

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SACRAMENTO



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Office of Graduate Studies

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Is the class schedule online? Can I have one mailed to me? Is there a cost?

Printed class schedules are no longer available. The class schedule is available through your MySacState portal and [here](#).

How do I know which classes to register for?

Please contact your Graduate Coordinator for advice about which courses to take as well as how many units you can take. You can also consult the University [Catalog](#) and find your specific program.

Will my graduate program have an orientation in addition to the Office of Graduate Studies orientation?

Graduate programs operate differently. Please contact your graduate program to ask whether or not they host an orientation for incoming students.

When should I get a Student Identification Card (OneCard)?

After you have been admitted, new students may obtain a One Card once you are registered for classes. It is recommended that you get your card before school starts because the lines are generally longer during the first two weeks of school.

What services are available for OneCard users (Why should I get one)?

The OneCard is your student ID, your library card, it allows you to ride Regional Transit bus and light rail with the OneCard placed in the current semesters commuter sleeve. You will need the OneCard to print in all campus computer labs and when you deposit money into your Hornet Bucks account you can use your card just like cash all over campus; a few of the campus eateries, the Hornet Bookstore, and Bursar's Office, just to name a few. Please visit the OneCard [website](#) for more information.

Do you offer career counseling services?

Yes, Sacramento State offers career counseling to students at the [Career Center](#).

I have been admitted as a "conditionally classified" student. Does this affect the amount of financial aid that I am eligible to receive? Conditionally classified graduate students who enroll in less than 4 units of 200-level coursework per semester are only eligible for financial aid at the UNDERGRADUATE level (\$10,500 annual maximum). In order to be eligible for financial aid at the GRADUATE level (\$18,500 annual maximum), conditionally classified graduate students must enroll in 4 or more units of 200-level coursework per semester. These conditions apply until the requirements to become a fully classified graduate student have been satisfied.

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What scholarships do you offer?

Please use the following link to access the Financial Aid office scholarship information <https://www.csus.edu/apply/financial-aid-scholarships/> . You may also view additional financial opportunities for Graduate Students on our [Financial Opportunities](#) page.

Does the library offer orientation tours?

Yes, use this link to take a virtual tour: <https://csus.libguides.com/c.php?g=768319>. For self-guided or guided tours, please call the circulation desk at: (916) 278-5679.

How do I get a Saclink account?

Individual accounts may be requested by admitted or currently enrolled students by accessing the Saclink registration [webpage](#).

Where can I find information on parking?

Daily, weekly, and semester parking permits are available for purchase. Please visit the University Transportation and Parking Services (UTAPS) [website](#) for more information about purchasing and pricing. The UTAPS office is physically located in the Welcome Center.

What are WELL fees for CCE students?

Students completing classes through CCE can obtain a membership at the WELL as CCE is an Associated Campus Program. CCE students can purchase a 1-4 month membership at a rate of \$32 per month.

I took a graduate level course while I was an undergraduate. Can I transfer that course into my master's program? Are there any forms required?

It depends on the program and when the graduate level coursework was taken. Please contact the Office of Graduate Studies at (916) 278-6470 for information.

How do I find out more information about fee waivers or reductions?

Some staff members and dependents of faculty/staff may qualify for the CSU Fee Waiver and Reduction Program. Please visit the Fee Waiver & Reduction Program [website](#) for more information.

Can I study abroad as a graduate student?

Please visit the Study Abroad Programs [website](#) for information.

Do I need to provide my own health insurance?

Domestic Students are highly advised to have health insurance via third part provider. While CSUS does not provide health insurance, all currently enrolled students who pay health fees are eligible to access services provided by Student Health, Counseling, & Wellness Services. Additional fees may apply to specialty services, procedures, pharmaceuticals, and vaccines.

International Students, as a condition of enrollment, are automatically enrolled in Anthem Student Advantage health insurance policy. Health insurance charges are automatically added to your university tuition and student fees. Please visit [International Student Health Insurance](#) for more information.

How do I find out information about the Sacramento State Academic Calendar?

Academic calendars are posted in each new University Catalog. The current Academic Calendar is located [here](#).

Is there university housing available to Graduate Students?

- **On-Campus:** On-Campus housing for Graduate students is available at the **American River Courtyard**. This residence hall is intended for sophomores, juniors, seniors, transfer, international and graduate students, in an apartment-style suite setting. Suites are completely furnished with a shared common living area and include two full bathrooms.
Additional On-Campus housing is available at **Hornet Commons**. Residents will lease individually by-the-bed and will share the common area, living/dining room, bathroom and kitchen with their roommates. Hornet Commons is intended for sophomore, junior, senior, transfer, international and graduate students.
- **Off-Campus Housing:** The **Upper Eastside Lofts** are a University-owned off-campus housing option, within walking distance of campus. A Hornet shuttle is also available for rides to and from campus. The staff at the Upper Eastside Lofts work hand-in-hand with the on-campus housing staff to provide an excellent off-campus experience while maintaining strong ties to the campus community.

How do I find out about student loan repayment?

The Financial Aid Office can assist you with information about repayment on student loans. More information can be found [here](#).