Steps to Admission

FALL 2016 | NON-RESIDENTS OF CALIFORNIA
As the founding campus of the California State University (CSU) system, San José State has grown since its 1857 inception into a major metropolitan university offering 134 academic disciplines, from the classics to emerging fields. But SJSU offers students more than a degree, and our award-winning faculty members educate far beyond the classroom.

Constructed in 1910, Tower Hall serves as the symbol of SJSU. The historical landmark is the oldest building on campus and home to the Office of the University President.

The newly built Student Wellness Center offers a variety of services, including medical care, counseling, sports medicine and physical therapy.

SJSU provides University Housing that promotes academic success and individual development.
ASSOCIATED STUDENTS HOUSE
SJSU offers plenty of opportunities for students to become more engaged in our diverse campus community. More than 450 student organizations exist, including the Associated Students, which serves as the voice of the student body in regards to fees, academics, non-academic services, recreation and government.

CÉSAR E. CHÁVEZ MONUMENT: THE ARCH OF DIGNITY, EQUALITY AND JUSTICE
Civil rights activist and labor leader César Chávez devoted his life to improving the treatment and conditions of farm workers.

TOMMIE SMITH AND JOHN CARLOS STATUES
The statues reflect a silent protest for human rights by Tommie Smith and John Carlos on the victory podium during the 1968 Olympic Games.

SOUTH CAMPUS
SJSU is home to 19 Division I men’s and women’s sports teams, including football, gymnastics, men’s and women’s basketball, soccer and cross country.

DOWNTOWN SAN JOSÉ
The campus is located in downtown San José, the 10th largest city in the U.S. and the heart of Silicon Valley.
SJSU Points of Pride

- As a Spartan, you get the best Silicon Valley has to offer, while having fun nearby in the Pacific Ocean, Yosemite National Park and San Francisco.

- Silicon Valley companies hire more San José State students and alumni than any other college or university in the country.

- SJSU was ranked eighth overall among the West’s top public universities offering bachelor’s and master’s degrees.

- San José State’s student body reflects the diversity of the Bay Area, one of the most diverse regions in the world.

- Distinguished SJSU alumni include actors Coby Bell and Omar Benson Miller, author Amy Tan, Oracle co-founder Ed Oates, NFL player James Jones and former NFL coach Bill Walsh.

- SJSU received more than 56,000 applications from prospective students for Fall 2015, setting a new SJSU record.

- San José State’s Division I Athletics department earned an all-time high Academic Progress Rate (APR) from the NCAA.

- While you study here, you can take online courses from other California State University campuses.

- You’ll enjoy a newly expanded Student Union and a new Student Wellness Center.

- Spartans are leaders in sustainability with our comprehensive recycling program, bike and car share programs, and new buildings in progress designed to meet LEED standards.

- SJSU was selected as a regional winner of the 2015 W.K. Kellogg Foundation Community Engagement Scholarship Award for the university’s community outreach initiatives.
**Did You Know...**

As of Fall 2014:

**STUDENT BODY**

32,713

**STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO**

- Lower Division: 31:1
- Upper Division: 26:1
- Graduate Courses: 21:1

**AVERAGE CLASS SIZE**

- Lower Division: 36 students
- Upper Division: 28 students
- Graduate Courses: 16 students

**RACE/ETHNICITY**

- Asian 32%
- Hispanic 23%
- White 22%
- African American 9%
- American Indian <1%
- Foreign National 11%
- Other 9%

**Non-Discrimination Policy**

San José State University does not discriminate on the basis of accent, age, ancestry, citizenship status, color, creed, disability, ethnicity, gender, marital status, medical condition, national origin, race, religion or lack thereof, sex, sexual orientation, transgender, genetics or veteran's status. This policy applies to all SJSU students, faculty and staff programs and activities. Questions regarding this policy should be directed to the director of the Office for Equal Opportunity, 408-924-2250.

Learn more at sjhsu.edu/hr/about_us/hr_directory/eo_unit/title_ix/

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Degrees

DEGREES AWARDED 2013/2014
5,431 BACHELOR’S
2,264 MASTER’S

For a complete list of degrees, including graduate degrees and credentials, see http://info.sjsu.edu/home/catalog.html
Geography
BA, Geography

Geology
BS, Geology ●
BA, Earth Science ●

Global Studies
BA, Global Studies

Health Science and Recreation
BS, Health Science
BS, Health Science, Concentration in
- Health Services Administration
BS, Recreation
BS, Recreation, Concentrations in
- Recreation Management
- Therapeutic Recreation

