadline
- PRIOR TO THE FIRST DAY OF CLASSES**  
Proof of Required Immunizations

## Admission Tips

### Use your legal name on all documents submitted to SJSU

Using your legal name on all documents helps us match the documents, test scores, and other information you submit as part of the application process.

### Check your MySJSU student account weekly

It is the best way for you to stay on track for deadlines and requirements.

### Stay eligible! We will verify that you are CSU eligible

Make up any missing requirements immediately.

# Majors



## African American Studies

BA, African American Studies

## Anthropology

BA, Anthropology  
BA, Behavioral Science  
BA, Organizational Studies

## Art and Art History

BA, Art History and Visual Culture ▲  
BA, Art, Concentrations in

- Studio Practice ▲
- Studio Practice, Preparation for Teaching

BFA, Art, Concentrations in

- Digital Media Art
- Photography
- Pictorial Art
- Spatial Art

## Aviation ★

BS, Aviation ●

## Biological Sciences

BA, Biological Science ●  
BS, Biological Science, Concentrations in

- Microbiology ●
- Molecular Biology ●
- Systems Physiology ●

BS, Ecology and Evolution ●  
BS, Marine Biology ●

## Business

BS, Business Administration, Concentrations in

- Accounting ●
- Accounting Information Systems ●
- Business Analytics ●
- Corporate Accounting and Finance ●
- Entrepreneurship ●
- Finance ●
- Global Operations Management ●
- Human Resource Management ●
- International Business ●
- Management ●
- Management Information Systems ●
- Marketing ●

## Chemistry

BA, Chemistry ●  
BS, Chemistry ●  
BS, Chemistry, Concentration in Biochemistry ●

## Chicana and Chicano Studies

BA, Chicana and Chicano Studies

## Child and Adolescent Development

BA, Child and Adolescent Development  
BA, Child and Adolescent Development, Preparation for Teaching

## Communication Studies

BA, Communication Studies

## Computer Science

BS, Computer Science ●

## Creative Arts

BA, Creative Arts

## Design

BA, Design Studies  
BFA, Art, Concentration in Animation/Illustration ●  
BFA, Graphic Design  
BFA, Interior Design  
BS, Industrial Design

## Economics

BA, Economics  
BS, Economics

## Education

BA, Communicative Disorders and Sciences

## Engineering ★

**AEROSPACE ENGINEERING**  
BS, Aerospace Engineering ●  
**BIOMEDICAL, CHEMICAL AND MATERIALS ENGINEERING**  
BS, Biomedical Engineering ●  
BS, Chemical Engineering ●  
BS, Materials Engineering ●  
**CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING**  
BS, Civil Engineering ●  
**COMPUTER ENGINEERING**  
BS, Computer Engineering ●  
BS, Software Engineering ●  
**ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING**  
BS, Electrical Engineering ●  
**GENERAL ENGINEERING**  
BS, General Engineering ●  
**INDUSTRIAL AND SYSTEMS ENGINEERING**  
BS, Industrial and Systems Engineering ●  
**MECHANICAL ENGINEERING**  
BS, Mechanical Engineering ●

## English and Comparative Literature

BA, English ▲  
BA, English, Concentrations in

- Professional and Technical Writing ▲
- Creative Writing ▲

BA, English, Preparation for Teaching (Single Subject) ▲

## Environmental Studies

BA, Environmental Studies  
BA, Environmental Studies, Preparation for Teaching  
BS, Environmental Studies  
BA, Global Studies

## Film and Theatre

BA, Radio-Television-Film ▲  
BA, Theatre Arts ▲

## Geography

BA, Geography

## Geology

BS, Geology ●

## History

BA, History  
BA, History and Social Science Teacher Preparation Double BA  
BA, Social Science, Preparation for Teaching (Single Subject)

## Hospitality, Tourism and Event Management

BS, Hospitality, Tourism and Event Management\*  
\*Expected to move to the College of Business in Fall 2021

## Humanities

BA, Creative Arts (Interdepartmental)  
BA, Humanities, Concentrations in

- American Studies
- Liberal Arts
- Religious Studies ▲

BA, Liberal Studies, Integrated Teacher Education Program  
BA, Liberal Studies, Integrated Teacher Education Program Spanish Bilingual  
BA, Liberal Studies, Preparation for Teaching

## Journalism and Mass Communications

BS, Advertising  
BS, Journalism  
BS, Public Relations

## Justice Studies

BS, Justice Studies  
BS, Justice Studies, Concentration in Criminology  
BS, Forensic Science, Concentrations in

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Digital Evidence

## Kinesiology

BS, Kinesiology ●  
BS, Kinesiology, Preparation for Teaching

## Linguistics and Language Development

BA, Linguistics

## Mathematics and Statistics

BA, Mathematics ●  
BA, Mathematics, Integrated Teacher Education Program ●  
BS, Applied Mathematics, Concentrations in

- Applied and Computational Mathematics ●
- Statistics ●

## Impact Criteria for Transfers

Some programs will give preference to applicants who have completed program-specific preparatory courses. For these programs, applicants will be ranked on a combination of self-reported GPA and completion of approved program-specific courses.

● Program Specific Course Preparation

▲ Program Specific Associate Degree for Transfer

## ★ College of Engineering Applicants

Freshman applicants to programs in the College of Engineering will be ranked on a modified eligibility index that will place additional emphasis on quantitative skills necessary for success in these majors.

