

Course Information

This section contains the specific requirements for all graduate degrees authorized at San Diego State University by the board of trustees of the California State University. These specific requirements of departments or schools supplement and are in addition to the basic requirements for advanced degrees as stated in Part Four of this bulletin. All official master's degree programs must be prepared in conformity with the specific requirements for the degree in question.

In addition, courses acceptable for credit toward an advanced degree are listed under major fields and areas of concentration. Each course is listed by department number, title, and units. Not all courses are offered every semester or every academic year. Ordinarily each listed course will be offered not less than once during a two-year period. Refer to the *Class Schedule* for a listing of course offerings.

San Diego State University reserves the right to withdraw any course listed in the *Class Schedule* for which the enrollment is not sufficient to warrant the organization of a class.

Absence from Class

Instructor Initiated Drop Policy

Students who do not attend the first class session of a course may be dropped from that course by the instructor within the first eight class days of the semester. Students who do not meet prerequisite requirements can also be dropped within the first eight class days of the semester. Any student dropped by the instructor during this period will be notified of the action by e-mail. It is the student's responsibility to keep a current e-mail address on file through the SDSU WebPortal at <http://www.sdsu.edu/portal>. Summer deadlines vary by session. Consult the *Class Schedule* for specific dates.

NOT ALL INSTRUCTORS WILL DROP STUDENTS WHO MISS THE FIRST CLASS SESSION OR FOR LACK OF PREREQUISITES. Students are responsible for all courses on their schedules. Students should check their online schedules regularly and take necessary action to add or drop during the schedule adjustment period.

Religious Observances

By the end of the second week of classes, students should notify the instructors of affected courses of planned absences for religious observances. Instructors shall reasonably accommodate students who notify them in advance of planned absences for religious observances.

Schedule Adjustment Policy

The schedule adjustment period allows students to drop a course, add a course, withdraw from the university, and change the grading basis of a course. The schedule adjustment deadline is at 11:59 p.m. on the 10th day from the first day of classes. Students are not allowed to make any schedule adjustments after this deadline and are responsible for knowing the current semester's date for this deadline, which can be found on the academic calendar and the *Class Schedule* registration notice. Summer deadlines vary by session. Consult the *Class Schedule* for specific dates.

Credit Hour or Unit

As of July 1, 2011, federal law (Title 34, *Code of Federal Regulations*, sections 600.2 and 600.4) requires all accredited institutions to comply with the federal definition of the credit hour. For all CSU degree programs and courses bearing academic credit, the "credit hour" is defined as "the amount of work represented in intended learning outcomes and verified by evidence of student achievement that is an institutionally established equivalency that reasonably approximates not less than:

1. One hour of classroom or direct faculty instruction and a minimum of two hours of out-of-class student work each week for approximately 15 weeks for one semester or trimester hour of credit, or 10 to 12 weeks for one quarter hour of credit, or the equivalent amount of work over a different amount of time; or

2. At least an equivalent amount of work as required in paragraph (1) of this definition for other academic activities as established by the institution, including laboratory work, internships, practica, studio work, and other academic work leading to the award of credit hours."

A credit hour is assumed to be a 50-minute period. In courses in which "seat time" does not apply, a credit hour may be measured by an equivalent amount of work, as demonstrated by student achievement.

Prerequisites for Graduate Courses

Students must satisfy course prerequisites (or their equivalent) prior to beginning the course requiring the prerequisite. Faculty have the authority to enforce prerequisites listed in the bulletin, to evaluate equivalent preparation, and to require proof that such prerequisites/preparation have been completed. Faculty may, during the first week of classes, request students without the prerequisites or equivalent preparation to take formal action to drop the course. Failure to comply will result in a failing grade.

Special Topics Courses 596 and 696

No more than 12 units of coursework numbered 596 and/or 696 may be applied to a graduate degree; up to six units for an advanced certificate program with approval of the graduate adviser and graduate dean of the Division of Graduate Affairs. Special topics courses may also not constitute more than half the units toward a degree or certificate program.

