

SAN JOSÉ STATE UNIVERSITY

STEPS TO ADMISSION

FALL 2025

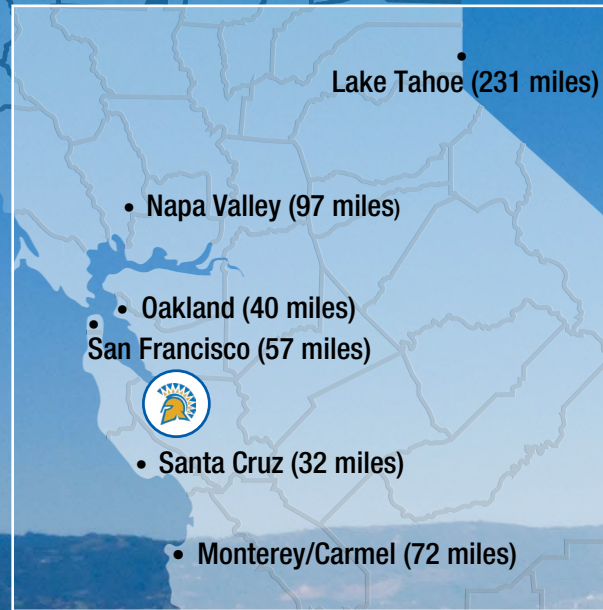


SJSU | STUDENT OUTREACH AND RECRUITMENT

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Why SJSU

When you choose San José State University, you will join a community of scholars, creators, and friends, each adding their unique experiences and skills to create positive change.



Imagine yourself here – visit our beautiful campus!

We can't wait to show you all the reasons you should choose SJSU. We offer in-person, group, individual and virtual tours. sjsu.edu/soar/services/campus-tours



Scan this QR code for more information on our tours.

Recognized by the Wall Street Journal for Salaries of our Graduates

Our programs in Accounting (#1), Marketing (#2), Data Science (#4), Engineering (#5), and Software Development (#6) were all ranked in the top six nationally for graduates in high-paying jobs.

Best Undergraduate Engineering Program

Ranked #6 by U.S. News and World Report among public universities that offer bachelor's and master's degrees.

50% Less Debt

On average, SJSU undergraduates graduate with less than half the average debt of California college graduates. Visit sjsu.edu/impact for more information.

Leading Wildfire Research

SJSU's Wildfire Interdisciplinary Research Center (WIRC) is the nation's largest wildfire research center and the leading institution for wildfire research and management in California. go.sjsu.edu/wildfire22

Best Value in the West

Ranked #1 among public universities by U.S. News and World Report in Best Value based on academic quality and net cost of attendance.

Top Hiring Employers

Accenture
 Adobe Systems
 Amazon
 Apple
 Applied Materials
 Bloom Energy
 City of San José
 Enterprise Mobility
 Genentech
 Google, Inc.
 Hewlett Packard Enterprise
 IBM
 Intel Corporation
 Juniper Networks
 Kaiser Permanente
 Lockheed Martin
 Microsoft
 National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
 NVIDIA
 Oracle
 PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC)
 Salesforce
 Stanford University
 Target Corporation
 Tesla
 Thermo Fisher Scientific

Visit the Career Center at sjsu.edu/careercenter to learn more about the careers our graduates pursue and resources to guide your choice of major to reach your career goals.

Explore San José, Silicon Valley and beyond

Recently ranked one of the top places to live in America by U.S. News and World Report, San José is a vibrant city where you can watch national sporting events, concerts and improv comedy; check out the latest exhibit in our museums of technology, science and art; or explore our many restaurants representing a wide variety of cuisines.

San José is located in the heart of Silicon Valley — an area of Northern California that is home to thousands of companies known for their entrepreneurial and innovative contributions to industry like Google, Apple, Adobe Systems, Intel and many more.

Within driving distance, you can visit the beaches and Boardwalk of Santa Cruz (30 minutes), San Francisco (50 minutes), Oakland (40 minutes), Napa Valley (1.5 hours), Yosemite National Park (3.5 hours), or go skiing in Tahoe (4.5 hours). There are so many experiences waiting for you as a Spartan! Check out sjsu.edu/visit/silicon-valley.php

Our Impact, Amplified

SJSU makes invaluable economic, fiscal and social contributions to the City of San José, the Silicon Valley, the Bay Area and beyond. Learn more at sjsu.edu/impact

Top Colleges for Diversity in the West

Ranked #3 among public universities by U.S. News and World Report for Campus Ethnic Diversity.

Rated 4.5 out of 5 stars in Money magazine's Best College Ranking for 2024

Ratings were based on factors that revolved around quality of education, affordability and outcomes for graduates.