## Graduate Degrees

For a list of graduate degrees and credentials, visit [sjsu.edu/admissions/graduate/degree-programs.php](https://sjsu.edu/admissions/graduate/degree-programs.php)

# Majors (continued)

## Meteorology and Climate Science

BS, Meteorology ●  
BS, Meteorology, Concentration in Climate Science ●

## Music and Dance

BA, Music ▲  
BM, Music, Concentrations in  
• Composition  
• Jazz Studies  
• Music Education  
• Performance  
BA, Dance  
BFA, Dance

## Nursing

BS, Nursing ●  
Pre-Nursing Undeclared ●

## Nutrition, Food Science and Packaging

BS, Nutritional Science, Concentrations in  
• Applied Nutrition and Food Sciences  
• Dietetics  
• Food Management  
BS, Packaging

## Philosophy

BA, Philosophy ▲

## Psychology

BA, Psychology ●

## Physics and Astronomy

BA, Physics ●  
BA, Physics, Preparation for Teaching ●  
BS, Physics ●

## Political Science

BA, Political Science

## Public Health and Recreation

BS, Public Health ●  
BS, Public Health, Concentration in Community Health Education ●  
BS, Public Health, Concentration in Population Data Science ●  
BS, Recreation  
BS, Recreation, Concentrations in  
• Recreation Management  
• Recreation Therapy

## Sociology and Interdisciplinary Social Sciences

BA, Sociology  
BA, Sociology, Concentrations in  
• Community Change  
• Race and Ethnic Studies  
• Social Interaction  
• Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies

## Social Work

BA, Social Work ●

## Technology ★

BS, Industrial Technology, Concentrations in  
• Computer Network System Management ●  
• Manufacturing Systems ●

## Undeclared

Freshmen only

## World Languages and Literatures

BA, Chinese  
BA, French  
BA, Japanese  
BA, Spanish ▲

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**Mariella**  
Business Administration/  
Marketing

# Freshman Steps to Admission

- Step 1** **Meet All Academic Requirements**
- Meet minimum CSU Eligibility Index
  - Complete 15 units of A-G course requirements
  - Earn High School Diploma or Equivalent
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- Step 2** **Choose Degree Program (Major) Carefully**
- We admit to major. Check out how competitive your major has been historically by visiting [sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction](https://sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction)
  - Change of major is never guaranteed
  - Must pick alternate major (not all majors are available, particularly highly competitive majors)
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- Step 3** **Apply to San José State University at [CalState.edu/Apply](https://CalState.edu/Apply)**  
For a guide on how to enter Freshman coursework, visit [www2.calstate.edu/apply/freshman/documents/freshman-coursework-entry-guide.pdf](https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/freshman/documents/freshman-coursework-entry-guide.pdf)
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- Step 4** **Create Your SJSUOne Account to Access MySJSU**
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  - Go to [one.sjsu.edu](https://one.sjsu.edu) and sign in using your SJSU ID and SJSU One password.
  - Search for “MySJSU” at [one.sjsu.edu](https://one.sjsu.edu) and click on the MySJSU tile to access your MySJSU Student Center.
  - Check your MySJSU Student Center at least once a week for updates to your application status.
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- Step 5** **Submit Official SAT or ACT Test Scores (Optional)**  
The SAT/ACT is not required but it is recommended that you take either one and submit your scores to SJSU. Your scores will be used to be considered for placement in English and math courses.
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- Step 6** **Maintain CSU Eligibility (See “Freshman” Tab)**
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- Step 7** **Continue to Meet Impaction Criteria for Degree Program**  
[sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction](https://sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction)

## FALL 2020



### October 1

Admission Application  
Available through December 4, 2020



Financial Aid (FAFSA and CA Dream Act)  
Application Available



### December 4

Admission Application and Fee Due (\$70)  
EOP Priority Application Deadline

## WINTER 2021



### January 15

Final EOP Application Deadline



### January 31

EOP Documents Deadline  
(EOP Recommendation Forms and FAFSA/  
CA Dream Act)



### March 2

Financial Aid (FAFSA/CA Dream Act)  
Priority Filing Deadline

## SPRING 2021



### April 23

Financial Aid Priority Document Completion Date  
(for consideration of maximum funding)



### May 1

Intent to Enroll Deadline  
Sign up for Orientation  
Housing Application Deadline

## SUMMER 2021



### July 15

Final Transcripts Deadline  
(Postmarked)

## Meet All Deadlines

Check your “To-Do List” in your MySJSU student account for deadlines weekly. If you miss an SJSU deadline, we will withdraw your application for admission, and you will not be able to attend SJSU for the term in which you applied. If you have an extreme circumstance that may cause you to miss one of our deadlines, contact [admissions@sjsu.edu](mailto:admissions@sjsu.edu) prior to the deadline date.

## “Local” Applicants

San José State gives preference to “local” applicants. Learn more about local preference at [sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction](https://sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction)

## Coursework Outside U.S.

When you fill out the admission application at [CalState.edu/Apply](https://CalState.edu/Apply), you must include all high schools and colleges/universities attended, including those outside of the U.S. Failure to report an institution could negatively affect our ability to verify your eligibility for admission.

# Freshman Academic Requirements

## High School Courses

Complete the required high school courses with grades of “C-” or better (prior to your high school graduation date).

