

Transferring to SJSU Under Conditions of Impaction

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Access

- CSU cut \$585 million this year
- Turn away 40,000 eligible students
- Spaces available depend upon timely completion of students already here

SJSU Impaction

- Culture of FTES Growth
- SJSU highest above target in CSU in 2008-09
- Shed 3000 students this year to get to funded target
- Will shed 2500 more for next year to get to reduced target
- Penalty for going over target

Coping Strategies

- Rationing
- Streamlining
- Tightening

Rationing

- Not time, but units: FTES
- Requirements for Degree
 - Mostly 120 units
 - Some technical degrees up to 135
- Students transfer up to 70 maximum
- At SJSU: typically between 50 and 75
- (4 to 5 semesters at 15 units)

Streamlining

- Review of our own policies and procedures that impede completion
- Waive some pre-requisites (ENGL 1B)
- Change grading basis of some classes from ABC/NC
- Waive some GE sequencing or distribution requirements
- Limit course repeats

Rationing Unit Loads

- Used to be 18 units without permission
- Now restricting to 14 units for until everyone has a chance to register
 - Protect Financial Aid students (12 units)
 - Protect visa students (12 units)
- Graduating Seniors priority up to 18

Tightening

- Tough love
- Strict observance of probation and DQ
- More difficult to return from DQ
 - No program of study option
 - Must return to 2.0 GPA
 - Must apply for readmission in normal cycle
- Zero tolerance on requirements
 - Fee deadlines
 - Orientation attendance
 - Transcript verifications

Tightening Remediation

- Students who fail required remedial course in first or second semester cannot repeat the course here on state support
- Will be looking for your courses to clear remediation
 - Waive local placement tests
- (Not transfer students)

Writing Skills Test (WST)

- State Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR)
- After 60 units
- Gateway to required writing course (100W) taught in majors
- Gateway to SJSU Studies (9 units advanced GE)
- Significant (repeat) failure rates
- Put off until end and stall

Tightening Options

- Must declare major by 60 units
- Limits on changing or adding major after 90 units
- Limits on changing or adding minor after 90 units
- Must file for graduation at 90 units
- Limits on course options at 120 units: only allowed to take what's on approved program

Implications of Tightening

- If student doesn't make timely progress to graduation
 - Loss of course selection and unit load options
 - May lead to loss or curtailment of Financial Aid
 - May jeopardize visa status (fewer than 12 units)
 - May be required to take one year (max) leave of absence to clear WST requirement

Advising: The Magic Bullet

- Advise students not to get into these dilemmas
- Advise students to take institutional requirements seriously and literally
- Advise students to establish a relationship with an advisor and check in early and often
- Advise students to address writing issues early to avoid later problems

THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO

- If helpful, we're happy to put a small team together to visit an appropriate meeting on your campus.
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