\$2.5 Billion More

Attending SJSU increases an individual's future earnings; SJSU alumni earn \$2.5 billion more than individuals holding an associate degree or higher in California.

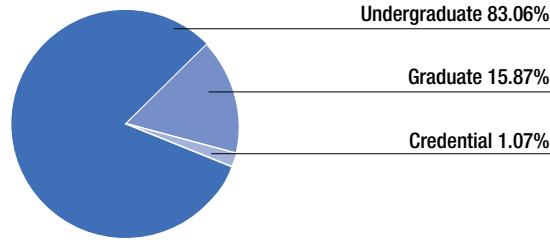
Diversifying the Workplace

SJSU students — over 83% people of color and 42% first generation college students — go on to work for the world's biggest companies.

Student Body FALL 2023

Student Body

32,229
(STATE-SUPPORTED STUDENTS)



Average Class Size

27
STUDENTS

UNDERGRADUATE



14
STUDENTS

GRADUATE



Average Age

21.9
YEARS OLD

UNDERGRADUATE

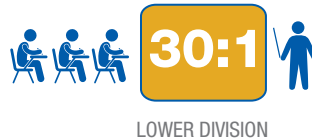
29.1
YEARS OLD

GRADUATE

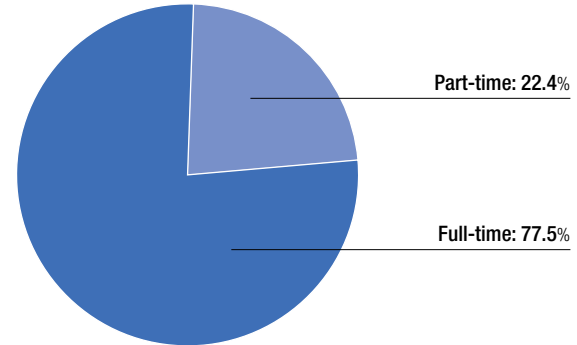
31.7
YEARS OLD

CREDENTIAL

Student to Faculty Ratio



Enrollment Status



FULL-TIME STUDENT

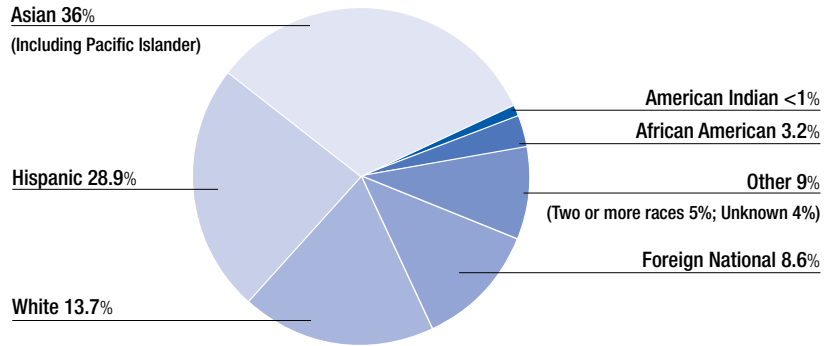
AN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT ENROLLED FOR 12.0 OR MORE STUDENT CREDIT UNITS IN A SEMESTER OR A GRADUATE STUDENT ENROLLED FOR 9.0 OR MORE STUDENT CREDIT UNITS IN A SEMESTER.

PART-TIME STUDENT

AN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT ENROLLED IN FEWER THAN 12.0 STUDENT CREDIT UNITS IN A SEMESTER OR A GRADUATE STUDENT ENROLLED IN FEWER THAN 9.0 STUDENT CREDIT UNITS IN A SEMESTER.

Campus Profile

Race/Ethnicity



Gender

♀ **49.5%**
FEMALE

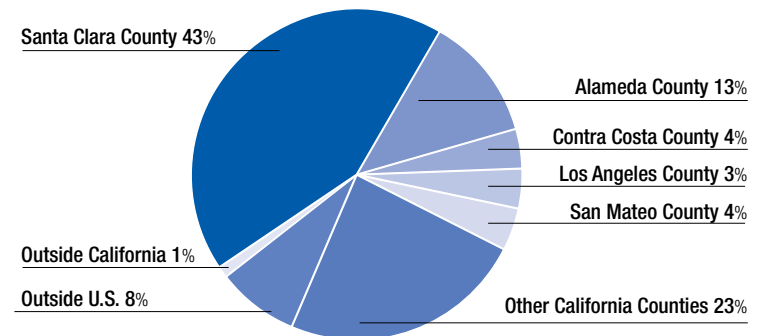
♂ **50.5%**
MALE

Degrees Awarded In 2022/2023

6,819
BACHELOR'S

3,220
MASTER'S

Where do SJSU students call home?