The CSU will consider course grades of “credit” or “pass” as fulfilling “a-g” requirements for those courses completed during winter, spring or summer 2020 terms only.

Areas	Years Required	Description
<input type="checkbox"/> a. History/Social Science	<b>Two years</b>	<b>A.</b> One year of U.S. History or U.S. History and Government
<input type="checkbox"/> b. English	<b>Four years</b>	<b>B.</b> Composition and literature
<input type="checkbox"/> c. Mathematics	<b>Three years</b> (four years recommended)	<b>C.</b> Algebra, geometry, intermediate algebra; or integrated mathematics
<input type="checkbox"/> d. Laboratory Science	<b>Two years</b> (three years recommended)	<b>D.</b> One year of biological science and one year of physical science; both with lab
<input type="checkbox"/> e. Language other than English	<b>Two years</b>	<b>E.</b> Study in the same language
<input type="checkbox"/> f. Visual and Performing Arts	<b>One year</b>	<b>F.</b> Select a year-long course from art, theatre/drama, music or dance
<input type="checkbox"/> g. Elective	<b>One year</b>	<b>G.</b> Select from areas “a–f” or from another approved college prep “A–C” course

## Graduate

Earn a high school diploma, or equivalent.

## SAT/ACT Scores

**SJSU will not require SAT/ACT scores for Fall 2021 admission and they will not be considered in our admission consideration process.**

We will continue to consider SAT and ACT as one of several measures to assess math and English placement for admitted students who enroll at SJSU.

## Eligibility Index (EI)

For Fall 2021, SJSU will use your Grade Point Average (GPA) to calculate your Eligibility Index. SJSU will not consider SAT/ACT scores when calculating your EI.

### Grade Point Average (GPA)

Your official GPA for admission to SJSU may be different than the GPA on your high school transcript. This is because we calculate your high school GPA using your 10th and 11th grade a-g courses when considering you for admission.

Note that courses completed with “Pass” or “Credit” grades in the Winter 2020, Spring 2020 or Summer 2020 terms will not be included in the calculation of your GPA.

### Minimum Eligibility Index (EI)

The minimum Eligibility Index is typically calculated using a combination of SAT/ACT scores and your GPA. Because the requirement to submit official SAT/ACT scores is suspended for the Fall 2021 admission cycle, applicants will be eligible for admission consideration according to the following:

Residency	Minimum GPA Requirement (A-C coursework)
California Resident or graduate of a California high school	2.50 or greater
Nonresident of California	3.00 or greater

Applicants below these GPA minimum requirements will not be considered for admission at SJSU.

### GPA Calculator

You can estimate your 10th and 11th grade a-g courses GPA (including honors, IB and AP courses) using the CSU Grade Point Average Calculator at [www2.calstate.edu/apply/eligibility-index](http://www2.calstate.edu/apply/eligibility-index)

## Impaction Criteria (for Freshmen)

### Meeting Minimum Admission Requirements Does Not Guarantee Admission

Admission to San José State is competitive in all majors because SJSU continues to have more qualified applicants than available new student spaces. This situation is called “impaction” and it means that meeting the minimum academic requirements for CSU eligibility does not guarantee admission to San José State.

Freshman applicants who meet the minimum academic requirements will be ranked in each major and admitted to meet the enrollment capacity of their chosen major.

Applicants who have met the minimum CSU eligibility requirements will be ranked in each major by an eligibility index primarily based on the self-reported GPA earned in a-g course requirements at the time of application. SJSU’s eligibility index will continue to include preference to local applicants.

For Fall 2021, SJSU will also consider additional factors in the impaction process. Specifically, additional consideration will be given to applicants who qualify for the Cal State Apply fee waiver; are the first in their family to graduate from a four-year college (first-generation); and/or are a U.S. veteran.

Applicants to majors in the College of Engineering will be ranked using a modified eligibility index that will take into consideration applicants’ math GPA in combination with the factors listed above.

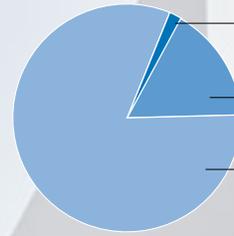
Please see [sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction](http://sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction) for details about this process for Fall 2021.

# Student Body

(AS OF FALL 2019)

## Student Body

**33,282**



Credential 1%

Graduate 15%

Undergraduate 84%

## Average Age

**22.4**  
YEARS OLD

UNDERGRADUATE

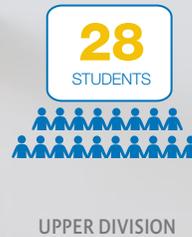
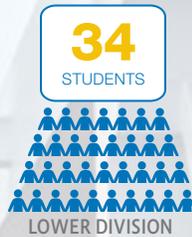
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YEARS OLD

