Interested in an Impacted Major?

**Major/Program Impaction:** when the number of applications from fully eligible students to a designated major during the initial filing period far exceeds the number of spaces available in that major.

**Expressed Interest:** a designation for undergraduate students interested in pursuing an Impacted Major, who have not yet been formally accepted to the program by the major department.

**TO APPLY TO AN IMPACTED MAJOR/PROGRAM:**
1. Students must successfully complete the specified prerequisite courses or equivalents. [Visit assist.org](http://assist.org) to find community college specific course equivalents.
2. Meet the minimum GPA and completed unit requirements.
3. Submit a supplemental application (see department website for details).

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**BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES**
[www.csus.edu/bios/programs.html](http://www.csus.edu/bios/programs.html)

- **Complete** the following courses with a grade of “C” or better:
  - GE AREA A2 – Written Communication
  - CHEM 1A (GE Areas B2 & B3) – General Chemistry I
  - BIO 1 (GE Areas B2 & B3) – Biodiversity, Evolution and Ecology
  - STAT 1 (GE Area B4) – Introduction to Statistics
  - BIO 2 – Cells, Molecules and Genes

- **Have a minimum GPA of 2.5** in the pre-major courses.  
  *Note: There is no GPA that guarantees admittance.*

- A supplemental application **is NOT** required. Students who identify Biological Sciences as their preferred major are designated “Pre-Majors” and are guaranteed a spot upon successful completion of the courses above.

- Students wishing to transfer and enter the Biological Sciences major are recommended to complete the entry requirements above **prior to transfer**.

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**CRIMINAL JUSTICE**
[http://www.csus.edu/HHS/cj/programs/impaction.html](http://www.csus.edu/HHS/cj/programs/impaction.html)

- **Complete** the following courses with a grade of “C” or better within three (3) attempts:
  - CRJ 1 (GE Area Any D) – Introduction to Criminal Justice
  - CRJ 2 – Law of Crimes
  - CRJ 4 – General Investigative Techniques
  - CRJ 5 – The Community and the Justice System

- **Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.6** or higher.  
  *Note: meeting the minimum GPA does not guarantee admission to the program*

- Have completed **45 units** of college course work.

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**BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**
[http://www.csus.edu/cba/ubac/impaction.html](http://www.csus.edu/cba/ubac/impaction.html)

- **Complete** the following courses with a grade of C- or better within three (3) attempts. Math 24 requires a grade of “C” or better within three (3) attempts:
  - MATH 24 (GE Area B4) – Modern Business Math
  - STAT 1 (GE Area B4) – Introduction to Statistics
  - ECON 1A (GE Any Area D course) – Macroeconomics
  - ECON 1B (GE Any Area D course) – Microeconomics
  - ACCY 1 – Fundamentals of Accounting
  - ACCY 2 – Managerial Accounting
  - MGMT 10 – Introduction to Business Law
  - MIS 1 – Operating Systems and Electronic Communication
  - MIS 2 – Spreadsheets
  - MIS 3 – Word Processing and Presentation Graphics

- **Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.4** and be in good standing at last college or university attended  
  *Note: meeting the minimum GPA does not guarantee admission to the program and students will be ranked by overall GPA.*

- Have completed **45 units** of college course work.

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**GRAPHIC DESIGN**
[http://catalog.csus.edu/current/programs/gphd.html](http://catalog.csus.edu/current/programs/gphd.html)

- **Complete** the following courses with a grade of “C” or better within three (3) attempts:
  - ART 20A (GE Area C1) – Beginning Drawing
  - GPHD 5 – Introduction to Graphic Design
  - GPHD 25 – Visual Basics
  - PHOT 40 – Basic Techniques of Photography

- Students must be enrolled in GPHD 20 (History of Graphic Design) and GPHD 30 (Visualization) during the semester the portfolio is submitted if these courses have not yet been completed. A grade of “C” or better is required.

- **Submit a portfolio.**
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**PHOTOGRAPHY**  
http://www.al.csus.edu/design/  
- Complete the following courses with a grade of “C” or better within two (2) attempts:  
  - PHOT 11 – Digital Imaging  
  - PHOT 40 - Basic Techniques of Photography
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 on the most recent 30 graded semester units including any prerequisites taken prior to the last 30 units.
- Be in good academic standing.
- Submit a portfolio.

**HEALTH SCIENCE**  
http://www.csus.edu/hhs/khs/hlsc/impaction.html  
- Complete the following courses with a grade of “C” or better:
  - BIO 25 – Human Anatomy and Physiology I
  - BIO 26 – Human Anatomy and Physiology II
  - CHEM 6A (GE Areas B1 & B3) – Introduction to General Chemistry
  - STAT 1 (GE Area B4) – Introduction to Statistics
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0. Students will be ranked based on overall GPA.  
  *Note: Meeting the minimum GPA does not guarantee admission to the program.
- Have completed 45 units of college course work.

**NURSING**  
http://www.csus.edu/HHS/nrs/  
- Complete the following courses with a grade of “C” or better within two (2) attempts:
  - ORAL COMMUNICATION (GE Area A1)
  - WRITTEN COMMUNICATION (GE Area A2)
  - CRITICAL THINKING (GE Area A3)
  - CHEM 5 OR CHEM 6A (GE Areas B1 & B3) – Chemistry
  - STAT 1 (GE Area B4) – Introduction to Statistics
  - BIO 25 & 26 OR BIO 22 & BIO 131 – Human Anatomy and Physiology I and II
  - BIO 39 OR BIO 139 – Microbiology
- A minimum Nursing GPA of 3.3 is required to be considered for admission.  
  *Note: Meeting the minimum GPA does not guarantee admission to the program.

**PSYCHOLOGY**  
http://www.csus.edu/psyc/program-impaction.html  
- Complete the following course with a grade of “C” or better within two (2) attempts:
  - PSYC 2 (GE Any Area D) – Introductory Psychology
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.3 and be in good academic standing.  
  *Note: meeting the minimum GPA does not guarantee admission to the program and students will be ranked by overall GPA.
- Have completed 30 units of college course work.

**TIPS FOR A SMOOTH AND SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION**

- Complete **ALL lower division courses** for your major and general education requirements prior to entering Sacramento State.  
  - Visit assist.org to find community college specific course equivalents.  
  - Visit the website for your program of interest for more details and information. Co-requisite courses may also be required.
- Admission to Sacramento State does not guarantee admission to an impacted major. A **Supplemental Application** is needed to apply; know the important deadlines and apply in a timely manner. Go to the department’s website for information.
  - If you are not admitted to an impacted major, you are still eligible to attend Sacramento State.
- **Have a back-up major/plan.** Meeting the minimum GPA does not guarantee admission to an impacted program.
  - Visit the career center at your campus to determine other areas of interest or other majors that will allow you to meet your career goals.
  - Work with your current professors and advisors to develop an academic success plan to ensure that your cumulative GPA is competitive and exceeds the GPA requirement for your program of interest.
  - You are expected to declare a major within your first semester at Sacramento State.

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