Majors

African American Studies

BA, African American Studies +

Anthropology

BA, Anthropology
BA, Anthropology (Online) □
BA, Behavioral Science

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 Sciences ●
BS, Biological Sciences, 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 ●
- General Business (Online) □
- Hospitality, Tourism, and Event Management ●
- Human Resource Management ●
- International Business ●
- Management ●
- Management Information Systems ●
- Marketing ●
- Operations and Supply Chain Management ●

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 ●
BS, Data Science ●
BS, Computer Science and Linguistics ●

Creative Arts

BA, Creative Arts

Design

BA, Design Studies
BFA, Animation and Illustration ◆
BFA, Graphic Design
(Not available to applicants. SJSU coursework/portfolio required)
BFA, Interior Design
(Not available to applicants. SJSU coursework/portfolio required)
BS, Industrial Design
(Not available to applicants. SJSU coursework/portfolio required)

Economics

BA, Economics
BA, Economics (Online) □
BS, Economics

Education

BS, Communicative Disorders and Sciences

Engineering ★

BS, Aerospace Engineering ● +
BS, Biomedical Engineering ●
BS, Chemical Engineering ● +
BS, Civil Engineering ●
BS, Computer Engineering ●
BS, Electrical Engineering ● +
BS, Industrial and Systems Engineering ●
BS, Interdisciplinary Engineering ●
BS, Materials Engineering ● +
BS, Mechanical Engineering ●
BS, Software Engineering ●

Engineering Technology ★

BS, Engineering Technology, Concentrations in

- Computer Network System Management ●
- Manufacturing Systems ●

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 ▲
BA, Dance
BFA, Dance

Geography

BA, Geography
BS, Geographic Information Science

Geology

BS, Geology ●
BS, Earth System Science ●

History

BA, History
BA, Social Science,
Preparation for Teaching (Single Subject) +

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 +

Information Science and Data Analytics

BS, Information Science and Data Analytics
BS, Information Science and Data Analytics (Online) □

Interdisciplinary Studies

BA, Interdisciplinary Studies, Concentration in Educational and
Community Leadership (Online) □
BS, Interdisciplinary Studies, Concentration in Health Care
Leadership Concentration (Online) □

Journalism and Mass Communications

BS, Advertising
BS, Journalism
BS, Public Relations
BS, Public Relations (Online) □

Justice Studies

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

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Crime Scene Investigation
- Digital Evidence

Kinesiology

BS, Kinesiology ●
BS, Kinesiology, Preparation for Teaching ● +

Linguistics and Language Development

BA, Linguistics

Mathematics and Statistics

BS, Applied Mathematics, Applied and Computational Mathematics ●
BA, Mathematics ●
BA, Mathematics, Integrated Teacher Education Program ●
BS, Statistics ●

Meteorology and Climate Science

BS, Meteorology ●
BS, Climate Science ●

Music and Dance

BA, Music ▲
BM, Music, Concentrations in

- Composition
- Jazz Studies
- Music Education
- Performance

Nursing

BS, Nursing ●
BS, Nursing (Pre-Licensure) Undeclared ●
BS, Nursing (Concurrent Enrollment Program ADN to BSN)

Nutrition, Food Science and Packaging

BS, Nutritional Science, Concentrations in

- Applied Nutrition and Food Sciences +
- Dietetics +
- Food Management +

 BS, Packaging +

Philosophy

BA, Philosophy ▲

Physics and Astronomy

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

Political Science

BA, Political Science

Psychology

BA, Psychology ●

Public Health

BS, Public Health ●
BS, Public Health (Online) □
BS, Public Health, Concentration in Community Health Education ●
BS, Public Health, Concentration in Population Data Science ●

Sociology and Interdisciplinary Social Sciences

BA, Asian American Studies
BA, Sociology
BA, Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies

Social Work

BA, Social Work ●

Undeclared

Freshmen only

World Languages and Literatures

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



Check out our catalog for more information about majors including fully online degree completion options, our list of 130+ minors, and available SAGE programs.

Impaction 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 or talent-based assessment.

- Program Specific Course Preparation
- ▲ Program Specific Associate Degree for Transfer

Animation and Illustration Applicants

Animation and Illustration freshman and transfer applicants are required to submit a talent-based assessment (a short set of drawing exercises provided by SJSU) during the application process. Department/Faculty review of submitted assessment could result in a GPA bump in the admission consideration process.

- ▲ Program Specific Supplemental Drawing Exercises

★ 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.