GRADUATE

**31.5**  
YEARS OLD

CREDENTIAL

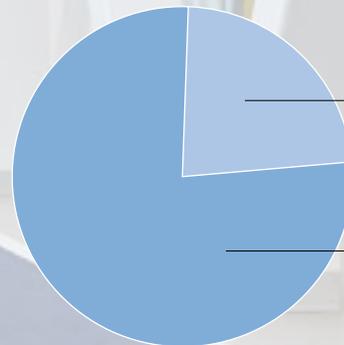
## Average Class Size



## Student to Faculty Ratio



## Enrollment Status



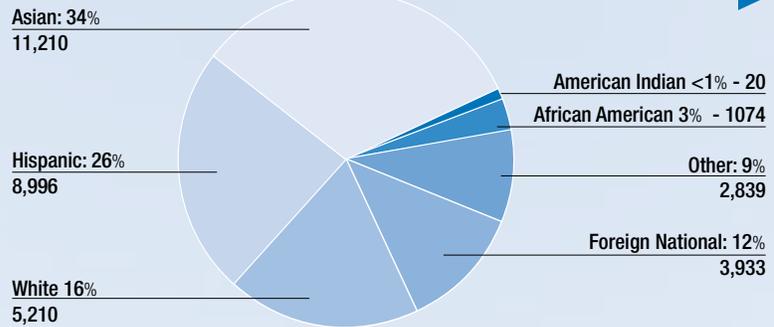
Part-time: 19% - 6,439

Full-time: 81% - 26,843

# Campus Profile



## Race/Ethnicity



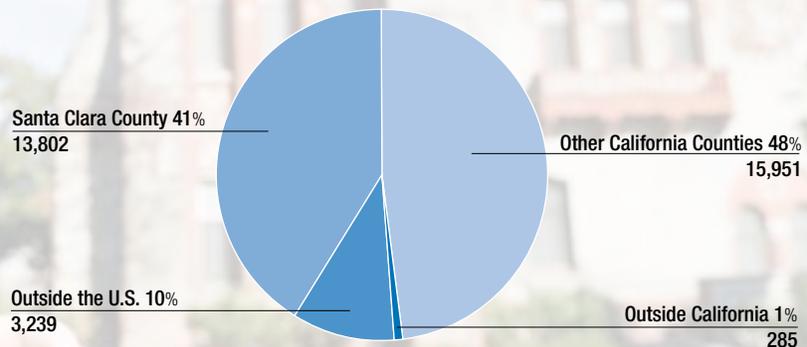
## Gender



## Degrees Awarded In 2018/2019



## Where do SJSU Students Call Home?



Rachel  
Kinesiology

# Transfer Steps to Admission

## Step 1 Confirm That You Will Meet All of the Academic Requirements by the End of the Spring 2021 Term as shown: [sjsu.edu/admissions/transfer](https://sjsu.edu/admissions/transfer)

- Reach Junior Standing (60 Semester Units/90 Quarter Units)
- Complete Four Basic Skills Courses
- Minimum GPA for your major. (Please read "Impaction Criteria" section on Page 12 for more information.)
- Complete supplemental coursework if needed for major

## Step 2 Choose Your Degree Program (Major) Carefully

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## Step 5 Complete SJSU's Mandatory Supplemental Application due January 30. Use the [Help Guide](#)

## Step 6 Maintain CSU Eligibility

(See "Upper-Division Transfer" section)

- [Calstate.edu/apply/transfer](https://Calstate.edu/apply/transfer)

## Step 7 Complete all courses and meet Impaction Criteria by End of Spring 2021

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### Former Students

Former students who have not attended SJSU for the past two consecutive semesters and who have not been granted a leave of absence, must reapply for admission as an upper-division transfer student and meet all deadlines, conditions and admission requirements currently in effect. If you have been disqualified from the university, please see the section below for Disqualified Students.

### Admission Priority

Former SJSU students returning may gain admission priority by completing a Re-Admission Petition form ([sjsu.edu/registrar/forms](https://sjsu.edu/registrar/forms)) and obtaining departmental approval. Submit the form by January 15, 2021.

### Disqualified Students

To be considered for admission, former SJSU students who have been disqualified must complete and submit two separate forms for consideration and approval: the Reinstatement Petition and the Re-Admission Petition forms (<https://www.sjsu.edu/registrar/academic-records/reinstatement.php>). Please follow the instructions on each of these forms to successfully return to SJSU.

## Coursework Outside U.S.

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# Transfer Academic Requirements

## Junior Status (60 semester / 90 quarter units)

Complete 60 or more transferable semester units or 90 or more quarter units by the end of the Spring 2021 term. Learn about courses accepted at SJSU at [transfer.sjsu.edu](http://transfer.sjsu.edu)

### California College/University Credits

To learn how course credits earned at one public California college or university can be applied when transferred to another, use ASSIST, an online student-transfer information system, at [assist.org](http://assist.org)

### Second Bachelor's Degree

If you are seeking a second bachelor's degree (except for those entering the nursing program), you will not be admitted.

## Basic Skills Courses

Complete your four basic skills courses as early as possible. The four basic skills courses must be completed by the end of the Spring 2021 term to be eligible for admission for the fall semester. Courses taken during the Summer 2021 term will not be counted toward the completion of academic requirements for Fall 2021. You must earn a "C-" or higher in each basic skills course. SJSU will also accept "Credit" or "Pass" grades for courses taken during the Winter 2020, Spring 2020 or Summer 2020 terms to satisfy the following requirements.

- 1. One course in oral communication (Area A1)
- 2. One course in written composition (Area A2)
- 3. One course in critical thinking (Area A3)
- 4. One course in college-level mathematics or quantitative reasoning, with intermediate algebra as a prerequisite (Area B4)

## Grade Point Average

Earn a college grade point average of 2.00 or better in all transferable courses. Be in good standing at the last college or university attended.

## Mandatory Supplemental Application

To be considered for admission, all transfer applicants must complete SJSU's supplemental application by the deadline posted to your MySJSU account.

