

## FAQs for the Fall 2021 Application Season

This document is 20 pages with over 50 FAQs.

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**Students are strongly encouraged to complete the CSU Application Screening Document. This will help students identify and organize important information to complete the Fall 2021 transfer application.**

**1. Question: I filled out the application but I can't choose SDSU or any of the schools I want. It just shows SDSU Global campus. Or The program I wanted is not in the program list?**

- **Answer:** *When completing your extended profile did you select you have less than 60 units? Go back and change to upper division transfer.*
  - “Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

**2. Question: How do I calculate my GPA?**

- **Answer:** *It is best if you utilize our GPA calculator tool. Here is the link for the electronic tool*  
<http://www.sdmesa.edu/student-services/transfer-center/documents/GPACOMPUTATIONSHEET.pdf>
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**3. Question: How do I qualify for the CSU fee waiver? / What if I can't afford the application fee? / Where can I get financial aid to pay the application fee?**

- **Answer:** *To be considered for the application fee waiver, you must be:*
  1. An undergraduate student (you cannot be in an extension program)
  2. A California resident for more than one year.
  3. A U.S. citizen or someone without lawful immigration status who qualifies for an AB540 non-resident tuition exception.
  4. The CSU application will determine your eligibility for the fee waiver based on how questions are answered in the first quadrant of the CSU application.
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**4. Question: Where do I apply to the CSU Application?**

- **Answer:** *www2.calstate.edu/apply - Scroll down to the drop-down menu titled: "Select a Term to Apply for" and make the appropriate selection*
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**5. Question: If I already made an account last year/previously, do I need to make a new account?**

- **Answer:** *Yes - a new account must be made for each term/quarter*
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**6. Question: How much does it cost to apply?**

- **Answer:** *Each admission application you file requires a \$70 application fee starting in Fall 2020. This fee is nonrefundable and may not be transferred to another term.*

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## 7. Question: When is the deadline to submit my application?

- **Answer:**

<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/Pages/application-dates-deadlines.aspx> - A list of initial filing period dates for submitting your application to the CSU can be found in this link.

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- <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>”

## 8. Question: What if I miss the initial filing period?

- **Answer:** *Some campuses will continue to accept applications after the initial filing period, though many will not. In addition, if you are applying to a high-demand (impacted) major at any CSU campus, then you must file during the initial filing period. Be sure to check the [application status page](#) for the campus(es) in which you are interested to learn more about application filing periods, closed majors and impacted programs.*

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## 9. Question: Do I send my application to each campus I’m applying to?

- **Answer:** *When you complete your application online, you will select the campus(es) and program(s) that you’d like to apply to.*
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**10. Question: What is the difference between Transferring with an Associate Degree for Transfer (AA-T/AS-T) and Transferring from a community college or four-year institution?**

- **Answer:** *Transferring with an AA-T/AS-T means that the student is earning an Associates of Arts or Sciences when they graduate from the SDCCD (Mesa, Miramar, City, or Continuing Ed.). This degree may be part of the students path to earning a Bachelor's Degree from the school they are transferring to. If the student is **not** earning an Associates from the SDCCD, and is just transferring, they will select the latter option.*
- All transfer students NOT getting an ADT need to select "Greater than or equal to 60 semesters or 90 quarter hours (equivalent to Junior or higher)" in the extended profile. Otherwise degree program options will be severely limited. You will have 60 units by the end of spring to transfer for the Fall.
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**11. Question: What if my Associate's Degree is not listed under "ADT Program"?**

- **Answer:** *The student's degree may not be transferable **OR** they may have to transfer under a different program. Suggest that the student visit [www.adegreewithaguarantee.com](http://www.adegreewithaguarantee.com) to consider other programs **AND** meet with either a general counselor or transfer counselor to see what program is best for the student.*
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  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

**12. Question: Can students who have fewer than 60 units still apply to a CSU, UC, or Private University?**

- **Answer:** *It depends on the university and their requirements. Universities may consider high school background, personal statements if submitted, and overall GPA for admission. If you have any questions regarding eligibility, we recommend scheduling an appointment with a Transfer Counselor. Be advised this option (lower division transfer) is extremely rare. Students should plan to have 60 or more units by the end of spring.*
  - “Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

### **13. Question: What if I will be discharged from the military by the time I begin attending the university I am transferring to?**