Transfer applicants to specified majors will be required to complete certain program-specific courses to be eligible for admission. Preference will be given to applicants who complete additional program-specific courses as designated at sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction

□ Special Session Programs

Special Session degree programs are completely funded from student tuition, and they do not receive any financial support from the State of California.

+ Spartan Accelerated Graduate Education (SAGE) Scholars

Apply with your advisor to become a Spartan Accelerated Graduate Education (SAGE) Scholar to earn a combined bachelor's and master's degree at SJSU. Sometimes they may also satisfy the requirements for a teaching credential. Check out the updated list of available SAGE programs by searching for "SAGE Scholars" at catalog.sjsu.edu/content.php?catoid=14&navoid=5107

Change of Major

Choose your primary and alternate majors carefully. We cannot accommodate change-of-major requests during the admission process. If you are admitted, your major cannot be changed until after classes start.

Graduate Degrees

For a list of graduate degrees and credentials, visit sjsu.edu/admissions/graduate/degree-programs.php



SJSU is impacted in every major. We will rank applicants in each major and admit the number of students that can be accommodated in that major for that term. The GPA (impaction threshold) will change from year to year as a result. Many of our majors have the capacity to offer admission to all applicants. You can research your major at sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction or by scanning the QR code. Looking for an Average GPA? Scan the QR code to see how competitive (impacted) your major was last year.

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, summer, and/or fall 2020 terms and during winter, spring, or summer 2021 terms.

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

Graduate

Earn a high school diploma or equivalent.

SAT/ACT Scores

The CSU is TEST FREE! At SJSU, we encourage you to submit AP, SAT and ACT scores to help with course placement only.

Eligibility Index (EI)

For Fall 2025, SJSU will use your Grade Point Average (GPA) to calculate your Eligibility Index.

Grade Point Average (GPA)

Your official GPA for admission to SJSU may be different from 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. The grades from your 12th grade year will be reviewed after your high school graduation to verify your admission eligibility.

Minimum Eligibility Index (EI)

Applicants will be eligible for admission consideration according to the following:

Residency	Minimum GPA Requirement (a-g 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 calstate.edu/apply/gpa-calculator

Impaction Criteria (for Freshmen)

Meeting Minimum Admission Requirements Does Not Guarantee Admission

Admission to San Jose State is competitive in all majors (this is called “impaction”). We will review applicants for each major and admit the number of CSU-eligible students that will meet that program’s capacity to enroll new students.

Many of our majors have the capacity to accept all applicants. You can research your major at sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction

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 includes preference for local applicants At SJSU, 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.

Applicants to the BFA in Animation and Illustration will be asked to complete a short supplemental drawing exercise as part of the application process. Faculty assessment of the submission could result in an additional GPA bump.

Please see sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction for details about this process for Fall 2025.

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

STEP 2 Choose your major carefully

- We admit to major. Check out how competitive your major has been historically by visiting sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction
- Change of major is never guaranteed and cannot be considered until after classes start.
- Must pick an alternate major (not all majors are available, particularly highly competitive majors).

STEP 3 Apply to San José State University at CalState.edu/Apply

Please consult the Cal State Apply Freshmen Coursework Entry Guide for questions about how to enter coursework (calstate.edu/apply/freshman/Documents/cal-state-apply-freshman-application-guide.pdf). You can also visit sjsu.edu/soar/events to view LIVE and pre-recorded Cal State Apply workshops from October–November and ask questions directly to a pre-admissions counselor.

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Your SJSUOne ID and password will get you into MySJSU.

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Click on the “sign in” link and enter your nine-digit SJSU ID and the password you created. Then, search for “MySJSU” in the search box.

STEP 7 Check MySJSU Weekly (one.sjsu.edu)

You will receive important and timely notices, such as admission, fees, financial aid, enrollment appointment, test and transcript information, and deadlines.

STEP 8 Complete the required high school (a-g) courses with grades of “C-” or better (prior to high school graduation date)

A list of approved courses can be found at <https://hs-articulation.ucop.edu/agcourselist>

STEP 9 Earn a high school diploma or equivalent

Your graduation date must be included in your final transcripts.

Timeline

FALL 2024



October 1
Admission Application available
EOP Application available



December 2
Admission Application Deadline and Application Fee Due \$70
EOP Priority Application Due
Check MySJSU at one.sjsu.edu



December 6
Applicants to BFA in Animation and Illustration must submit supplemental drawing exercises at Cal State Apply

WINTER 2025



January 15
Final EOP Application Deadline



January 22-31
Check MySJSU account for admission status updates



January 31
EOP Documents Deadline (EOP Recommendation Forms and FAFSA/CA Dream Act)

SPRING 2025



March 2
Financial Aid (FAFSA/CA Dream Act) Priority Filing Deadline



Mid-March - April 30
Attend new student events and Next Steps presentations



April 26
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 2025



July 15
Final transcripts Deadline (Postmarked)

MEET ALL DEADLINES

Check your To Do List in MySJSU for deadlines weekly. If you miss a 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 prior to the deadline date so that we can help you.

