

Taking the Next Steps...

Information for Fall 2012 Applicants

1 Application Fee

An application processing fee of \$55 in U.S. funds is required for each new application submitted. The fee is non-refundable and may not be transferred to another term at any campus. The application fee may be waived if you are a California resident from a low-income family for whom the application fee would be an undue financial hardship. The application fee waiver is available on CSUMentor. An application fee or fee waiver must be submitted by February 1, 2012.

2 Official Transcripts

Applying as a First Time Freshman

Official transcripts are not required of freshman applicants at the time of application. **All first time freshman applicants must submit scores from the SAT or ACT exam.** Exams must be taken by the December 2011 test date. Scores must be received by CSU San Marcos by February 1, 2012.

Applying as a Transfer Student

To complete the application process, official transcripts must be received by CSU San Marcos from each college or university you have attended. Evaluation of applications and notification of decisions will occur on a rolling basis. You are encouraged to submit transcripts as soon as you apply but no later than the **February 1, 2012** deadline. It is the applicant's responsibility to request transcripts from all institutions previously attended as well as official CLEP, AP or IB scores or military transcripts.

3 Check Your Status

The website my.csusm.edu provides you with web-based access to your student records including the status of your application, transcripts, and admission. You'll need your User I.D. number and Password (located on the reverse side of this document).

4 Financial Aid

Begin the financial aid application process starting January 1, 2012. You do NOT need to be admitted to start the financial aid application process.

Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 2nd to receive priority consideration for funds. Applications may be filed online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. In order to meet the March 2nd priority date, you may report estimated tax information if you or your parents have not filed your 2011 tax return. The CSU San Marcos Title IV school code is 030113.

www.csusm.edu/finaid

5 Intent to Enroll & Deposit

Applicants offered admission must accept the offer of admission by completing the Intent to Enroll online on my.csusm.edu and submit a \$150 non-refundable deposit toward your first semester fees. The deposit may be waived for some students. Additional information will be provided to admitted students. **The Intent to Enroll and deposit must be submitted by May 1st for freshmen and June 1st for transfer students.**

6 Orientation & Registration

All new students must attend an orientation to register for fall 2012 courses. Students must submit an Intent to Enroll and pay an enrollment deposit before registering for an orientation. Check the Orientation website periodically for updates regarding orientation for incoming fall 2012 students.

www.csusm.edu/sll/onsp

7 Final Transcripts

Students offered admission must submit final, official transcripts from any institution attended during 2011-2012 by **July 15, 2012**. High school transcripts must include date of graduation.

Admissions Decisions

CSUSM has been designated an "impacted" CSU campus for fall 2012 admission. Please read our important information for first time freshmen and transfer students available at:

www.csusm.edu/admissions/impaction

We will begin notifying applicants from local admissions area high schools or community colleges of admissions decisions in December. Applicants from high schools or colleges outside our local area will be notified of admissions decisions in spring 2012.

Placement Exams

All first time freshmen are required to take the Entry Level Mathematics (ELM) exam and English Proficiency Test (EPT) prior to orientation unless the requirement has been met by another exam or course. For more information, visit:

www.ets.org/csu.

Impacted Majors

An undergraduate major is designated "impacted" when the number of applications received exceeds the number of available spaces. For fall 2012, Business Administration, Communication, Kinesiology, Mass Media and Nursing are impacted majors. **The choice of these majors will not impact admission.** Students interested in these majors will be admitted as pre-majors and must complete the pre-major core to be able to apply for major status.

www.csusm.edu/admissions/impaction

Academic Advising

Academic advising for newly admitted students begins at Orientation. New students will have the opportunity to ask questions in a group advising setting designed by major(s). New students are strongly advised to complete the appropriate online pre-orientation preparation found on the academic advising website at:

www.csusm.edu/academicadvising

Housing

CSUSM offers students the opportunity to live on campus in University Village Apartments or The Quad. **New first-time freshmen from outside of CSU San Marcos' local service area are required to live on campus for their first year.**

On-campus housing:

www.uvasanmarcos.com

Tracking Your Application

Check the status of your application and any required documents through the following website:

my.csusm.edu

You'll need your User I.D. number and Password listed below:

User I.D.:

Password.:

Contact Information:

Website: www.csusm.edu/admissions

E-mail: apply@csusm.edu

Phone: (760) 750-4848 press 0



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