- **Answer:** *Select “Not a member of the military” since they **will not** be enlisted at the time of enrollment.*
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### **14. Question: What does “Military Dependent” mean?**

- **Answer:** *Students who are Military Dependent are people who receive benefits from either a spouse, parent/guardian, or other sponsor. Select “Military Dependent” under US Military Status if the student receives any of the aforementioned benefits.*
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  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

### **15. Question: How do I add another School and Program to apply to?**

- **Answer:** *Students will need to go to the “Add a Program” tab in the CalStateApply application. If you have submitted your application you should be able to go back in and send additional applications however you may be charged and must do so within the deadline.*

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**16. Question: Why does “This Program is Not Similar to your current ADT Program” mean?**

- **Answer:** *You will receive this message if you indicated that you are receiving an ADT that is not related to the program to apply for (i.e. Marketing vs. Culinary Arts).*
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**17. Question: I am a Business Marketing/Administration major and I don’t know which program to apply for.**

- **Answer:** *Students should consult with a counselor as this depends on which campus a student is applying to. There are a lot of specializations within Business Departments. Each school has their own business offerings. Work with a counselor to ensure you are choosing the appropriate degree program.*
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**18. Question: What is a Degree with a Guarantee?**

- **Answer:** *[A Degree with a Guarantee](#) is the same as an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) -- a two-year associate degree that is fully transferable to the CSU. There are two types of degrees: an Associate in Art for Transfer (AA-T) and the Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T). This program also ensure the student will complete their degree in 2 years at the CSU campus as long as they take 15 units per semester to finish in 2 years.*
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## **QD1: Personal Information**

### **19. Question: Why do I need to release my contact information to CalState Apply?**

- **Answer:** *Universities may send the student's application to other schools if they are a part of the Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG), AA-T/AS-T, or any other programs that guarantee a student enrollment to at least one CSU.*
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## **Biographic Information**

### **20. Question: What is SSID? / Do I need to find my SSID?**

- **Answer:** *If the student has access to a physical copy of their High School transcript, it can be found there; **HOWEVER**, this number is not necessary if the student cannot find it. **They may submit the application without it.***
  - “Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
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### **21. Question: What does “Gender-Conforming/Gender Non-Conforming” mean?**

- **Answer:** *Students whose expression of gender aligns with their self-reported gender would be examples of “Gender Conforming” (i.e. Cisgender Female Student who dresses like a “typical” female). Students whose expression of gender does not align with their self-reported gender would be examples of “Gender Non-Conforming”*
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  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

## **Contact Information**

### **22. Question: What does “Approximate Date through which current address is valid”**

- **Answer:** *If you are on a lease that will expire before you transfer, indicate what date your lease expires. The purpose of this question is for mailing purposes.*
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  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

**23. Question: What if I have a “Current Address” for legal/ mailing reasons, but I do not have a “Permanent Address”?**

- **Answer:** *For the purpose of the application, the student will select “Yes” for the “Is this your permanent address?” question.*
  - “Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

**Citizenship/Residency Information**

**24. Question: What if I do not have a country of citizenship?**

- **Answer:** *Students will still select “United States” as their country of citizenship and in the next question (Select the value that best describes your U.S. Citizenship) the student will select “None.”*
  - “Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

**Race & Ethnicity**

**25. Question: What if my racial makeup consists of multiple “sub-categories”?**

- **Answer:** *Unfortunately, students must select one sub-category that they identify with the most.*
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**Other Information**

**26. Question: What does “Native Language” mean?**



- **Answer:** *Students will select the language that they learned first (even if it isn't their primary language now).*
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## **Financial and Parental Information**

### **27. Question: Student's parents are divorced and one parent is a veteran, what would they put for the "Military Dependent" Question?**

- **Answer:** *If the student's veteran-parent claims the student on their taxes as a dependent, the student will select the "Yes" option that is the most applicable (i.e. Active Duty, National Guard, etc.)*
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### **28. Question: Student cannot answer "Yes" to any of the Independent/Dependent questions; however, they file taxes as an "Independent" and parents do not claim them on their taxes**

- **Answer:** *For the sake of the CalState Apply Application, the student will still classify themselves as **Dependent** due to CalState Apply's personalized definition of what is considered "independent/dependent"*
  - "Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
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## **QD2: Academic History**