LOCAL APPLICANTS

San José State gives preference to local applicants.

Learn more about local preference at sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction

COURSEWORK OUTSIDE U.S.

When you fill out the admission application at CalState.edu/Apply, you must include all high schools and colleges/universities attended, including those outside of the U.S. Please note that a translation must be provided of documents for schools not taught in English. Failure to report an institution could negatively affect our ability to verify your eligibility for admission.

NOT CURRENTLY CSU-ELIGIBLE?

Learn more about our Transfer Success Pathways Program! TSP is available for first-time community college students who have faced academic, financial, or personal hardships that previously prevented them from attending. More information can be found at sjsu.edu/admissions/transfer/want-to-apply/transfer-success-pathway/index.php

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 2025 term. Learn about courses accepted at 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 or transfer.sjsu.edu

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. SJSU is an impacted campus that must reserve enrollment capacity for students who are seeking their first bachelor's degree.

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 2025 term to be eligible for admission for the Fall 2025 semester. Courses taken during the Summer 2025 term will not be counted toward the completion of academic requirements for Fall 2025. You must earn a "C-" or higher in each basic skills course. SJSU will also accept "Credit" or "Pass" grades for courses taken during 2020, and the winter 2021, spring 2021, or summer 2021 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. Note: SJSU's Supplemental Application is different from updates submitted in Cal State Apply.

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 an approved similar baccalaureate degree program as long as the student meets all admission requirements. Verification of degree completion will be required prior to enrollment.

Transfers with the AA-T or AS-T degree who do not meet SJSU's impaction 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 icangotocollege.com

Impaction Criteria (for Transfers)

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CSU eligible transfer applicants will be ranked in each major based on their self-reported GPA (as reported in the required supplemental application).

Majors with Preparation Courses (Program-Specific)

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 a higher GPA.

Applicants to designated majors within the College of Engineering will be required to complete program-specific preparation courses to be eligible for admission.

The program-specific courses that will be considered are listed at sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction. For more SJSU Transfer Planning Information and Resources: transfer.sjsu.edu

Applicants to the Animation & Illustration Program

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Previous Years' Thresholds

To view how competitive your major has been historically, visit sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction (Please keep in mind the thresholds change each year). Many of our majors have the capacity to serve all applicants. You can research your major at sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction

Transfer Steps to Admission

STEP 1 Meet all of the CSU admissions requirements

- Complete the requirements below by the end of the Spring term
- Junior Standing (60 semester units/90 quarter units)
- 30 semester units/45 quarter units of general education, including Four Basic Skills Courses
- College Grade point average of 2.00 or better in all transferable courses. Be sure to meet minimum GPA for your major (see "Impaction Criteria")
- Supplemental coursework – if needed for major

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STEP 8 Complete the Supplemental Application by January 24, 2025

The application is used by SJSU to rank applicants within each degree program for admission purposes. For help completing the application, consult our Supplemental Help Guide at sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction/supplemental-application-transfers/supplemental-app-help-guide.php

STEP 9 Submit transcripts when requested on your MySJSU "To Do List"

STEP 10 Complete all required courses with grades of "C" or better by the end of the Spring 2025 term.

Timeline

FALL 2024



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December 2

Admission Application Deadline and Application Fee Due \$70
EOP Priority Application Due
Check MySJSU at one.sjsu.edu



December 6

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WINTER 2025



January 15

Final EOP Application Deadline



January 24

Mandatory: complete the SJSU-specific Supplemental Application for admission



January 31

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



February 15

Petition for Re-Admission as a Former Student Returning
Check MySJSU account for admission status updates



March 23

Work in Progress (Partial) Transcript Deadline
AP Exam Scores



SPRING 2025



March 2

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



April 26

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 2025



July 15

Final transcripts Deadline (Postmarked)

MEET ALL DEADLINES

Check your To Do List in MySJSU for deadlines weekly. Deadlines are in place to ensure that you meet all requirements for enrollment. If you know that you will miss a deadline, contact admissions@sjsu.edu prior to the deadline date so that we can help you.

LOCAL APPLICANTS

San José State gives preference to local applicants. Learn more about local preference at sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction

FORMER STUDENTS

Students who have previously attended SJSU, and left in good academic standing, will need to reapply via CalStateApply by February 1, 2025, in order to be reactivated to take classes. Please review our returning student website (sjsu.edu/admissions/transfer/want-to-apply/former-student) for more information.