## Transfer Associate Degree

At SJSU, a California Community College student who has earned the Associate in Arts degree for Transfer (AA-T) or the Associate in Science degree for Transfer (AS-T) will receive priority admission consideration into a similar baccalaureate degree program as long as the student meets all the admission requirements. Verification of degree completion will be required during the application process as well as at final verification prior to enrollment.

Transfers with the AA-T or AS-T degree who do not meet SJSU's impactation criteria (based on their intended major) are not guaranteed admission to a specific major or campus, but will receive priority admission consideration at their local CSU to a program or major that is similar to their associate degree. Visit [adegreewithaguarantee.com](http://adegreewithaguarantee.com)

## Impactation Criteria (for Transfers)

Admission to San José State is competitive in all majors because SJSU continues to have more qualified applicants than available new student spaces. This situation is called "impactation" and it means that meeting the minimum academic requirements does not guarantee admission to San José State.

CSU eligible transfer applicants will be ranked in each major based on their self-reported GPA (as reported in the required supplemental application). Some programs will give preference to applicants who have completed program-specific preparation courses. Additional courses have been approved for Fall 2021 admission ([sjsu.edu/admissions/impactation](http://sjsu.edu/admissions/impactation))

### Majors with (Program-Specific) Preparation Courses

Select majors (degree programs) give preference to applicants who have completed program-specific preparatory courses. These programs are noted in the "Majors" section and will give preference to students based on a combination of their self-reported GPA and the completion of program-specific, lower-division coursework.

For example, if two applicants to the same program have the same GPA, preference will be given to the applicant who has completed the greater number of program-specific preparation courses.

Similarly, if two applicants have completed the same number of program-specific preparation courses, preference will be given to the applicant with the higher GPA. The program-specific courses that will be considered are listed at [sjsu.edu/admissions/impactation](http://sjsu.edu/admissions/impactation)

**For more SJSU Transfer Planning Information and Resources:** [transfer.sjsu.edu](http://transfer.sjsu.edu)

### Previous Years' Thresholds

To view how competitive your major has been historically, visit [sjsu.edu/admissions/impactation](http://sjsu.edu/admissions/impactation)

(Please keep in mind the thresholds change each year).

# Spartan Life



Omar  
Art/Design Studies



## Clubs

SJSU is home to more than 400 student organizations and clubs, which are great ways to get involved on campus.

## Downtown

SJSU is located in downtown San José, a dynamic scene home to major sports, museums, fine restaurants, and shops easily accessible by public transportation.

## Eateries

There are a number of places to eat on and near campus, offering a wide variety of choices, from pizza, hamburgers and sandwiches, to Vietnamese, Indian and Mexican cuisine.

## Event Center

Enjoy SJSU sporting events, including basketball games and gymnastics meets, comedy shows, and concerts on campus at the Provident Credit Union Event Center.

## Fraternities and Sororities

If you're interested in Greek Life, we have a number of fraternities and sororities to choose from with more than 40 recognized chapters that are members of four governing councils: Interfraternity Council, National Panhellenic Council, Panhellenic Council, and the United Sorority and Fraternity Council.

## Fitness Center

Enjoy our newly built \$130 million Spartan Recreation and Aquatic Center, a 128,000-square-foot structure that offers something for every student, including fitness classes, sporting and recreation clubs, rock-climbing, and pick-up games.

## Location

Located in northern California's Silicon Valley, 48 miles south of San Francisco, San José is the 10th largest city in the country, and the 3rd largest in California. With 300 days of sunshine per year, San José is ranked as one of the 'Best Places to Live' in America by U.S. News & World Report.

## Mobile App

San José State has its own mobile app that allows students to connect with one another online, view upcoming campus events, and access important information about university housing, dining on campus, student organizations, and alternative transportation.

## Outdoor Activities

Through the Spartan Recreation and Aquatic Center, students can participate in various outdoor activities such as hiking, camping, surfing, rock climbing, and mountain biking.

## Performing Arts

San José State's Hammer Theatre is a modern performance venue in the heart of downtown San José, providing music, theatre, dance and guest speaker events with student, local, and international talent.

## Safety

San José State's police department is a full-service police department that provides a number of services, including escorts and shuttle rides for students.

## Sports

In addition to our 22 NCAA Division I men's and women's sports teams, SJSU offers opportunities for students to compete against other students in various intramural sports and on Club Sports teams.

## Student Union

The Diaz Compean Student Union is a place where students can relax, study, grab a bite to eat, and utilize campus resources as well as attend social events such as movie screenings in the Student Union Theater, game nights in the Bowling Center, DIY food events, and live music.

## Study Abroad and Away

Whether you want to spend a year, a semester, or a few weeks increasing your global awareness, SJSU offers study abroad programs that fit your needs and provide you with opportunities to learn about different cultures, ideas, and most importantly about yourself.

## Transportation

San José has a number of public transportation options that serve the region, including BART, ACE Rail, Highway 17 Express Bus, SamTrans Bus, VTA Lightrail, Caltrain, and Amtrak. There are also alternative transportation options to get to SJSU, including carsharing, carpooling, and even riding your bicycle.

## Weeks of Welcome

During the first weeks of the fall semester, there are many social events to help students get connected and build friendships, educational programs to support students as they develop their independence, and academic workshops to assist students in preparing for their classes.

