

Guidelines for Readmission – Returning CSUF Students that Stopped Attending Fall 2023 or Earlier

It has been Cal State Fullerton's practice to readmit previously admitted students with a history of enrollment that are returning to complete their bachelor's degree program, on the basis that admission eligibility requirements are met. Effective spring 2024 admission, returning CSUF students may apply as either lower or upper division transfer, depending on the number of combined transferable semester units earned or projected by the readmission term. Combined transferable units consist of units earned at CSUF while in admitted status, units earned via CSUF Open University, transferable units earned at accredited colleges/universities and AP credits. **Returning CSUF students who are seeking readmission must meet the GPA standards in place for their major at the time of reapplication.** (Per the University Catalog, <https://catalog.fullerton.edu/content.php?catoid=80&navoid=11010>.)

Transfer Criteria set forth by CSUF Admissions:

- **Lower Division Transfer:** Students with a total of 59 or less semester units, and cumulative (total) GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- **Upper Division Transfer:** Students with a total of 60 or more semester units including golden four General Education categories with a C-, or higher (A.1 oral communication, A.2 written communication, A.3 critical thinking and B.4 mathematics). The cumulative (total) GPA needs to be 2.0 or higher, as well.

Returning students may have stopped attending CSUF with variable academic status: good standing, academic notice (formerly probation), or academic disqualification.

- Good Standing:** Eligible for readmission as either lower division or upper division transfer, and cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- Academic Notice (formerly probation):** Eligible for readmission as either lower or upper division transfer, **and** cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher. If additional transfer units are earned after stopping out, transfer GPA must be 2.0, or higher also. Upon readmission you will have your readmit term, plus the subsequent semester to improve the CSUF GPA to 2.0 or higher, and avoid academic disqualification. You may consider optional enrollment via CSUF's [Open University](#) program to boost CSUF GPA prior to readmission.
- Academic Disqualification:** Readmission of a returning student whom previously experienced academic disqualification is by special action only. Eligible for readmission as either lower or upper division transfer, **and** both CSUF as well as cumulative (total) GPA of 2.0 or higher. Enrollment via CSUF [Open University](#) is a necessary step to improve the CSUF GPA to 2.0 or higher. Coursework/grades earned from other accredited institutions affects the cumulative GPA, but not the CSUF GPA.

Monitor the status of your application in your Student Homepage and CSUF email communications received from the campus.

You may apply for CSUF readmission while you have courses in progress, however, an admission decision will not be made until your final grades are recorded on your transcript and until CSUF Admissions receives any other pending documents. CSUF Admission offers are conditional, based on meeting eligibility requirements.

Procedures to Apply at [Cal State Apply](#)

Application deadlines may close at any time so be sure to apply early and within the priority application filing period.

Application Period	Semester
October 1-November 30	For future Fall
August 1-August 31	For future Spring

To be considered for readmission for a future fall semester, all readmission requirements must be completed by the preceding spring term. Some summer coursework may be considered for Fall admission decisions, but only from Session A. Session A is the only summer session in which grades are recorded in-time for a fall admission decision. To be considered for readmission for a spring semester, all readmission requirements must be completed by the end of the preceding summer or fall term. Winter coursework will NOT be included for a spring admission decision. *Golden Four (A.1, A.2, A.3 and B.4) must be completed with a semester in between admission.*

Apply at [Cal State Apply](https://www.calstate.edu/apply) as a **Transfer Student** whether you meet lower or upper division transfer criteria; <https://www.calstate.edu/apply/transfer>. When filling out your application, be sure to answer the questions in the Extended Profile correctly. There are sample screen views on the pages following. Answering these questions in this way will alert CSUF Admissions that you are a **returning** CSUF student. For returning students still working to meet readmission criteria based on their previous academic status, identifying that you are a returning student will prompt them to calculate and consider pending repeat grade forgiveness units and grades in progress, if applicable. Once your application is received by CSUF Admissions, you will receive an email indicating the additional documents needed to complete your application file which will include ordering official transcripts from all other institutions (colleges, universities) attended.

- Students that have previously started or completed an application at Cal State Apply will be asked if they would like to carry over previous application information. Decide whether you would like to Start A Fresh Application **OR** Copy Application Data.

Extended Profile

Select that you are applying for your First Bachelor's degree.

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Extended Profile

Please provide some additional information in order to set up your application.

The information below is provided to your program's admissions offices. Provide complete and accurate information here. For more information, visit the [Applicant Help Center](#).

Once you submit your application, you cannot edit this section.

* Indicates required field

1. Degree Goal

* What degree, credential or certificate are you applying for?