History
BA, History

Hospitality Management
BS, Hospitality, Tourism and Event Management

Humanities
BA, Humanities, Concentrations in
- American Studies
- Asian Studies
- European Studies
- Liberal Arts
- Middle East Studies
- Religious Studies ▲
- Creative Arts (Interdepartmental)
- Creative Arts, Preparation for Teaching
- Cross-Cultural Studies in Mexican and American Education
BA, Liberal Studies, Preparation for Teaching

Journalism and Mass Communications
BS, Advertising
BS, Journalism
BS, Public Relations

Justice Studies
BS, Justice Studies
BS, Forensic Science, Concentrations in
- Biology
- Chemistry

Kinesiology
BS, Kinesiology ●
BS, Kinesiology, Preparation for Teaching
BS, Athletic Training

Linguistics and Language Development
BA, Linguistics

Mathematics
BA, Mathematics ●
BA, Mathematics, Preparation for Teaching ●
BS, Applied Mathematics,
Concentrations in
- Applied and Computational Mathematics ●
- Economics and Actuarial Science ●
- Statistics ●

Meteorology and Climate Science
BS, Meteorology ●
BS, Meteorology, Concentration in
Climate Science ●

Music and Dance
BA, Music ▲
BM, Music,
Concentrations in
- Composition
- Jazz Studies
- Music Education
- Performance
BA, Creative Arts (Interdepartmental)
BA, Dance
BFA, Dance

Nursing
BS, Nursing ●

Nutrition, Food Science and Packaging
BS, Nutritional Science
BS, Nutritional Science, Concentrations in
- Dietetics
- Packaging

Philosophy
BA, Philosophy ▲

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

Political Science
BA, Political Science

Psychology
BA, Psychology
BS, Psychology

Social Sciences – Interdisciplinary
BA, Social Science,
Preparation for Teaching
(Single Subject)
BA, Social Science,
Preparation for Teaching
(Multiple Subject)

Social Work
BA, Social Work

Sociology
BA, Sociology
BA, Sociology, Concentrations in
- Community Change
- Race and Ethnic Studies
- Social Interaction
- Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies

Technology
BS, Industrial Technology, Concentrations in
- Computer Electronics and Network Technology ●
- Manufacturing Systems ●

Television, Radio, Film and Theatre
BA, Theatre Arts ▲
BA, Theatre Arts, Preparation for Teaching
BA, Radio-Television-Film ▲

Undeclared
Freshmen only

World Languages and Literatures
BA, Chinese
BA, French
BA, French, Preparation for Teaching
BA, Japanese
BA, Spanish ▲
BA, Spanish, Preparation for Teaching ▲

IMPACTION CRITERIA FOR TRANSFERS
Beginning Fall 2016, 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.

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

Cynthia Siqueiros
MA Education ’14 with her daughter
Alina Fasteen
Business Administration
How to Apply

Use your full, legal name consistently on every application and every document you submit. This includes financial aid forms, transcripts and test scores. Avoid using nicknames as this will lead to delays in application processing and admission notification.

Messages posted to your MySJSU student account are the main method of communication used by SJSU throughout the application process.

1. **Apply to SJSU at csumentor.edu by Monday, November 30, 2015**
   
   **Application Period: Thursday, October 1–Monday, November 30, 2015 (11:59 pm)**
   
   There are no exceptions to the application deadline.
   
   You will receive an application confirmation number: this is your receipt. Keep this number in a safe place; it is your proof that you submitted the application by the deadline.

2. **Look for an email with your SJSU ID**
   
   About a week after applying at CSU Mentor, you will receive an email with your nine-digit SJSU ID included. This nine-digit number will be your primary university identification throughout your career at SJSU. Make sure the spam filters on your email account are set to accept email from @sjsu.edu.

3. **Set the password to access your MySJSU account (and your SJSUOne wireless account on campus)**
   
   https://sjsuone.sjsu.edu/SJSUOne/ResetPassword

4. **Sign in to your MySJSU student account at http://my.sjsu.edu**
   
   Click on the blue “MySJSU Sign In” button and enter your nine-digit SJSU ID and the password you created in Step 3. Make sure your personal information is current—you’re address is critical!

5. **Check your MySJSU account frequently**
   
   Check your MySJSU account at least once a week for important and timely notices, such as admission, fees, financial aid, enrollment appointment, test, and transcript information and deadlines.

   **Meet all Deadlines**
   
   If you miss an SJSU deadline, we will withdraw your application for admission, and you will not be able to attend SJSU in Fall 2016. If you have an extreme hardship or unusual circumstance that may cause you to miss one of our deadlines, contact admissions@sjsu.edu immediately!