Special Prerequisites for Registration in 798 and 799A

Registration in course 798, Special Study, must be arranged through the instructor, the major adviser, and the chair of the department concerned. Forms for this purpose are available in the departmental offices.

Only those students who have been advanced to candidacy and who have an officially appointed thesis committee are permitted to register for course 799A, Thesis. The student must obtain clearance for registration in this course from the Division of Graduate Affairs. Failure to obtain this clearance may result in cancellation of enrollment.

Thesis Extension (799B)

This course is intended solely for those graduate students who have had prior registration in Thesis 799A with an assigned grade symbol of SP or RP. Credit is issued for 799B if the final version of the thesis (approved by Montezuma Publishing) is submitted, paid for, and published by the publishing deadline that semester. If this does not happen, the 799B course has not been completed and a grade of NC (no credit) is issued. After receiving a grade of NC in 799B, students can register again for 799B in a future semester. A grade of NC is issued each time a 799B student does not submit his or her thesis to Montezuma Publishing by that semester's deadline. Although credit may be given retroactively for the outstanding report in progress (RP) in 799A, any 799B NC grades from previous semesters remain NC.

Comprehensive Examination Extension (799C)

Enrollment in 799C (0 units) is intended solely for those graduate students who have completed all degree requirements except for the comprehensive examination (Plan B) option. Enrollment in 799C is not necessary if a student is enrolled in other coursework during the semester they take the comprehensive examination. Enrollment in 799C is limited to two semesters. A grade of NC is issued for 799C if during the term the student is registered in 799C does not complete the comprehensive exam. Students who have satisfied the comprehensive exam requirement are not allowed to register in 799C.

Special Prerequisite for Registration in 899

Registration in course 899, Doctoral Dissertation, is limited to those doctoral students who have been advanced to candidacy and who have an officially appointed dissertation committee.

Hybrid, Online, and Intercampus Courses

Hybrid, online, and intercampus classes involve a formal educational process in which student and instructor are not necessarily in the same physical location, but interact in a synchronous or asynchronous manner through technology. Classes in which 20% to 50% of the scheduled sessions are conducted through this process are defined as hybrid. Classes in which greater than 50% of the scheduled sessions are conducted through this process are defined as online. Classes in which the instructor is located on one SDSU campus and interacts with students on another SDSU campus shall be defined as intercampus; such intercampus classes shall be arranged through consultations between the instructor and the appropriate personnel on each campus. For all three class modes, any required synchronous interactions (e.g., weekly sessions, aperiodic examinations, capstone presentations) shall be clearly established in the official schedule of classes with respect to specific dates, days, times, and locations as appropriate. Hybrid, online, and intercampus courses offered each term can be found in the *Class Schedule*.

Faculty Office Hours

All faculty members are required to hold regularly scheduled office hours during the week to allow for student consultation. A schedule of those hours and contact information is posted outside each faculty member's office door and on their course syllabi.

Accreditation

San Diego State University is accredited by the Senior College and University Commission of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, 985 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 100, Alameda CA 94501, 510-748-9001; FAX 510-748-9797; <http://www.wascsenior.org>. It is also approved to train veterans under the G.I. Bill.

San Diego State University's programmatic accreditation is through membership in the following associations:

Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET)

415 N. Charles Street
Baltimore, MD 21201
410-347-7700, <http://www.abet.org>

Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (Preventive Medicine Residency Program)

401 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 2000
Chicago, IL 60611
312-755-7498, <https://www.acgme.org>

American Chemical Society

Committee on Professional Training
1155 Sixteenth Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20036
202-872-4600, <http://www.acs.org>

American College of Nurse Midwives Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education

8403 Colesville Road, Suite 1550
Silver Spring, MD 20910
240-485-1800, <http://www.midwife.org>

American Psychological Association (Clinical Psychology)