First Bachelor's Degree (Seeking your first bachelor's degree and have not earned a prior bachelor's degree)

Second Bachelor's Degree and Beyond (e.g. Master's, Teaching Credential, Certificate, Doctoral)

CSU Summer Arts

Then select the appropriate option that describes if you have either

- An Associate's Degree for Transfer (**AA-T/AS-T**), **OR**
- Transferring **without** an Associate's Degree, or with an Associate's Degree (**AA/AS**).

Note: An Associate's Degree for Transfer and an Associate's Degree are different.



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* Which of the following best describes your current educational status?

- Graduating High School Senior or equivalent (with or without college coursework prior to High School graduation)
- Transferring from a California Community College and earned or planning to earn an Associate Degree for Transfer (AA-T/ AS-T)
- Transferring from a community college or four-year institution (Includes those transferring from a California Community College with or without an associate degree (AA/AS), not part of the Associate Degree for Transfer program AA-T/AS-T)

Select the appropriate Transfer option that lines up with your circumstance

Transferring with an Associate's Degree for Transfer: Select the community college attended and answer the question.

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Not sure your associate degree is part of the Associate Degree for Transfer program? Contact your California Community College or visit the [ADT page](#) for more information.

Enter up to two ADT colleges and programs. If you don't see your program listed, confirm with your California Community College the type of associate degree you earned/are earning.

* California Community College



* Do you have or will you receive a second ADT from your community college?

- Yes
- No



Transferring with or without an Associate's Degree:

Select your total units earned.

- Students **with** an Associate's Degree would have 60+ units.
- Students **without** an Associate's Degree, may have *either* 60+ or 59 units or less.


Lower Division Transfer = 59 units or less

Upper Division Transfer = 60+ units, including golden four.

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☆ By the time you enroll at the CSU campus you are applying to, how many college credits will you have earned?

Note that if your courses are based on quarter credits, click [here](#) to convert your total credit hours to semester hours.

0 - 59 semester credits

60+ semester credits

Select the appropriate option that lines up with you.

Lower Division Transfer = 0-59 units

Upper Division Transfer = 60+ units with Golden Four.

Returning Question:


Answer YES, even if you plan to change your major.

It is okay to change majors – apply to the program you intend to pursue. However, answer the Returning Question, YES.

- Select CSU Fullerton from the drop down menu and enter your CWID.
- Select the scenario that best describes your circumstance.

1a. Returning

* Are you applying to return to the CSU campus which you previously attended, and intend to complete the same major?

 Yes No

If you have graduated or are graduating with your undergraduate degree and are applying to the same CSU campus for a new program of study, select "No." You are not classified as a returning student.

* Which CSU Campus did you previously attend? 

What was your Student ID? 

* Select the scenario that applies to you:

- I previously attended a CSU campus and am now applying to an additional campus.
- I attended other colleges or universities since leaving CSU.
- I previously attended a CSU campus and am now applying to an additional campus AND I attended other colleges or universities since attending CSU.
- I have not attended other colleges or universities since leaving CSU and am only applying to my original campus.

Personal Information Quadrant: Other Information, Academic Infraction

Q: Are you in good standing with your last school attended?


If CSUF is the last school attended, answer according to your previous academic status run:

- Good standing = "Yes"
- If you experienced Academic Notice (formerly probation) or Disqualification, then "No".

OR, If your *last* school attended is a different college and you are in good academic standing (2.0 or higher) answer "Yes".

Academic Standing


* Are you in good standing with your last school attended?

Yes
 No
 

Good Academic Standing


Academic Standing

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Yes
 No
 

Academic Infractions and Conduct


* Have you ever been disciplined for academic performance (e.g. academic probation, disqualification, etc.) by any college or university?

Yes
 No
 

* Have you been academically disqualified at any college or university?

Yes
 No
 

* Have you ever been disciplined for student conduct violations (e.g. suspension, expulsion, etc.) by any college or university?

Yes
 No
 

Experience with Academic Notice or Disqualification


Academic Standing

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Yes No 

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Yes No 

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Yes No 

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Yes No 

* If yes, please explain and disclose institution for each violation. 

If you have experienced academic notice (formerly academic probation) and/or academic disqualification, please indicate your progress towards improving your GPA, and any reminders to consider pending repeat grade forgiveness and/or in-progress grades, if applicable.

Q: Have you ever been disciplined for academic performance (e.g. academic probation [academic notice], disqualification, etc.) by any college or university?

For students that have experienced academic notice or academic disqualification: Answer "Yes".

Q: Have you been academically disqualified at any college or university?

Only Answer "Yes" if you experience academic disqualification.

Q: If yes, please explain and disclose institution for each violation.