**Competitive Admission Process (Impaction)**

Admission to San José State is competitive in all majors. SJSU continues to have more qualified applicants than available new student spaces. Due to this shortfall (impaction), meeting the minimum California State University requirements does not guarantee admission to SJSU. Learn more sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction

**Choose Your Major Carefully**

**You cannot change your major during the admission process.** Once you are admitted, your mandatory orientation, advising, and registration will all be based on your choice of major or assigned undeclared. After you are admitted, change of major is never guaranteed—you must submit a petition and could be required to meet additional criteria before it is approved. You must also enter an alternative major on your application to SJSU. We will use this information for advising purposes only, and will not consider your alternative major in the admission process. Transfer students may not apply as undeclared.
Costs

Estimated Cost of Attendance for Non-Residents of California for the 2015-16 Academic Year:

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<th>UC (Average)</th>
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<td>Tuition &amp; Fees*</td>
<td>$16,306</td>
<td>$38,024</td>
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<td>Off Campus Housing</td>
<td>$13,434</td>
<td>$9,400</td>
<td>$13,242</td>
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<td>Personal/Transportation</td>
<td>$2,839</td>
<td>$3,100</td>
<td>$4,012</td>
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<td>Books and Supplies</td>
<td>$1,860</td>
<td>$1,500</td>
<td>$1,596</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>$34,439</td>
<td>$52,024</td>
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* Amounts are based on full-time attendance (12 units per semester at SJSU) for a 9-month academic year.

More detailed information about tuition and fees can be found at sjsu.edu/bursar

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.

Financial Aid

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is used to apply for financial aid to help cover the cost of attending SJSU. The application period begins Friday, January 1, 2016. Apply by the Wednesday, March 2, 2016 priority filing deadline for Fall 2016. Applications are still accepted after March 2; however, funding for many programs is limited so you are encouraged to apply as early as possible. The FAFSA form asks for SJSU’s six-digit code, which is 001155. To learn more, visit sjsu.edu/faso

Housing

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<td>Campus Village Apartments</td>
<td>High Rise: studios, three, four and five-bedroom units typically for transfers</td>
<td>$15,279</td>
<td>5-day included in rent 7-day meal plan available</td>
<td>Internet, Basic Utilities &amp; Cable</td>
<td>sjus.edu/housing <a href="mailto:UHS-frontdesk@sjsu.edu">UHS-frontdesk@sjsu.edu</a> 408-795-5600</td>
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<td>Building B “CVB”</td>
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<td>Campus Village Suites</td>
<td>High Rise: four-bedroom units typically for freshmen</td>
<td>$15,529</td>
<td>5-day included in rent 7-day meal plan available</td>
<td>Internet, Basic Utilities &amp; Cable</td>
<td>sjus.edu/housing <a href="mailto:UHS-frontdesk@sjsu.edu">UHS-frontdesk@sjsu.edu</a> 408-795-5600</td>
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<td>Washburn, Hoover &amp; Royce Halls</td>
<td>Three-Story Building: traditional dorm typically for freshmen</td>
<td>$13,213</td>
<td>5-day included in rent 7-day meal plan available</td>
<td>Internet, Basic Utilities &amp; Cable</td>
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<td>Joe West Hall &quot;The Classics&quot;</td>
<td>High Rise: traditional dorm typically for freshmen</td>
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<td>International House &quot;I-House&quot;</td>
<td>Large residence near campus. Home to 70 U.S. and International students</td>
<td>$14,628</td>
<td>5-day included in rent 7-day meal plan available</td>
<td>Internet, Basic Utilities &amp; Cable</td>
<td>sjus.edu/housing <a href="mailto:ihouse@sjsu.edu">ihouse@sjsu.edu</a> 408-926-6570</td>
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Rent amounts are subject to change and are based on double occupancy, furnished units with a 10-month contract.

**Meal plans are required for all freshmen living in University Housing or the International House (I-House).**
Freshman Admission Requirements

1 Earn a high school diploma, or equivalent
   Complete the required high school courses with grades of "C-" or better (prior to high school graduation date)

2 All required high school courses must be completed by the end of the spring semester prior to fall admission.

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<td>a. History/Social Science</td>
<td>2 years required</td>
<td>One year of U.S. history or U.S. history and government</td>
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<td>b. English</td>
<td>4 years required</td>
<td>Composition and literature</td>
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<td>c. Mathematics</td>
<td>3 years required</td>
<td>Algebra, geometry, intermediate algebra; or integrated mathematics</td>
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<td>d. Laboratory Science</td>
<td>2 years required</td>
<td>One year of biological science and one year of physical science; both with lab</td>
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<td>e. Language other than English</td>
<td>2 years required</td>
<td>Study in the same language</td>
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<td>f. Visual and Performing Arts</td>
<td>1 year required</td>
<td>Select a year-long course from art, theatre/drama, music or dance.</td>
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<td>g. Elective</td>
<td>1 year required</td>
<td>Select from areas a–f (above) or from other approved college prep “A–G” courses.</td>
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3 Submit Application Fee Payment and SAT or ACT test scores by Wednesday, December 23, 2015
   Request to have your official scores sent from the testing agency. Listing your scores on your application will not satisfy this deadline. (The SAT institution code for CSU Mentor is 3594.) Please note: The SAT/ACT writing portion is not used for admission or placement purposes at SJSU.