### **High Schools Attended**

#### **29. Question: What if my High School does not appear on the list?**

- **Answer:** *After selecting your Country, City and State, scroll to the bottom of the list of the schools provided and select "Can't Find Your School." You will then be prompted to manually type your school's name.*

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### **30. Question: What if I did not graduate from High School?**

- **Answer:** List the first college you attended under “High School Name” and add the dates of the first semester you attended for “Dates Attended” (ex. If your first semester at Mesa College was Fall 2013, the dates you will select would be: August 2013 - December 2013)
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### **Colleges Attended**

#### **31. Question: I am taking classes at Mesa, City, and Miramar College.**

#### **Which college will I list as the college I will be obtaining my degree from?**

- **Answer:** Students will receive their degree from the primary school that they are registered under. Consider checking your MySDCCD account to see which college is your primary school who will be awarding your degree. You can find the information under the tab, “My Academics” > “Apply for Graduation.”
  - “Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
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### **College Coursework**

#### **32. Question: Do I need to upload my transcripts for this section?**

- **Answer:** Uploading official/unofficial transcripts is not necessary for this section; however, you will need ALL of your transcripts to reference yourself.
  - “Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
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#### **33. Question: Do I need to include failed classes to my academic history?**

- **Answer:** Yes, all classes must be added to the academic history including failed classes. Classes with a “W” (withdrawal) are not needed in the academic history. See the CSU Apply tutorial on the SD Mesa webpage.  
<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>
  - “Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
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#### **34. Question: What if I repeated a course?**

- **Answer:** If you have repeated a course within the same institution, you may use the code “RP” (Repeat) in the Letter Grade box for the first attempt and a letter grade for the other class. (if you repeated the course at City, Mesa and Miramar you can also use the RP as we are one district).
  - “Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

#### **35. Question: What is the difference between Summer 1 and Summer 2?**

- **Answer:** There is no difference for this part of the application. Students may pick summer 1.
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#### **36. Question: What if I used my AP test scores to satisfy a course requirement and how do I list that on my CSU application?**

- **Answer:** Students must enter all AP test scores in the first college semester they have completed. From there, the student will add their AP Test as a course. The abbreviated name of the AP Exam will go under “Course Code”, the full name of the AP Class will go under “Course Title”. The subject title will be listed as “Test Credit - No Subject”. Depending on the AP Score (3, 4, or 5) and the AP Exam

subject the student has taken, they will list the corresponding amount of credits under the “Credits” option. Finally, no matter what the Exam or Score is, student will put CR under the “Grade” tab (CR= Credit) and select “Transferable”

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### **37. Question: What if I don’t know my AP Test scores?**

- **Answer:** Reporting AP Test Scores is not required unless you are using them to satisfy a course requirement. Contact the Collegeboard to request your AP test results. This process may take some time, so we recommend you contact them immediately if you plan to use your AP test scores to satisfy a course requirement.
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## **QD3: Supporting Information**

### **ADT Information**

### **38. Question: What is my Campus Student ID Number? / Where can I find my Campus Student ID Number?**

- **Answer:** This is often referred to as your CSID or 10-digit student ID number. It can be found on your San Diego Community College District (SDCCD) Student ID Card. This is the same 10-digit number you use to log into your mySDCCD portal.
  - “Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
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### **Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)**

## **QD4: Program Materials**

### 39. Question: What does it mean if the application asks for an Alternate Program choice?

- **Answer:** *The student's first choice major/program may be impacted. This means that because of the high volume of applicants, the student may not be admitted under their primary choice and the university wants to offer the student to be admitted under a second choice major/program.*
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### 40. Question: In addition to the application, what other documents will I need to provide?

- **Answer:** *The campus to which you are applying will email and inform you of any checklists of "to-do" items. This may include submitting your official college transcripts to the university. Transcripts must be received electronically or in sealed envelopes directly from the colleges you have attended. See the [transfer student application checklist](#) for materials you should have on hand when you apply to the CSU.*
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  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

### 41. Question: How do I submit my transcripts to my universities? / How do I request transcripts to send to my universities? / How do I send my transcripts to my universities?