# Costs

Amounts are based on full-time attendance (12 units per semester or more) for a nine-month academic year.

Costs	With Parents	Campus Housing *	Off Campus
Room and Board	\$9,320	\$17,360	\$16,699
Transportation	\$1,376	\$1,094	\$1,160
Miscellaneous/Personal	\$2,387	\$2,058	\$2,733
Books and Supplies	\$1,035	\$1,035	\$1,035
**Tuition Fees (6.1 or more units)	\$7,852	\$7,852	\$7,852
<b>Undergraduate Total</b>	<b>\$21,970</b>	<b>\$29,399</b>	<b>\$29,479</b>

\* Campus Housing costs are average of CV Buildings + 21 swipes/week meal plan

\*\* All fees and charges are subject to change without notice. Loan fees could average from \$80 - \$190 depending on one's career. Non-Resident Fees are charged an additional \$396 per unit.

## Fees are Subject to Change

The CSU makes every effort to keep student costs to a minimum. Fees listed in published schedules or student accounts may need to be increased when public funding is inadequate. Therefore, CSU must reserve the right, even after initial fee payments are made, to increase or modify any listed fees, without notice, until the date when instruction for a particular semester or quarter has begun. All CSU listed fees should be regarded as estimates that are subject to change upon approval by The Board of Trustees, the Chancellor, or the Presidents, as appropriate. Changes in mandatory systemwide fees will be made in accordance with the requirements of the Working Families Student Fee Transparency and Accountability Act (Sections 66028 - 66028.6 of the Education Code).

## California Residency for Tuition Purposes

The determination of residency for tuition purposes affects whether a student pays in-state or out-of-state tuition fees. Out-of-state tuition fees are higher than in-state tuition fees. Just because a student is or has been a resident of the State of California does not mean that he or she qualifies to receive the in-state tuition rate. Certain requirements, established under California law, must be met.

Visit the [California State University site](http://California State University site) for additional information regarding residency

## In-state Tuition for Certain Non-residents of California (AB 540 provisions)

If you attended high school in California for at least three full years and graduated or earned an equivalent degree, you may be eligible for resident (in-state) tuition. You must file an affidavit ([sjsu.edu/registrar/docs/AB\\_540.pdf](http://sjsu.edu/registrar/docs/AB_540.pdf)) with SJSU. You will need to show proof of attendance and graduation. For more information visit [sjsu.edu/registrar/registration/residency/ab540.php](http://sjsu.edu/registrar/registration/residency/ab540.php)

# Housing Costs

Housing rent is based on double occupancy, furnished units with a 10-month contract. Rent includes basic utilities, wi-fi internet access, internet-based TV and furniture. To view the most up-to-date costs for our housing facilities, visit [housing.sjsu.edu](http://housing.sjsu.edu) or [sjsu.edu/ihouse](http://sjsu.edu/ihouse) (Please note: rent amounts are subject to change).

## Meal Plan Costs

Meal plans are mandatory for freshmen living in campus housing. There are a variety of meal plans offered, including plans offering a limited number of meals per semester. Students are sure to find one that fits their needs. Please note that meal plan amounts are subject to change. More information can be found at <https://dineoncampus.com/sjsu>

## Senior Year Costs

Senior year of high school can also run up quite a tab for families. From prom to SAT/ACT tests to graduation, budgeting can help to ensure a reasonable, but memorable final year in high school.

- ACT/SAT Tests: \$50 - \$90 per test
- College Applications: \$43 (average) - \$90 per application

## Optional Costs:

- Test Prep classes for ACT/SAT exams: \$200+ (online), \$600+ (in person)
- High School expenses (prom, pictures, ring, yearbook, graduation, etc.): \$1,500+



# Financial Aid



San José State University's Financial Aid and Scholarship Office provides assistance to students in securing federal, state and university financial aid to achieve their educational pursuits. Each year, SJSU awards and administers more than \$500 million in financial aid to eligible students. Students receive aid in the form of scholarships, grants, work study and loans - funds that help them focus on their education and complete their degree. Learn more at [sjsu.edu/faso](https://sjsu.edu/faso)

## Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

To help cover the cost of attending SJSU, you may apply for financial aid provided through federal grants, state grants, work study and loans by using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You can submit your application starting **October 1, 2020**.

To ensure you receive as much aid as possible, we encourage you to submit your application by the priority deadline, which is **March 2, 2021**. You can apply after March 2 but the amount of financial aid that you receive may be reduced due to available funding. Learn more at [studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa](https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa)

## California Dream Act Application—AB540 Students

AB540 students (undocumented immigrant status) may qualify for the state grant programs that make up the California Dream Act of 2011.

For the California Dream Application, you will need SJSU's six-digit code, which is 001155. You can submit the application starting **October 1, 2020**. To ensure you receive as much aid as possible, we encourage you to submit your application by the priority deadline, which is **March 2, 2021**, at [caldreamact.org](https://caldreamact.org)

## Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) Applicants

If you are applying for the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP), the FAFSA or CA Dream Act application is due **January 31** in order to be considered for the program.

## Financial Aid Disbursement

Financial Aid is only distributed after enrolling in SJSU.

