

SAN JOSÉ STATE UNIVERSITY

# STEPS TO ADMISSION

FALL 2025 NON-RESIDENTS OF CALIFORNIA



**Student Outreach and Recruitment  
(Pre-Admission Counseling)**

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## Academic Requirements First-Time First Year (Freshmen)

Applicants will be eligible for admission consideration according to the following minimum GPA requirements (a-g coursework):

Nonresident of California: 3.0 or greater

Areas	Years Required
a. History/Social Science: One year of U.S. history or U.S. history and government	Two years
b. English: Composition and literature	Four years
c. Mathematics: Algebra, geometry, intermediate algebra; or integrated mathematics	Three years (four years recommended)
d. Laboratory Science: One year of biological science and one year of physical science; both with lab	Two years (three years recommended)
e. Language other than English: Study in the same language	Two years
f. Visual and Performing Arts: Select a year-long course from art, theatre/drama, music or dance	One year
g. Elective	One year

Applicants below these GPA minimum requirements will not be considered for admission at SJSU.

Visit [sjsu.edu/admissions](http://sjsu.edu/admissions) for more information.

## Upper Division Transfer

(applicants who will have earned 60 semester/90 quarter transferable units by the end of the Spring 2025 term)

You will be eligible to be reviewed for admission by SJSU if you meet the following criteria:

- Successfully complete the equivalent of 60 semester/90 quarter transferable units. SJSU does not accept applications from individuals seeking a second bachelor's degree; please consider applying to a graduate level program.
- Pass the four basic skills courses equivalent to those taken at a U.S. college or university with a grade of "C-" or better (see list below):
  - A1 – Oral Communication
  - A2 – Written Composition (English)
  - A3 – Critical Thinking (Logic)
  - B4 – Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning (Intermediate Algebra as prerequisite)
- Earn a grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or greater
- Be in good standing at the last institution you attended (for example, not disqualified).

### Meeting Minimum Admission Requirements Does Not Guarantee Admission

Please see [sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction](http://sjsu.edu/admissions/impaction) for details about this process for Fall 2025

## Timeline

### FALL 2024

**ADMISSIONS APPLICATION AVAILABLE**  
**October 1**  
Admission Application available

**ADMISSIONS APPLICATION DEADLINE**  
**December 2**  
Admission Application Deadline and Application Fee Due \$70  
Check MySJSU at [one.sjsu.edu](http://one.sjsu.edu)

**MySJSU**  
**December 6**  
Applicants to BFA in Animation and Illustration must submit supplemental drawing exercises at Cal State Apply ([calstate.edu/apply](http://calstate.edu/apply))

### WINTER 2025

**SUPP APP**  
**January 24**  
Mandatory: complete the SJSU-specific Supplemental Application for admission (transfer only)

**February 15**  
Petition for Re-Admission as a Former Student Returning  
Check MySJSU for admission status updates

**MySJSU**  
**March 23**  
Work in Progress (Partial) Transcript Deadline  
AP Exam Scores

### SPRING 2025

**FINANCIAL AID**  
**March 2**  
Financial Aid (FAFSA) Priority Filing Deadline

**FINANCIAL AID**  
**April 26**  
Financial Aid Priority Document Completion Date (for consideration of maximum funding)

**INTENT TO ENROLL**  
**May 1**  
Intent to Enroll Deadline  
Sign up for Orientation  
Housing Application Deadline

### SUMMER 2025

**FINAL TRANSCRIPTS**  
**July 15**  
Final transcripts Deadline (Postmarked)

## List of Majors



Check out our catalog for a list of majors including fully online degree options, our list of 130+ minors, and available SAGE programs – [catalog.sjsu.edu](http://catalog.sjsu.edu)

### Statement of Nondiscrimination

The California State University (CSU) is committed to maintaining an inclusive community that values diversity and fosters tolerance and mutual respect. CSU does not discriminate on the basis of sex or gender, which includes gender identity (including transgender), gender expression, sexual orientation or sex stereotype in its education programs or activities. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and certain other federal and state laws, prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex or gender or sexual orientation in employment, as well as in all education programs and activities operated by the University (both on and off-campus). The protection against discrimination on the basis of gender or sexual orientation includes sexual harassment, sexual misconduct, and dating and domestic violence, and stalking.