DISQUALIFIED STUDENTS

To be considered for admission, former SJSU students who have been disqualified must also complete and submit the Reinstatement Petition (sjsu.edu/registrar/academic-records/reinstatement). Please follow the instructions on each of these forms to successfully return to SJSU. Submit the form by January 15, 2025.

COURSEWORK OUTSIDE U.S.

Very Important! 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. Please note that a translation must be provided of documents for schools not taught in English. Failure to report an institution could negatively affect our ability to verify your eligibility for admission.



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
Food and Housing	\$11,493	\$20,971	\$22,086
Transportation	\$1,791	\$1,233	\$1,962
Miscellaneous/Personal	\$4,059	\$3,213	\$4,968
Books and Supplies	\$1,062	\$1,062	\$1,062
**Tuition Fees (6.1 or more units)	\$8,410	\$8,410	\$8,410
Undergraduate Total	\$26,815	\$34,889	\$38,488

* Campus Housing costs: average of CV2/Double and CV Suites/ Double + Plan 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 \$420 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 they qualify to receive the in-state tuition rate. Certain requirements, established under California law, must be met.

Visit the California State University site at www2.calstate.edu/apply/california-residency-for-tuition-purposes/Pages/default.aspx for additional information regarding residency.

Veterans: please contact the Veterans Resource Center at sjsu.edu/veterans/about/contact-us.php to see if you qualify for in-state tuition.

In-State Tuition for Certain Nonresidents 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 AB 540 affidavit with SJSU. We encourage students who are undocumented to explore more to see if they qualify for the exemption. Undergraduate Students are eligible in the following circumstances:

- U.S Citizens
- Permanent Residents
- Undocumented Students (Including DACA, TPS, asylum, Special Immigrant Juvenile Status, T and U Visa holders)

For more information visit sjsu.edu/registrar/registration/residency/ab540.php

Financial Aid

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



Scan this QR code to see our **Financial Aid Brochure**.

Financial Aid Application Timeline

You can start applying for financial aid beginning in December 2024 through either the FAFSA or the CA Dream Act Application. To ensure you receive as much aid as possible, we encourage you to submit your application by the priority deadline: March 2, 2025. You can apply after March 2, but the amount of financial aid that you receive may be reduced due to available funding.

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): studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa

California Dream Act Application — AB 540 Students

AB 540 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: [Caldreamact.org](https://caldreamact.org)

For more information refer to UndocuSpartan Student Resource Center FAQs: sjsu.edu/registrar/registration/residency/ab540.php

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, 2025, to be considered for the program. EOP provides assistance to first-generation, limited-income undergraduate students. See sjsu.edu/eop/eop/apply.php for more information.

Guardian Scholars Program (GSP)

Applications for the Guardian Scholars Program are open on a rolling basis for students who experienced foster care and non-traditional living environments. Resources and support services are available for participating undergraduate and graduate scholars.

Email us at guardianscholars@sjsu.edu for more information.

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 scholarships to lessen the need for loans or part-time work to pay for the cost of attendance. sjsu.edu/faso/types-of-aid/scholarships

Students who are undocumented can find more info at sjsu.edu/undocuspartan



Housing Costs

Housing rent is based on double occupancy, furnished units with a 10-month contract. Rent includes basic utilities, WiFi internet access, and furniture. To view the current costs for our housing facilities, visit housing.sjsu.edu or sjsu.edu/ihouse. All students living in our traditional halls/suites are required to select a full mandatory meal plan. There are a variety of meal plans offered, including plans offering a limited number of meals per semester. Meal plan amounts are subject to change. More information can be found at dineoncampus.com/sjsu. Take a 3D tour of our residence halls and apartments! sjsu.edu/housing/how-we-can-help/tours.php



Scan this QR code to see our **housing brochure**

Spartan Life

Discover what's happening on SJSU campus at sjsu.edu/discover

Athletics

Enjoy a vibrant and competitive Division I athletics program with 22 men's and women's sports teams, including the Mountain West Conference Champion teams in women's soccer and men's baseball.

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, shops, and a thriving nightlife, all of which is easily accessible by public transportation.

Eateries

There are a number of places to eat on and near campus, many of which reflect the diversity of the Bay Area by offering Caribbean, Middle Eastern, Vietnamese, Indian, and Mexican cuisines, plus much more.

Events

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

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

Enjoy our Spartan Recreation and Aquatic Center, a 128,000-square-foot structure that offers something for every student, including fitness classes, sporting and recreation, a 50-meter lap pool, rock-climbing and pick-up games.