## Financial Aid Timeline

Thursday, October 1, 2020	Financial Aid (FAFSA and California Dream Act) Application Available
Tuesday, March 2, 2021	Financial Aid Priority Deadline
Friday, April 23, 2021	Financial Aid Priority Document Completion Date (for consideration of maximum funding)

# Scholarships

Scholarships are generally based on scholastic achievement and financial need. The Financial Aid and Scholarship Office administers three types of scholarships: SJSU campus-based, department-based and private-based. Hundreds of SJSU scholarships are available, ranging from \$250 to \$4,000 per year. Students are encouraged to apply for as many scholarships as possible to lessen the need for loans or part-time work to pay for the cost of attendance.

For more information visit [sjsu.edu/faso/Scholarships](https://sjsu.edu/faso/Scholarships)



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BA Behavioral Science

# Spartan Support



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Recreation/  
Recreation Therapy

## **Accessible Education Center (AEC)**

The AEC proudly presents its vision of redefining ability by providing comprehensive services in support of the educational development and success of students with disabilities.

## **Academic Advising and Retention Services**

Academic Advising and Retention Services provides advising for General Education, Undeclared-PreNursing students, students requiring supported instruction, international students and those on probation or who have been disqualified.

## **African-American/Black Student Success Center**

The African-American/Black Student Success Center's primary mission is retaining, empowering, and successfully graduating African-American/Black students at SJSU.

## **Career Center**

The Career Center will help you make the most of your degree, with resources for exploring majors and careers, building valuable experience, and launching your career.

## **Cesar E. Chavez Community Action Center (CCCAC)**

The CCCAC connects students with community service opportunities that deepen educational experience while promoting lifelong commitment to civic activism and social justice.

## **Chicanx/Latinx Student Success Center (CLSSC)**

The CLSSC is devoted to providing inclusive and welcoming community spaces that affirm students' intersecting identities, validate their capabilities, develop their skills, and foster positive interactions and relationships.

## **College Student Success Centers**

Each college at San José State provides hands-on advising for students pursuing an academic program (major) within that college. Advisors provide assistance with general advising, changing majors and academic policy-related questions.

## **Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)**

CAPS invites all students to come in for any support needed. The counselors of CAPS stand for cultural diversity and social justice. )

## **Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)**

The Educational Opportunity Program is designed to improve student academic support of first-generation, low-income and educationally disadvantaged students. The program provides admission, academic, and financial assistance to EOP-eligible undergraduate students considered California residents or AB540 students.

## **Financial Aid and Scholarship Office (FASO)**

The Financial Aid and Scholarship Office helps need to cover the cost of their education through grants, loans, work study, and scholarships.

## **Gender Equity Center (GenEC)**

The GenEC strives to empower our students and educate the campus on a multitude of issues facing society based on gender.

## **Guardian Scholars Program (GSP)**

The GSP provides holistic support services for former and current foster youth, wards of the court, unaccompanied homeless youth, and youth under legal guardianship. Guardian Scholars is part of the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP).

## **Library (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library)**

The library offers more than 2.5 million print books and e-books, over 800 electronic databases and over 200,000 e-journals, as well as personalized research guidance and access to technology services which enables students to explore and succeed.

## **MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center**

The MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center provides support services and advocacy for historically underrepresented identity groups, along with programming, events, and leadership opportunities for all students, staff, faculty and San Jose community members.

## **New Student and Family Programs**

We offer several orientation programs to support new students and their family members as they transition to SJSU, including the Parent and Family Portal, which provides a way for parents/families or guardians to stay involved with their Spartan, and Spartan Link, our online pre-orientation module, which is accessible throughout a student's career at SJSU.

## **Peer Connections (Tutoring and Mentoring)**

Peer Connections offers free mentoring, tutoring, and supplemental instruction services for students at SJSU.

## **Pride Center**

The Pride Center offers many different community organizations here at SJSU including HIV Education Program and a mentoring program that supports students in their transition to the SJSU LGBTQ community.

## **Registrar's Office**

The Registrar's Office processes, maintains, and protects all of the official student records at SJSU, from admission to after students graduate.

## **SJSU Cares**

SJSU Cares assists students who are facing an unforeseen economic crisis by providing direct support and referrals around basic needs including food, housing, and emergency assistance.

## **Student Health Center**

When you enroll at SJSU, you gain access to our fully accredited medical facility located on campus in the Student Wellness Center that provides treatment and care in support of the student community's well-being.

## **Student Involvement**

Student Involvement provides co-curricular activities that help students in a number of ways, including: develop critical thinking skills, practice effective communication, build multicultural competence, learn the importance of active citizenship; gain practical competence/life skills; discover their leadership and interpersonal style; and overall, feel more connected to their peers, staff, faculty, and the overall campus community.

## **UndocuSpartan Student Resource Center**

The UndocuSpartan Student Resource Center (USRC) works alongside undocumented/AB540 students and allies to create a campus community that is welcoming and inclusive of all students regardless of their immigration status.

## **Veterans Resource Center**

The one-stop VRC is dedicated to assisting eligible student Veterans, Reservists, National Guard, Active Duty, and dependents with state/federal education benefits and certification, campus resources, and intentional student programs that aid in the transition from military to education to career.

## **Writing Center**

The Writing Center offers a variety of resources to help students become better writers, and all of our services are free for SJSU students.