750 First Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20002
202-336-5500, <http://www.apa.org>

California Commission on Teacher Credentialing

1900 Capitol Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95811
888-921-2682, <http://www.ctc.ca.gov>

Commission on Accreditation Athletic Training Education

6850 Austin Center Boulevard, Suite 100
Austin, TX 78731
512-733-9700, <http://www.caate.net>

Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education

6110 Executive Boulevard, Suite 614
Rockville, MD 20852
301-298-1820, <http://www.cahme.org>

Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education

112 South Alfred Street
Alexandria, VA 22314
703-838-9808, <http://www.aamft.org/IMIS15/AAMFT>

Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education

1111 North Fairfax Street
Alexandria, VA 22314
703-684-2782, <http://www.capteronline.org>

Council for Interior Design Accreditation

206 Grandville Avenue, Suite 350
Grand Rapids, MI 49503
616-458-0400, <http://www.accredit-id.org>

Council of Graduate Schools

One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 230
Silver Spring, MN 20910
202-789-1050, <http://www.cgsnet.org>

Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology

2200 Research Boulevard
Rockville, MD 20850
301-296-5700, <http://www.asha.org>

Council on Education for Public Health

1010 Wayne Avenue, Suite 220
Washington, D.C. 20005
202-789-1050, <http://www.ceph.org>

Council on Rehabilitation Education (CORE)

1699 E. Woodfield Road, Suite 300
Schaumburg, IL 60173
847-944-1345, <http://www.core-rehab.org>

Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)

1701 Duke Street, Suite 200
Alexandria, VA 22314
703-683-8080, <http://www.cswe.org>

National Association for the Education of Young Children

1313 L Street, NW, Suite 500
Washington, DC 20005
202-232-8777, <http://www.naeyc.org>

National Association of School Psychologists

4340 East West Highway, Suite 402
Bethesda, MD 20814
301-657-0270, <http://www.nasponline.org>

National Association of Schools of Art and Design

11250 Roger Bacon Drive, Suite 21
Reston, VA 20190
703-437-0700, <http://nasad.arts-accredit.org>

National Association of Schools of Theatre

11250 Roger Bacon Drive, Suite 21
Reston, VA 20190
703-437-0700, <http://nast.arts-accredit.org>

National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education

1140 19th Street, Suite 400
Washington, D.C. 20036
202-223-0077, <http://www.ncate.org>

National Council on Rehabilitation Education

1099 E. Champlain Drive, Suite A, #137
Fresno, CA 93740
559-906-0787, <http://www.ncre.org>

National Recreation and Park Association

22377 Belmont Ridge Road
Ashburn, VA 20148
800-626-6772, <http://www.nrpa.org>

Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration

1029 Vermont Avenue, NW, Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005
202-628-8965, <http://nasppa.org>

Western Association of Graduate Schools

University of Washington, The Graduate School
Box 351240
Seattle, WA 98195
206-543-9054, <http://www.wagsonline.org>

In addition, San Diego State University is accredited by the following agencies:

The Fowler College of Business and the School of Accountancy are accredited by **AACSB International—The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business**—at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Several Fowler College of Business programs are registered with the Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards, 1425 K Street, NW, Suite 500, Washington, D.C. 20005, 202-379-2200.

The College of Engineering undergraduate programs in aerospace engineering, civil engineering, computer engineering, construction engineering, electrical engineering, environmental engineering and mechanical engineering are accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission (EAC) of ABET, 415 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, MD 21201, 410-347-7700, <http://www.abet.org>.

The School of Journalism and Media Studies programs in advertising, journalism, and public relations are accredited by the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications, Stauffer-Flint Hall, 1435 Jayhawk Boulevard, Lawrence, KS 66045, 785-864-3973, <http://www.acejmc.org>.

The School of Nursing is accredited by the California State Board of Nursing, State of California, Department of Consumer Affairs, 400 R Street., Suite 4030, Sacramento, CA 95814, 916-322-3350.

The baccalaureate and master's degrees in the School of Nursing are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036, 202-887-6791, <http://www.aacn.nche.edu>.

Concentrations in Environmental Health and Occupational Health, in the Graduate School of Public Health are accredited by the American Board for Engineering and Technology, 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202, 410-347-7700.

