



# ADMISSIONS HANDBOOK

FALL 2021



SAN DIEGO STATE  
UNIVERSITY

# ABOUT SDSU

Founded in 1897, San Diego State University is a public institution of higher education in southern California. Part of the 23-campus California State University system, SDSU is one of the largest universities in the state with more than 34,000 students.

SDSU continues to gain recognition as a leader in higher education. We are among the top 70 public universities in the country, according to *U.S. News & World Report's* annual ranking of America's Best Colleges.

## OUR CAMPUS

SDSU acknowledges the Kumeyaay peoples as the traditional caretakers of the land on which SDSU now sits and its surrounding areas. Ranked No. 8 on *Cosmopolitan's* list of Most Beautiful College Campuses, SDSU's campus is a lively mix of historical and state-of-the-art buildings spread over 280 acres of lushly landscaped grounds. Although the campus is large, you can walk across campus in just 20 minutes. SDSU is northeast of downtown San Diego, just off Interstate 8 and conveniently located along the San Diego Trolley.

## VISIT SDSU VIRTUALLY

We look forward to welcoming you to our campus as soon as circumstances allow campus tours to resume. In the meantime, we look forward to meeting you virtually. Review [sdsu.edu/virtualvisits](https://sdsu.edu/virtualvisits) and connect with us. Take a virtual tour any time at [sdsu.edu/virtualtour](https://sdsu.edu/virtualtour).



\*Photo taken prior to 2020

# SAN DIEGO

The second largest city in California, San Diego is a thriving cultural, scientific, and educational center. Our proximity to the Pacific Rim and Mexico and our diverse regional population provide opportunities for valuable work and learning experiences.

Known for its near-perfect climate, miles of sandy beaches, and fun-filled waterfront activities, our region is home to a wide range of industries, from engineering and biotechnology to agriculture and tourism. The hustle and bustle of the Gaslamp Quarter and downtown neighborhoods is complemented by the charming and eclectic beach towns of Pacific Beach, Ocean Beach, and La Jolla.

With all the amenities for living, working, and playing, it's no wonder San Diego is nicknamed "America's Finest City!" Learn more about San Diego at [sandiego.org](http://sandiego.org).



## HOW CLOSE?

- 10 miles..... Beaches
- 10 miles..... Downtown
- 50 miles..... Mountains
- 75 miles ..... Deserts
- 95 miles ..... Disneyland
- 120 miles ..... Los Angeles
- 350 miles ..... Phoenix
- 500 miles ..... San Francisco





## FAST FACTS

**34,031**

students enrolled, including 29,867 undergrads and 4,344 grads.

**No. 1**

in the state and No. 5 in the nation for the number of students studying abroad, in the latest Open Doors report, with more than 3,000 students studying abroad.

**No. 8**

nationally in graduation rate performance, based on *U.S. News and World Report's* most recent college rankings.

**No. 30**

in the *Forbes America's Best Value Colleges* for 2019, up from No. 45 in 2018.

**Top 35**

nationwide for ethnic diversity by *U.S. News and World Report*.

**92**

students have received Fulbright awards, making SDSU a top producer in Fulbright winners.

**Best 385 Colleges**

by Princeton Review's 2020 edition recognizing SDSU's quality affordable education, wide array of majors and minors, and opportunities for student involvement.

# MAJORS

At SDSU, we are committed to creating educational opportunities that contribute to intellectual development and equip you to succeed in a global society. All incoming students receive a four-year plan giving them a clear road map to graduation.

For more information about majors, emphases, and minors, visit [sdsu.edu/majors](https://sdsu.edu/majors). Find the plan for your major at [sdsu.edu/mymap](https://sdsu.edu/mymap).