# SJSU Videos



## Life as a Spartan

(6:15)

- Clubs
- Sammy App
- Welcome Weeks
- Associated Students
- SJSU Cares
- Homecoming
- Fire on the Fountain
- Speaker Series
- Student Wellness Center
- Sporting Events
- Child Care
- Transportation Services
- Print and Technology Services



## Welcome to Campus

A Virtual Campus Tour

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## Academics

Opportunities to Get Involved at SJSU

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## Student Union

Welcome to the Student Union

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## Athletics

SJSU Athletics Facility Tour 2020

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## Housing

Welcome to On-Campus Living

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## Bursar's Office

Meet the Bursar's Office

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## MLK Library

Library Beyond Books

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## Financial Aid

Understanding Financial Aid and Scholarships

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## Hammer Theatre

Enjoy the Show

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## I-House

Welcome to International House: A Virtual Tour

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## SRAC

SJSU Spartan Recreation and Aquatic Center

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## Spartan Eats

How to Dine On Campus

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# Contacts

For a complete campus directory, visit [sjsu.edu/directory](https://sjsu.edu/directory)

## [Accessible Education Center](#)

[aec-info@sjsu.edu](mailto:aec-info@sjsu.edu)  
408-924-6000

## [Admissions](#)

### [\(Undergraduate Admissions Office\)](#)

[admissions@sjsu.edu](mailto:admissions@sjsu.edu)  
408-283-7500

## [\(Pre-\) Admission Counseling](#) [\(Student Outreach and Recruitment\)](#)

[outreach@sjsu.edu](mailto:outreach@sjsu.edu)  
408-924-2564

## [Athletics](#)

408-924-1200  
Twitter: @SJSUAthletics  
Instagram: SJSUSpartans  
Facebook: SJSUSpartans

## [Bookstore](#)

408-924-1800

## [Educational Opportunity Program](#)

[eop@sjsu.edu](mailto:eop@sjsu.edu)  
408-924-2637

## [Fees and Tuition \(Bursar's Office\)](#)

Payments and Refunds  
[bursar@sjsu.edu](mailto:bursar@sjsu.edu)  
408-924-1601

## [Financial Aid and Scholarship Office](#)

[fao@sjsu.edu](mailto:fao@sjsu.edu)  
408-283-7500

## [Housing](#)

[uhs-frontdesk@sjsu.edu](mailto:uhs-frontdesk@sjsu.edu)  
408-795-5600

## [International House \(I-House\)](#)

[ihouse@sjsu.edu](mailto:ihouse@sjsu.edu)  
408-924-6570

## [Library](#)

[\(Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library\)](#)  
408-808-2300

## [Maps/Directions to SJSU](#)

## [Orientation](#)

### [\(New Student and Family Programs\)](#)

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[transfer-orientation@sjsu.edu](mailto:transfer-orientation@sjsu.edu)  
408-924-5972

## [Parent and Family Information](#)

## [Testing Center](#)

[testing-office@sjsu.edu](mailto:testing-office@sjsu.edu)  
408-924-5980

## [Tours of Campus](#) [\(virtual campus tour\)](#)

[outreach@sjsu.edu](mailto:outreach@sjsu.edu)  
408-924-2786

## [Transfer Planning](#)

## [Transportation Solutions](#)

[transportation@sjsu.edu](mailto:transportation@sjsu.edu)  
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## [Tuition and Fees \(Bursar's Office\)](#)

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## [Veterans \(Veterans Resource Center\)](#)

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san-jose-state-university](https://www.linkedin.com/school/san-jose-state-university)

## **ON COVER (Left to Right)**

**Jerome** - Psychology

**Mirella** - Business Administration/Accounting

**Omar** - Art/Design Studies

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ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT | STUDENT OUTREACH AND RECRUITMENT

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## Apply online Cal State Apply

[calstate.edu/apply](https://calstate.edu/apply)

## Student Outreach and Recruitment

(Pre-Admission Counseling)

[sjsu.edu/soar](https://sjsu.edu/soar)

[outreach@sjsu.edu](mailto:outreach@sjsu.edu)

408-924-2564

## Welcome Center

(Campus Tours)

[outreach@sjsu.edu](mailto:outreach@sjsu.edu)

408-924-2786

Due to Covid-19 and Santa Clara County health directives, we recommend that you visit SJSU virtually. (See Below)

## Virtual Campus Tour

To get a feel for SJSU's campus and what it has to offer, take a virtual tour at [youvisit.com/tour/sjsu?pl](https://youvisit.com/tour/sjsu?pl)

## Looking to make the most of your SJSU experience?

We offer more than 450 student-led organizations, a thriving fraternity and sorority community and excellent leadership development opportunities.

[sjsu.edu/getinvolved](https://sjsu.edu/getinvolved)

## Non-Discrimination Policy

San José State University does not discriminate on the basis of accent, age, ancestry, citizenship status, color, creed, disability, ethnicity, gender, marital status, medical condition, national origin, race, religion or lack thereof, sex, sexual orientation, transgender, genetics or veteran's status. This policy applies to all SJSU students, faculty and staff programs and activities. Questions regarding this policy should be directed to the director of the Office for Equal Opportunity, 408-924-2250.

SJSU prohibits sex and gender-based discrimination, harassment and retaliation, sexual misconduct, dating and domestic violence and stalking against students, faculty, staff and third-parties. Please direct questions regarding these policies to the University's Title IX Office at 408-924-7290 or [titleix@sjsu.edu](mailto:titleix@sjsu.edu). **Learn more at** [sjsu.edu/diversity/titleix](https://sjsu.edu/diversity/titleix)

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