



Admissions and Recruitment

Fall 2020 Admission Guidance Due to COVID-19 - Updated 4/16/20

Fresno State is making the following adjustments to its admissions policy in alignment with the guideline released on March 31, 2020 for students who experienced disruption to their spring 2020 coursework due to COVID-19.

Community College Guidance – Incoming Transfers

1. The CSU campuses will accept "Credit" or "Pass" for transferable college courses completed in winter, spring or summer 2020 taken to satisfy:
 - a. The Golden Four (English language [A2], oral communication [A1], critical thinking [A3], and mathematics/quantitative reasoning [B4]);
 - b. All other General Education courses; and
 - c. Major prerequisite courses.

Fresno State's response:

Fresno State will continue to accept "Credit" or "Pass" for transferable college courses completed in winter, spring or summer 2020 taken to satisfy the requirements stated above for admission.

2. CSU campuses will clear admission for upper-division transfer applicants with 48 semester or 72 quarter transferable units who have completed English Language (A2) and mathematics/quantitative reasoning (B4) by the start of fall 2020 (including courses taken in summer 2020).
 - a. CSU campuses will work with students to enroll in the appropriate general education and major preparation courses to fulfill lower division requirements prior to enrolling in major coursework.
 - b. Students will still need to fulfill all major requirements to receive their degree.

Fresno State's response:

Fresno State will clear admission for upper-division transfer applicants with 48 semester or 72 quarter transferable units for students who have completed English Language (A2) and mathematics/quantitative reasoning (B4) by the start of fall 2020 (including courses taken in summer 2020) as stated above.

3. If a CSU campus conditionally admitted a student as a lower-division transfer, the student will need to meet eligibility and have completed English Language (A2) and mathematics/quantitative reasoning (B4) by the start of fall 2020 (including courses taken in summer 2020).

Fresno State's response:

Fresno State does not offer admission to lower division transfer students.

4. The CSU requests that community colleges that can provide transcripts by July 15, 2020, do so; however, CSU campuses will continue to accept transcripts through the fall 2020 term. CSU campuses will not rescind conditional offers of admission based on the non-receipt of transcripts. If a student is not able to provide an official transcript, due to extended school closure, CSU campuses may use unofficial or self-reported data for spring or summer grades and graduation status.

Fresno State's response:

Fresno State will extend its transcript deadline from June 30 to July 15. Fresno State will also not rescind conditional admission offers based on non-receipt of transcripts. If a student is not able to provide official final transcripts due to school closure, Fresno State will utilize unofficial transcripts received until an official one can be obtained no later than fall 2020. Fresno State will accept a PDF unofficial transcript. A screenshot or image will not be accepted.

5. New transfer students will remain in a conditionally admitted status until the CSU campus receives a final transcript document and review of the transcript for completion of admission requirements

Fresno State's response:

Fresno State will keep conditionally admitted students as such until a final transcript has been received and a review has been performed to assure that the transfer requirements were met.

6. If a student has not completed at least 48 transferable units and fulfilled A2 and B4 requirements after review of their final transcript document, at that time, campuses may use admission exceptions on a case-by-case basis if students do not meet the criteria in item number 2 above. Students should in no way assume that enrollment in Fall 2020 CSU courses means that an exception will be automatically granted.

Fresno State's response:

On a case-by-case basis, Fresno State will make exceptions if students are no longer CSU-eligible due to their inability to complete requirements to meet the criteria in item number 2 above. Such cases will be reviewed by the Admissions Office.

7. If a student that was conditionally accepted for fall 2020 chooses to remain at their community college to finish their transfer requirements or ADT degree, the CSU campus may defer their admission to winter/spring 2021 terms. This action will be at the discretion of the individual CSU campus.

Fresno State's response:

Fresno State is unable to make this determination at this time pending a decision to whether or not be open for spring 2021.

8. A transfer student who anticipated completing an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) that enrolls for fall 2020 without completing the ADT and has matriculated with less than 60 units completed would need to obtain a special advising agreement at the CSU campus of enrollment.

Fresno State's response:

Please check back shortly for more information.

9. The College Board recently announced changes to the AP exam content and format for spring 2020. [The CSU will honor all existing transferable credit articulation for spring 2020 AP exams on which scores of 3, 4, 5 are earned.](#)

Fresno State's response:

Fresno State will honor all existing transferable credit articulation for spring 2020 AP exams on which students scored 3 or above as stated above.

10. CSU campuses are individually considering their extension of intent to enroll and/or housing deposit deadlines. Intent to enroll deadlines will consider the campus' capacity to provide timely information regarding financial aid awards to students and families. More information will be forthcoming.

Fresno State's response:

Students are required to accept or decline their admission for fall 2020 by June 1, 2020. Students are also required to register for Dog Days (new student orientation) by June 1, 2020. In the instance Fresno State decided to extend this deadline, students will be notified prior to the June 1 deadline by email.