The California State University

The individual California State Colleges were brought together as a system by the Donohoe Higher Education Act of 1960. In 1972, the system became the California State University and Colleges, and in 1982 the system became the California State University. Today, the campuses of the CSU include comprehensive and polytechnic universities and, since July 1995, the California Maritime Academy, a specialized campus.

The oldest campus – San José State University – was founded in 1857 and became the first institution of higher education in California. The newest – CSU Channel Islands – opened in fall 2002, with freshmen arriving in fall 2003.

The California State University is vested in the Board of Trustees, whose members are appointed by the Governor. The Trustees appoint the Chancellor, who is the chief executive officer of the system, and the Presidents, who are the chief executive officers of the respective campuses.

The Trustees, the Chancellor, and the Presidents develop systemwide policy, with implementation at the campus level taking place through broadly based consultative procedures. The Academic Senate of the California State University, made up of elected representatives of the faculty from each campus, recommends academic policy to the Board of Trustees through the Chancellor.

Academic excellence has been achieved by the California State University through a distinguished faculty whose primary responsibility is superior teaching. While each campus in the system has its own unique geographic and curricular character, all campuses, as multipurpose institutions, offer undergraduate and graduate instruction for professional and occupational goals as well as broad liberal education. All campuses require for graduation a basic program of “General Education Requirements” regardless of the type of bachelor’s degree or major field selected by the student.

The CSU offers high-quality, affordable bachelor’s and master’s level degree programs. Many of these programs are offered so that students can complete all upper division and graduate requirements by part-time, late afternoon, and evening study. In addition, a variety of teaching and school service credential programs are available. A limited number of doctoral degrees are offered jointly with the University of California and with private institutions in California. In 2005, the CSU was authorized to independently offer educational doctorate (Ed.D.) programs.

Enrollment in fall 2010 totaled 412,000 students, who were taught by more than 21,000 faculty. The system awards about half of the bachelor’s degrees and a third of the master’s degrees granted in California. More than 2.6 million students have graduated from CSU campuses since 1961.

A recent economic report found that the CSU supports more than 150,000 jobs statewide, annually. The engine driving job creation is more than $17 billion in economic activity that directly results from CSU-related spending that generates $5.43 for every dollar the state invests. For more information, please see www.calstate.edu/impact.

Average Support Cost Per Full-time Equivalent Student and Sources of Funds

The total support cost per full-time equivalent student (FTES) includes the expenditures for current operations, including payments made to students in the form of financial aid, and all fully reimbursed programs contained in state appropriations. The average support cost is determined by dividing the total cost by the number of full-time equivalent students. The total CSU 2011-12 budget amount was $2,141,273,000 from state General Fund (GF) appropriations (not including capital outlay funding) and before minus $38.5 million CalPERS retirement adjustment, $1,530,946,000 from tuition fee revenue net of financial aid (forgone revenue), and $340,440,000 from other fee revenues for a total of $4,012,659,000. The number of 2011-12 budgeted FTES is 331,716 resident and 13,572 non-resident students. The General Fund appropriation is applicable to resident students only whereas fee revenues are collected from resident and nonresident students. The number of full-time equivalent students is determined by dividing the total academic student load by 15 units per term (the figure used here to define a full-time student’s academic load).

The 2011-12 average support cost per full-time equivalent student based on General Fund appropriation and net basic tuition fee revenue only is $10,889 and when including all sources as indicated below is $11,875. Of this amount, the average net tuition fee revenue and other income per FTES is $5,420, which includes all fee revenue in the CSU Operating Fund (e.g. tuition fees, application fees, and other campus mandatory fees).

The average CSU 2011-12 academic year, resident, undergraduate student basic tuition fee and other mandatory fees required to apply to, enroll in, or attend the university is $6,519 ($5,472 tuition fee plus $1,047 average campus-based fees). However, the costs paid by individual students will vary depending on campus, program, and whether a student is part-time, full-time, resident, or nonresident.

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<td>Total Support Cost</td>
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<td>1,530,946,000</td>
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1 Represents state General Fund appropriation in the Budget Act of 2011-12; General Fund is divisible by resident students only (331,317 FTES).
2 Represents CSU Operating Fund, Tuition Fee, and other fees revenue amounts (net of forgone revenue) submitted in campus 2011-12 final budgets. Revenues are divisible by resident and nonresident students (345,288 FTES).

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