Housing

SJSU provides a variety of residential halls for you to choose from. We offer traditional and suite-style housing and apartment-style-living, and an International House (I-House). Living on campus provides opportunities to meet other students, participate in residence community programs, and have easy access to student organizations, campus events and a variety of academic resources.

Location

Located in Silicon Valley, San José is the 12th largest city in the country. With 300 days of sunshine per year, San José sits roughly 50 miles south of San Francisco and Oakland and 35 miles north of Santa Cruz.

Mobile App

San José State has its own mobile app (SAMMY) 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 top hiring employers.

Safety

San José State provides 24/7 features for student safety, including round-the-clock patrols of SJSU and free safety escort service to any location on campus by the University Police Department (UPD). Bluelight phones are located across SJSU to contact UPD to request an escort, report an emergency, request motorist assistance, or use the Safe Ride Program.

Sports

SJSU offers opportunities for students to compete against other students in various intramural sports and on Club Sports teams.

Student Union

The Ramiro Diaz and Lupe Compean Diaz 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 more 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, rentable scooters, and even riding your bicycle.

University Library

San José State University's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library provides access to research services, collections, and innovative technologies and spaces to help you succeed in your academic career, and offers unique programs in partnership in its role as a city-university joint library with the City of San José.

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.

Academics

Ranked #3 among top public universities in the West by U.S. News & World Report.

Social Mobility

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

History

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

Research

With \$72 million in annual research expenditures, SJSU is a top-200 school nationally in terms of research spending.



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Careers

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

Sustainability

San José State ranks #6 among Master's institutions in the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) Top Performers List based on 17 sustainability impact areas.

Innovation

Ranked #3 among top public universities in the West by U.S. News & World Report for innovation institutions.

Clubs

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

Veterans

SJSU is among the nation's top veteran-serving academic institutions.

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Spartan Support

Accessible Education Center (AEC)

sjsu.edu/aec

Black Leadership and Opportunity Center (BLOC)

sjsu.edu/thebloc

Bursar's Office

sjsu.edu/bursar

Career Center

sjsu.edu/careercenter

Center for Asian Pacific Islander Student Empowerment (CAPISE)

sjsu.edu/capise

Cesar E. Chavez Community Action Center (CCCAC)

sjsu.edu/as/departments/cesar-chavez-center

Chicanx/Latinx Student Success Center

sjsu.edu/chicanxlatinxscc

College Student Success Centers

sjsu.edu/advising

Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)

sjsu.edu/eop

Financial Aid and Scholarship Office (FASO)

sjsu.edu/faso

Gender Equity Center (GenEC)

sjsu.edu/genec

Guardian Scholars Program (GSP)

sjsu.edu/guardianscholars

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

library.sjsu.edu

MOSAIC Cross Cultural Center

sjsu.edu/mosaic

Native American Indigenous Student Success Center (NAISSC)

sjsu.edu/naissc

New Student and Family Programs

sjsu.edu/newspartans

Peer Connections (Tutoring and Mentoring)

sjsu.edu/peerconnections

Pride Center

sjsu.edu/pride

Registrar's Office

sjsu.edu/registrar

SJSU Cares

sjsu.edu/sjsucares

Student Wellness Center

sjsu.edu/wellness

Student Involvement

sjsu.edu/getinvolved

The Office for Title IX and Equal Opportunity

sjsu.edu/titleixeo

Exploratory Student Success Center (Undeclared Advising)

sjsu.edu/exploratory/index.php

UndocuSpartan Student Resource Center

sjsu.edu/undocuspartan

University Housing Services

sjsu.edu/housing

Veterans Resource Center

sjsu.edu/veterans

Writing Center

sjsu.edu/writingcenter

Admissions Checklist

■ TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2024

Applications open for Admission and EOP (Educational Opportunity Program)
Visit sjsu.edu/soar/events to view LIVE and pre-recorded Cal State Apply workshops from October - November, and ask questions directly to a pre-admissions counselor.

■ MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2024

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

■ WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2025

Final EOP Application Deadline

■ FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 2025

Supplemental Application for Admission Deadline (Transfers Only)

■ FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2025

EOP Documents Deadline (documents include
EOP recommendation forms and FAFSA/CA Dream Act Application)

■ SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2025

Deadline to submit Cal State Apply application for former students returning.

■ SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2025

Petition for Re-Admission as a Former Student Returning (Transfers Only) is due

■ SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 2025

Financial Aid Priority Deadline

■ SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2025

Work in Progress (Partial) Transcript Deadline (Transfers Only)

■ MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2025

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

■ THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2025

Intent to Enroll Deadline (Sign up for orientation)
Housing Application Deadline

■ END OF SPRING 2025

Complete Admission Requirements

■ POSTMARKED BY TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2025

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.
- Stay eligible! We will verify that you are CSU eligible. Make up any missing requirements immediately.