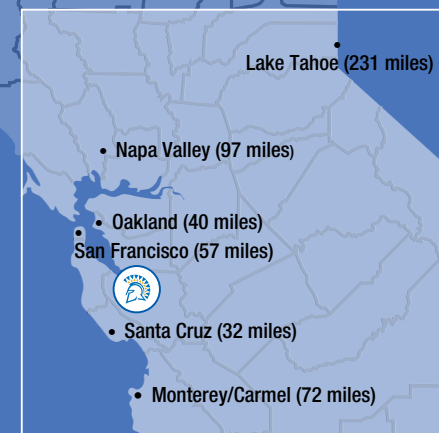
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For more information related to the Office for Title IX and Equal Opportunity, including who to contact and links to policies, visit [sjsu.edu/titleixeo](http://sjsu.edu/titleixeo)

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We can't wait to show you all the reasons you should choose SJSU.  
We offer in-person, group, individual and virtual tours.  
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San José is the 4th Largest city in California

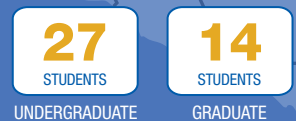
San José is the 12th Largest city in the country

San José has 300 days of sunshine per year

## Campus Profile FALL 2023

Student Body **32,229**

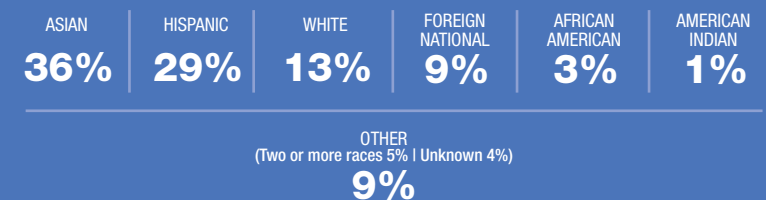
Average Class Size



Where do SJSU students call home?



Race/Ethnicity



## Top Hiring Employers

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|-------------------|--|
| Adobe Systems     | Lockheed Martin                                      |
| Amazon            | Microsoft  |
| Apple             | National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) |
| Bloom Energy      | PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC)                         |
| City of San José  | Salesforce   |
| Genentech         | Target Corporation                                   |
| Google, Inc.      | Tesla  |
| Kaiser Permanente |  |

Visit the Career Center at [sjsu.edu/careercenter](http://sjsu.edu/careercenter) to learn more about the careers our graduates pursue and resources to guide your choice of major to reach your career goals.



Visit **WhySJSU**

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# Costs

**Estimated Cost of Attendance for the academic year 2025-26 for non-residents of California:**  
**More detailed information about fees can be found at [sjsu.edu/bursar](https://sjsu.edu/bursar)**

Tuition and Fees	\$18,490
Living Expenses	\$26,479
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$44,969</b>

Amounts are based on full-time attendance (12 units per semester at SJSU) for a 9-month academic year. More detailed information about fees can be found at [sjsu.edu/faso/process/cost-of-attendance.php](https://sjsu.edu/faso/process/cost-of-attendance.php)

## Cost Comparison

College University	Tuition & Fees
San José State University	\$18,490
University of California (Estimated Average for nonresidents)	\$50,328



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[sjsu.edu/enrollmentmanagement/docs/fall2025/UniversityHousingServices2024-2025.pdf](https://sjsu.edu/enrollmentmanagement/docs/fall2025/UniversityHousingServices2024-2025.pdf)

## How is residency determined for tuition purposes?

The determination of residency for tuition purposes affects whether a student pays in-state or out-of-state tuition fees. Out-of-state tuition fees are higher than in-state tuition fees. Certain requirements, established under California law, must be met. Visit the California State University site at [calstate.edu/apply/california-residency-for-tuition-purposes](https://calstate.edu/apply/california-residency-for-tuition-purposes) for additional information regarding residency.

## Fees Are Subject to Change

The CSU makes every effort to keep student costs to a minimum. Fees listed in published schedules or student accounts may need to be increased when public funding is inadequate. Therefore, CSU must reserve the right, even after fees are initially charged or initial fee payments are made, to increase or modify any listed fees. All listed fees, other than mandatory systemwide fees, are subject to change without notice, until the date when instruction for a particular semester or quarter has begun. All CSU listed fees should be regarded as estimates that are subject to change upon approval by the Board of Trustees, the Chancellor, or the Presidents, as appropriate. Changes in mandatory systemwide fees will be made in accordance with the requirements of the Working Families Student Fee Transparency and Accountability Act (Sections 66028 - 66028.6 of the Education Code).

Students should never pay Faculty members directly for any services or goods. All fees are mandatory with the exception of the Student Involvement and Representation Fee (SIRF) and are assigned a due date based on the date you register.

### Recognized by the Wall Street Journal for Salaries of our Graduates

Accounting (#1), Marketing (#2), Data Science (#4), Engineering (#5), and Software Development (#6) were all ranked in the top six nationally for graduates in high-paying jobs.

### Rated 4.5 out of 5 stars in Money magazine's Best College Ranking for 2024

Ratings were based on quality of education, affordability and outcomes for graduates.

### 50% Less Debt

SJSU undergraduates graduate with less than half the average debt of California college graduates. Visit [sjsu.edu/impact](https://sjsu.edu/impact) for more information.

### \$2.5 Billion More

Attending SJSU increases an individual's future earnings; SJSU alumni earn \$2.5 billion more than individuals holding an associate degree or higher in California.

### Diversifying the Workplace

SJSU students — over 83% people of color and 42% first generation college students — go on to work for the world's biggest companies.