- **Answer:** *Unless a university specifically requires a copy of your Unofficial Transcript (most commonly: Cal State San Marcos and CSU Fullerton), you do not need to include a transcript.*
  - If your university **does** request a copy of your Unofficial Transcripts, you may download a PDF copy from your mySDCCD account and upload it to your Cal State Apply application under Program Materials.
  - "Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:  
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## From Cal State University - Transfer Student Admission FAQs page

### 42. Question: How can I determine if all my college coursework will transfer?

- **Answer.** All California Community Colleges have lists of courses that will transfer to the CSU. You may also consult your **college counselor or transfer center** to help determine which courses will be accepted for transfer credit by the CSU. The [ASSIST.org](https://www2.calstate.edu/apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf) site can provide information on comparable pre-major coursework and transfer courses available at California Community Colleges. If you are transferring from a 4-year college, a private college, or a college out-of-state, it is important that you consult with the campus to which you are planning to transfer to identify the specific courses necessary to meet the transfer requirements.
  - “Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

### 43. Question: What are the basic lower-division transfer admission requirements?

- **Answer.** Most CSU campuses are not admitting lower-division transfer students. If you are a lower-division student who wants to begin attending a CSU before you earn 60 transferable semester units, you must have a minimum grade point average of 2.00 (C) (2.40 for non-residents) or better in all transferable units attempted; meet the admission requirements for first-time freshmen; have completed, with a grade of C- or better, a course in GE Section A2 in written communication and a course in GE section B4 in mathematics or quantitative reasoning; and be in good standing at the last college or university attended. Contact the campus you wish to attend prior to applying.
  - “Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

#### 44. Question: What are the basic upper-division transfer admission requirements?

- **Answer.** *To transfer to the CSU, you must: have completed at least 60 transferable semester (90 quarter) units; have a grade point average of 2.00 © (2.40 for non-residents) or better in all transferable units attempted; are in good standing at the last college or university attended; and have completed at least 30 semester (45 quarter) units of college courses with a grade of C or better in courses in English, arts and humanities, social science, science, and mathematics at a level at least equivalent to courses that meet general education requirements.*
  - Students also need the “golden four” one communications course, English composition course, critical thinking and math. Please see the CSU GE or IGETC GE sheets.  
<http://www.sdmesa.edu/student-services/transfer-center/faculty-staff-resources.shtml>
  - “Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
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#### 45. Question: I'm having a technical issue applying to the CSU; where can I find help?

- **Answer.** *The [Cal State Apply Applicant Help Center](#) has answers to many common questions about starting, filling out, submitting, and monitoring your application to the CSU.*
  - “Please see CSU application guide for more information and support in completing your application:
  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

#### 46. Question: Which programs and campuses are impacted?

- **Answer.** *A campus's impact status can change from year to year. Updated information about impacted campuses and majors/programs can be seen using the [Impacted Majors and Campuses search](#).*
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**47. Question: Am I automatically eligible for housing once I'm admitted?**

- **Answer.** *No. The housing application is separate. Be sure to contact the campus housing office when you apply for admission to request housing information since housing at some campuses is limited.*
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**48. Question: When will the campus contact me after I've filed my application?**

- **Answer.** *How soon you will hear about your application varies from campus to campus. In all cases, within a few weeks of filing your application, the campus should notify you that your application has been received and is being processed. If the campus was unable to process your application, you will be notified as soon as possible. Check your email: You must check your email, and “junk/spam” email boxes for updates. Often students miss important admissions information because they do not check and/or respond to emails.*
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**49. Question: When will I know if I am admitted?**

- **Answer.** *Every campus has its own timeline for notifying students of admission. Some begin notifying applicants of an admission decision soon after the receipt of an application and all necessary documents. Other campuses notify all applicants on a set date. It's not uncommon for there to be a period of several months between submitting your application and receiving an admission decision. Some campuses such as CSU SM will send you an email with a “To Do” list which includes sending transcripts by a specific date. Admission will be rescinded if items on the “To Do” list are not completed on time.*
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#### 50. Question: What is an “impacted” program?

- **Answer.** *An impacted major or program is one where more applications are received from eligible applicants during the initial filing period than the campus can enroll. These high-demand majors or programs will have additional admission criteria above the minimum CSU admissions standards. A number of campuses across the CSU have impacted programs. If you’re interested in applying to one of these impacted programs, be sure to file an admission application during the initial filing period. Use the [Impacted Majors and Campuses search](#) to see if a major you’re considering is affected by impaction.*
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#### 51. Questions: How do I fill out the GE section on Academic History?