Contacts

Accessible Education Center

sjsu.edu/aec/howtoregister/futurestudent.php
aec-info@sjsu.edu
408-924-6000

Admissions

(Undergraduate Admissions Office)
sjsu.edu/admissions
admissions@sjsu.edu
408-283-7500
(Pre-) Admission Counseling
(Student Outreach and Recruitment)
sjsu.edu/soar
outreach@sjsu.edu
408-924-2564

Athletics

sjsuspartans.com
408-924-1200
Twitter: @SJSUAthletics
Instagram: @SJSUSpartans
Facebook: SJSUSpartans

Bookstore

spartanbookstore.com
408-924-1800

Educational Opportunity Program

sjsu.edu/eop
eop@sjsu.edu
408-924-2637

Financial Aid and Scholarship Office

sjsu.edu/faso
fao@sjsu.edu
408-283-7500

Graduate Studies (College of)

sjsu.edu/cgs/prospective-students
grad-admissions@sjsu.edu
(408) 283-7500, press 2

Guardian Scholars Program

sjsu.edu/guardianscholars
guardian.scholars@sjsu.edu
408-924-6955

Housing

sjsu.edu/housing
uhs-frontdesk@sjsu.edu
408-795-5600

International House (I-House)

sjsu.edu/ihouse
ihouse@sjsu.edu
408-924-6570

International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS)

sjsu.edu/issv
international-office@sjsu.edu
408-924-5920

International Undergraduate Admissions

international-admission@sjsu.edu

Library

(Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library)
library.sjsu.edu
408-808-2300

Maps/Directions to SJSU

sjsu.edu/map/directions

Orientation

(New Student and Family Programs)
sjsu.edu/newspartans
frosh-orientation@sjsu.edu
transfer-orientation@sjsu.edu
408-924-5972

Parent and Family Information

(New Student and Family Programs)
sjsu.edu/newspartans
mystudentis@sjsu.edu
408-924-5972

Tours of Campus

sjsu.edu/soar/services/campus-tours.php
outreach@sjsu.edu
408-924-2786

Transfer Planning

transfer.sjsu.edu

Transportation Solutions

as.sjsu.edu/asts
transportation@sjsu.edu
408-924-7433

Tuition and Fees (Bursar's Office)

sjsu.edu/bursar
bursar@sjsu.edu
408-924-1601

UndocuSpartan Student Resource Center

sjsu.edu/undocuspartan
undocuspartan@sjsu.edu
408-924-2762

Veterans (Veterans Resource Center)

sjsu.edu/veterans
veterans@sjsu.edu
408-924-8129

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@SJSU on X (formerly Twitter)



linkedin.com/school/san-jose-state-university



@SJSU on YouTube



facebook.com/sanjosestate

Statement of Nondiscrimination

The California State University (CSU) is committed to maintaining an inclusive community that values diversity and fosters tolerance and mutual respect. CSU does not discriminate on the basis of sex or gender, which includes gender identity (including transgender), gender expression, sexual orientation or sex stereotype in its education programs or activities. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and certain other federal and state laws, prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex or gender or sexual orientation in employment, as well as in all education programs and activities operated by the University (both on and off-campus). The protection against discrimination on the basis of gender or sexual orientation includes sexual harassment, sexual misconduct, and dating and domestic violence, and stalking. The Office for Title IX and Equal Opportunity is responsible for discrimination, harassment, and retaliation based on gender, as described above, as well as the oversight of compliance with non-discrimination, harassment, and retaliation based on Age, Disability (physical and mental), Genetic Information, Marital Status, Medical Condition, Nationality, Race or Ethnicity (including color or ancestry), Religion (or Religious Creed), and/or Veteran Status or Military Status, and other characteristics that make our community unique.

For more information related to the Office for Title IX and Equal Opportunity, including who to contact and links to policies, visit sjsu.edu/titleixeo

Apply online Cal State Apply

calstate.edu/apply

Student Outreach and Recruitment

(Pre-Admission Counseling)

sjsu.edu/soar

outreach@sjsu.edu | 408-924-2564

Instagram: @futurespartans

Welcome Center (Campus Tours)

outreach@sjsu.edu

408-924-2786

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

Looking to make the most of your SJSU experience?

We offer more than 400 student-led organizations, a thriving fraternity and sorority community and excellent leadership development opportunities.

sjsu.edu/getinvolved

All information, dates, test scores, and fees are subject to change without notice.

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Graciela, Chemistry; Meghana, Speech Language Pathology; Miles, Business Administration/Human Resource Management; Isaiah, Economics

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