The undergraduate program in Athletic Training in the School of Exercise and Nutritional Sciences is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education, 2201 Double Creek Drive, Suite 5006, Round Rock, TX 78664, 512-733-9700, <http://www.caate.net>.

Foods and Nutrition, the Didactic Program in Dietetics in the School of Exercise and Nutritional Sciences is approved by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND), Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, 120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000, Chicago, IL 60606, 800-877-1600, <http://www.eatright.org>.

Course Abbreviations

ACCTG Accountancy
 ARP..... Administration, Rehabilitation and
 Postsecondary Education
 A E..... Aerospace Engineering
 A S..... Aerospace Studies
 AFRAS Africana Studies
 AMIND American Indian Studies
 ANTH..... Anthropology
 ARAB..... Arabic
 ART..... Art
 ASIAN..... Asian Studies
 ASTR..... Astronomy
 AUD..... Audiology
 BIOMI Bioinformatics and Medical Informatics
 BIOL Biology
 B A..... Business Administration
 CAL..... Arts and Letters
 CHEM Chemistry
 CCS Chicana and Chicano Studies
 CFD Child and Family Development
 CHIN..... Chinese
 C P..... City Planning
 CIV E..... Civil Engineering
 CLASS Classics
 COMM Communication
 CINTS Comparative International Studies
 C LT Comparative Literature
 COMP..... Computational Science
 COMPE..... Computer Engineering
 CS..... Computer Science
 CON E Construction Engineering
 CSP..... Counseling and School Psychology
 CJ Criminal Justice
 DANCE Dance
 DPT..... Doctor of Physical Therapy
 DLE..... Dual Language and English Learner Education
 ECON Economics
 ED..... Education
 EDL..... Educational Leadership
 E E..... Electrical Engineering
 ENGR..... Engineering
 ENGL..... English
 ENV E Environmental Engineering
 ENV S Environmental Science
 EUROP European Studies
 ENS..... Exercise and Nutritional Sciences
 FILIP Filipino
 FIN..... Finance
 FRENC..... French
 GMS..... General Mathematics Studies
 GEN S..... General Studies
 GEOG Geography
 GEOL..... Geological Sciences
 GERMN..... German
 GERO Gerontology
 HHS Health and Human Services
 HEBRW..... Hebrew
 HIST..... History
 H SEC..... Homeland Security

HONOR Honors College
 HTM..... Hospitality and Tourism Management
 HUM Humanities
 INT S..... Interdisciplinary Studies
 I B..... International Business
 ISCOR..... International Security and Conflict Resolution
 ITAL Italian
 JAPAN Japanese
 JS..... Jewish Studies
 JMS..... Journalism and Media Studies
 KOR..... Korean
 LATAM Latin American Studies
 LDT Learning Design and Technology
 LGBT Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies
 LIB S..... Liberal Studies
 LING Linguistics
 MGT..... Management
 MIS Management Information Systems
 MKTG Marketing
 MALAS..... Master of Liberal Arts and Sciences
 MATH..... Mathematics
 M S E Mathematics and Science Education
 MTHED Mathematics Education
 M E Mechanical Engineering
 MIL S Military Science
 M BIO Molecular Biology
 MUSIC Music
 N SCI Natural Science
 NAV S Naval Science
 NURS..... Nursing
 NUTR..... Nutrition
 OCEAN..... Oceanography
 PERS..... Persian
 PHIL..... Philosophy
 PHYS Physics
 POL S Political Science
 PORT Portuguese
 PSFA Professional Studies and Fine Arts
 PSY Psychology
 P A..... Public Administration
 P H..... Public Health
 RTM Recreation and Tourism Management
 R A..... Regulatory Affairs
 REL S..... Religious Studies
 RWS..... Rhetoric and Writing Studies
 RUSSN..... Russian
 SCI..... Science
 SWORK..... Social Work
 SOC Sociology
 SPAN Spanish
 SPED Special Education
 SLHS..... Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences
 STAT Statistics
 SUSTN Sustainability
 TE Teacher Education
 TFM..... Television, Film and New Media
 THEA Theatre
 WMNST..... Women's Studies