- **Answer.** *This area is identifying your “Golden Four” courses. This section should auto populate based on your transcript entry. If they do not appear here then you need to click on the box and select the Golden Four course in that section.*
  - DO NOT CLICK ON THE BOX “I am not adding any General Education”. This will stop your transfer application and you will not be admitted to a CSU.

General Education	
Subject	Selected Courses
<b>Area A - English Language Communication and Critical Thinking</b>	
* A1 - Oral Communication	COMST103 - Oral Communica... ▼
* A2 - Written Communication	ENGL101 - Critical Thinking a... ▼
* A3 - Critical Thinking	COMST160 - Argumentation (A) ▼
<b>Area B - Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning</b>	
* B4 - Math Concepts/Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 119 - MATH STATISTI... ▼

I am not adding any General Education courses.

## 52. Question: What if I cannot find the subject title Mesa uses for “Select Subject” on the CSU Application section of Transcript Entry?

- **Answer:** *It doesn't matter what you choose. Find the closest option in the drop down menu.*
  - If you took the class at a California Community College it should auto populate.
  - FYI: if it is not transferable it will not pop up. You will have to select a subject.
  - To ensure the class auto populates enter the course without spaces. Eg. **PERG120** vs. PERG 120

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Select Subject ▼	<input type="text"/>	00 ▼	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
e.g., BIO 101	e.g., Introduction to Biology		e.g., 3.00		e.g., 85 or B			

## 53. Question: Should I include non transferable courses in the Transcript Entry Section?

- **Answer:** *Yes all courses completed, in progress and planned at all schools must be entered in the Transcript Entry Section regardless of when, where they were taken.*
  - FYI: if it is not transferable it will not pop up in the “Select Subject”. You will have to choose the closest option for “Select Subject.”

- This most frequently occurs with Math, English, English as a Second Language (ELAC) and some other vocational classes.

**54. Question: What is my academic status in the “Transcript Entry Section” of CSU Apply?**

- *According to the CSU Transcript Entry Guide, applicants should click on “Freshman” for your first 30 units. After that selection “Sophomore” is best for transfer students.*

<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

**55. Question: Should I include all the schools I have attended?**

- **Answer:** YES! Applicants need to include all the schools they have enrolled in and/or registered for a course even if they got a W (Withdrawal) on the transcript. It is very important to go back and try to remember all the schools you attended and include them all.

- <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

**56. Question: Is there a video or some other resources that can help me fill out the application?**

- **Answer:** Yes there are resources on the SD Mesa Transfer Center Webpage.
  - <http://www.sdmesa.edu/student-services/transfer-center/index.shtml>
  - Yes please see the video from UCSB for the UC application. FYI you don't have to apply to UCSB to watch this video. [https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL-yx76EbPhMd8BkiLRvWI\\_xPUKOXbPFWM](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL-yx76EbPhMd8BkiLRvWI_xPUKOXbPFWM)
  - Yes there are resources for the CSU application on the SD Mesa Transfer Center Page <http://www.sdmesa.edu/student-services/transfer-center/faculty-staff-resources.shtml>
  - Additional CSU Resources “Applicant Help Center”
    - [https://help.liaisonedu.com/Cal\\_State\\_Apply\\_Applicant\\_Help\\_Center](https://help.liaisonedu.com/Cal_State_Apply_Applicant_Help_Center)
  - Additional CSU Resources “Filling out your Cal State Application”

- [https://help.liaisonedu.com/Cal\\_State\\_Apply\\_Applicant\\_Help\\_Center/Filling\\_Out\\_Your\\_Cal\\_State\\_Apply\\_Application](https://help.liaisonedu.com/Cal_State_Apply_Applicant_Help_Center/Filling_Out_Your_Cal_State_Apply_Application)

**57. Questions: What is the CAS number?**

- **Answer:** *Cal State Apply assigns each applicant an individualized CAS number. Applicants are advised to save this number. Especially in the event the student calls or emails the help center.*
  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>

**58. Question: I cannot find the Elementary Education Teacher Education Associate Degree for Transfer for Cal State San Marcos for Fall of 2021.**

- **Answer:** *CSU San Marcos (CSUSM) will no longer accept the Elementary Teacher Education Associate Degree for Transfer effective Fall 2021. Students who planned to apply admission to the program with the Teacher Education ADT should meet with a counselor.*
  - <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Documents/cal-state-apply-transfer-credit-entry-guide.pdf>