Explain any questions answered "Yes" (e.g. *I am a former/returning CSUF student and experienced academic disqualification. I have repaired (OR am working to repair) my CSUF GPA. Please hold the admission decision until my pending grades record, and remember to calculate repeat grade forgiveness, if applicable.*

Supporting Information Quadrant: Returning Student

If you answered Yes, to the question regarding "...returning to the same CSU campus...", and included CSUF and your CWID in the Extended Profile, then some info will auto populate in the Returning Student section of the Supporting Information Quadrant.

Answer the additional questions, and select the reason that best describes why you stopped attending. If the last term you attended CSUF was via Open University, include that as the last term and year attended.

Returning Student

Enter information about your previous attendance at a CSU campus. Visit the [Applicant Help Center](#) for more information. Once you submit your application, you cannot edit this section.

* Indicates required field

Previously Attended Campus

Which CSU Campus did you previously attend?

To make changes to this question go to [Extended Profile](#)

What was your Student ID?

To make changes to this question go to [Extended Profile](#)

Enter the last term attended

Enter the last year attended

* Which of the following describes the reason why you stopped attending CSU?

Why do you want to return to CSU?

- Leave of Absence
- University Withdrawal
- Disciplinary Dismissal (suspension)
- Academic Disqualification
- Financial Reasons
- Academic Hardship
- Personal Reasons (Health, Family Situation, etc.)
- Transferred to Another Institution
- Other

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If you selected that you are a Returning Student in the Extended Profile, and entered CSU Fullerton as the previous college attended, including your CWID, then the first two questions should auto populate.

Academic History Quadrant: Colleges Attended

Enter all colleges attended, including CSUF. If you have taken, or are planning to take courses via [Open University](#) at CSUF, then include the courses with your CSU, Fullerton record.

Answer "NO" to the question; "Did you obtain or are planning to obtain a degree from this college or university?" **No, not yet.** If you answer otherwise, you will receive an error when trying to submit your application. This is because you are applying for a First Bachelor's Degree and answering yes indicates you have one already. Remember to answer, **No** (as in not yet.)

Colleges Attended

Add Your Colleges or Universities

Please add all undergraduate, graduate or professional institutions you attended or are currently attending.

You may update the information in this section at any time prior to submission.

* What college or university did you attend?

* Did you obtain or are you planning to obtain a degree from this college or university?
 Yes No

Students **applying to a first time bachelor's** degree:
 Please answer the first part of the question;
 Did you obtain? **No, not yet.**

If you have work in progress, you can select the "still attending" box which will allow you to include courses you are actively enrolled. Remember that courses taken through Open University at CSUF, are Cal State Fullerton courses and should be included with CSUF Info.

* What type of term system does this college or university use?
 Quarter Semester Trimester

* What was your tuition status (resident or non-resident) at this college or university during the last term you attended?
 In-State Tuition Out-of-State Tuition Not applicable

When did you attend this college or university?

Select the first and last semesters that your transcript covers, even if there were breaks between semesters.

* **First Semester** * **Last Semester**

Last Semester: Check the **still attending** box **if** you have courses in-progress. This will allow you to enter what you are currently working on.

Check if you are **still attending** this college or university

After Submitting your Application

1. Monitor the application status as well as items in the To Do and Hold lists in your Student Homepage found in the Admission and Tasks tiles. You will be prompted for [official transcripts](#) if you attended a college or university other than CSUF. If your To Do list says transcripts are required and you do not know which ones they need—click the “more” or “detail” link to confirm. Inquiries regarding financial aid should be directed to [Financial Aid](#) located in Gordon Hall (GH), room 146, tele 657-278-3125; you want to make sure that your financial aid starts again for the semester you are reentering. Graduation To Do items, such as applying for graduation will be addressed upon readmission.
2. When you select the *Application Status* tab in the Admission tile, you will see your application posted in a box. Select the *View Detailed Information for this Application* link to view status. It should indicate your application was received. At some point it may also state that your file has been sent for further review, which is standard, and means your application is moving through the process. **If you ever see that your application has been denied or withdrawn, please let an Open University Advisor know immediately.** This is also the screen that will reflect if you have been admitted. Please also monitor your CSUF email account for correspondence from CSUF Admissions office.
3. Once you are readmitted, [ACCEPT your admission offer](#) in the Admission tile using the *Accept/Decline Admission Offer* tab, process the enrollment administrative charge (if applicable), then complete orientation and advising if prompted. Remember to enroll for courses per the enrollment appointment (registration date) in the Manage Classes tile within your Student Homepage. You will need to enroll in classes in the term you readmit to maintain matriculation (admitted status) with the Cal State Fullerton.

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