4 Meet or exceed the Minimum Eligibility Index (combination of Grade Point Average and SAT/ACT scores)
   Your admission to SJSU is based on a combination of your GPA and your official SAT/ACT scores. This combined score is your eligibility index. Non-residents who graduate from a high school outside of California must have a minimum eligibility index of 3502 using the SAT or 842 using the ACT.

Grade Point Average
   Your official GPA for admission to SJSU may be different than 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. You can estimate your GPA (including honors, IB and AP courses) using the CSU Grade Point Average Calculator at https://secure.csumentor.edu/planning/high_school/gpa_calculator.asp

Calculating Your Eligibility Index

**IF YOU TOOK THE SAT...**

\[ \text{GPA} \times 800 \]
\[ + \text{your highest SAT math score} \]
\[ + \text{your highest SAT critical reading score} \]
\[ = \text{total} \]

**IF YOU TOOK THE ACT...**

\[ \text{GPA} \times 200 \]
\[ + \text{your highest composite score x 10 (without the writing score)} \]
\[ = \text{total} \]

AVERAGE SCORES

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*Please note that meeting the Minimum Eligibility Index and/or the average scores does not guarantee admission to SJSU.
Transfer Admission Requirements

1. Earn enough units to reach junior status (upper division transfer)
   Complete 60 or more transferable semester units or 90 or more quarter units by the end of the Spring 2016 term.

2. Earn a college grade point average of 2.00 or better in all transferable courses and be in good standing at the last college or university attended.

3. Complete 30 semester units (45 quarter units) of general education, including four basic skills courses
   The four basic skills courses and 60 transferable semester units (or 90 quarter units) must be completed by the end of the spring term to be eligible for admission to the fall term.
   You must earn a “C” or higher grade in each basic skills course.
   - 1. One course in oral communication
   - 2. One course in written composition
   - 3. One course in critical thinking
   - 4. One course in college-level mathematics or quantitative reasoning, with intermediate algebra as a prerequisite

Supplemental Criteria – Transfer Applicants
Select programs will give preference to applicants based on a combination of their self-reported GPA and the completion of program-specific, lower division coursework. Learn more at sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction/program-specific-coursework/index.html

Transfer Planning
Learn more about transfer planning, including courses that are accepted at SJSU, at http://transfer.sjsu.edu

*Please note that meeting the average scores does not guarantee admission.

AVERAGE SCORE

3.1

Kassandra Salinas
Behavioral Science

Khalil Estell
Computer Engineering

Bosy Rodriguez
Kinesiology

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=v
San José
- The Tech Museum of Innovation
- Santana Row
- Center for the Performing Arts
- San Pedro Square Market

San Francisco
48 miles north
- Fisherman’s Wharf
- Pier 39
- Golden Gate Park
- Alcatraz Island

Santa Cruz
32 miles south
- Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk
- Natural Bridges State Beach
- West Cliff Drive

Monterey Bay/Carmel
71 miles south
- Pebble Beach Resorts
- Monterey Bay Aquarium
- Cannery Row
- 17-Mile Drive

Los Angeles
339 miles south
- Universal Studios Hollywood
- Disneyland
- The Getty Center
- Malibu

Top Hiring Employers of SJSU Students

- Air Systems
- Apple, Inc.
- Applied Materials, Inc.
- Avaya
- Breathe California
- Burr Pilger Mayer, Inc.
- City of San José
- Cisco Systems, Inc.
- County of Santa Clara
- Dell
- Deloitte LLP
- eBay Inc.
- Ericsson
- Ernst & Young LLP
- Genentech
- Grant Thornton LLP
- Hewlett-Packard
- Hortonworks, Inc.
- IBM
- Intuit
- Juniper Networks
- KLA-Tencor Corporation
- Lam Research
- Lockheed Martin
- PayPal
- PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
- Salesforce
- Synaptics Inc.
- Target Corporation
- Tensoft Inc.
- Tesla Motors
- Wells Fargo & Company

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Post it in the comments on facebook.com/SJSUEnrollment

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