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- Accounting**
- Aerospace Engineering**
- Africana Studies**
- American Indian Studies**
- Anthropology**
- Art\*\***
  - Applied Design\*
  - Art History\*
  - Graphic Design\*
  - Interior Architecture\*
  - Multimedia and Photography\*
  - Painting and Printmaking\*
  - Sculpture\*
  - Studio Arts\*
- Asian Studies**
  - Chinese Studies and Language\*
- Astronomy**
- Bioengineering**
- Biology\*\***
  - Cellular and Molecular Biology\*
  - Ecology\*
  - Evolutionary Biology\*
  - Marine Biology\*
  - Zoology\*
- Business Administration**
- Chemical Physics**
- Chemistry\*\***
  - ACS Certificate (optional)
  - Biochemistry\*
  - Chemistry Integrated Teacher Education\*
- Chicana and Chicano Studies**
- Child Development**
- Civil Engineering**
- Classics**
- Communication**
- Comparative International Studies**
- Comparative Literature**
- Computer Engineering**
- Computer Science**
- Construction Engineering**
- Criminal Justice**
- Dance**
- Economics**
  - International Economics\*
  - Public Policy\*
  - Quantitative Analysis\*
- Electrical Engineering**
- English\*\***
- Entrepreneurship**
- Environmental Engineering**
- Environmental Sciences**
- European Studies**
- Finance**
- Financial Services**
- Foods and Nutrition**
- French**
- General Business**
- Geography**
  - Environment, Sustainability, and Policy\*
  - General Geography\*
  - Geographic Information Science and Technology\*
  - Human Geography and Global Studies\*
  - Water, Climate, and Ecosystems\*
- Geological Sciences**
- German**
- Gerontology**
- Health Communication**
- History**
- Hospitality and Tourism Management**
  - Hotel Operations and Management\*
  - Meetings and Events Operations and Management\*
  - Restaurant Operations and Management\*
  - Tribal Gaming Operations and Management\*
- Humanities**
  - European Humanities\*
- Human Resource Management**
- Information Systems**
- Interdisciplinary Studies**
- International Business**
- International Security and Conflict Resolution**
  - Cooperation, Conflict, and Conflict Resolution\*
  - Environment and Security\*
  - Justice in the Global System\*
- Islamic and Arabic Studies**
- Japanese**
- Journalism**
  - Advertising\*
  - Media Studies\*
  - Public Relations\*
- Kinesiology**
  - Exercise Science Generalist\*
  - Fitness Specialist\*
  - Prephysical Therapy\*

- Language, Culture, and Society**
- Latin American Studies**
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Plus (LGBTQ+) Studies**
- Liberal Studies**
  - Education—Generalist\*
  - Elementary Education\*
  - Mathematics\*
  - Multiple Subject Teaching Credential Integrated Teacher Education\*
  - Science\*
- Linguistics**
- Management**
- Marketing**
- Mathematics\*\***
  - Applied Mathematics\*
  - Computational Science\*
  - Mathematics Integrated Teacher Education\*
  - Science\*
- Mechanical Engineering**
- Mechanical Engineering—Bioengineering**
- Microbiology**
  - Clinical Laboratory Science\*
- Modern Jewish Studies**
- Music**
- Nursing**
- Philosophy**
- Physical Science\*\***
- Physics**
- Political Science**
- Psychology**
- Public Administration**
  - City Planning\*
- Public Health**
- Real Estate**
- Recreation Administration**
- Religious Studies**
- Rhetoric and Writing Studies**
- Russian\*\***
- Russian and Central European Studies**
- Social Science\*\***
- Social Work**
  - Community Corrections Case Management\*
  - Environmental Social Work\*
- Sociology**
- Spanish\*\***
- Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences**
- Statistics**
  - Actuarial Science\*
  - Data Science\*
- Sustainability**
- Television, Film and New Media**
  - Critical Studies\*
  - Production\*
- Theatre Arts**
  - Design and Technology\*
  - Design for Television and Film\*
  - Performance\*
  - Youth Theatre\*
- Undeclared**
- Urban Studies**
- Vocational Education**
- Women's Studies**

*\*This is an emphasis or specialization offered within the major*

*\*\*This major also offers preparation for the single subject teaching credential*

## PREPROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

Are you interested in attending a professional school after graduation? SDSU's preprofessional programs are not majors, but help prepare you to continue your studies in the following career fields:

- Pre dental
- Preoccupational Therapy
- Prepharmacy
- Prepodiatric Medicine
- Prelegal
- Prephysical Therapy
- Presocial Work
- Premedical
- Preoptometry
- Prephysician Assistant
- Preveterinary Medicine

Learn more about the preprofessional programs by visiting [sdsu.edu/preprof](https://sdsu.edu/preprof).

# STUDENT SUCCESS

## WEBER HONORS COLLEGE

As one of SDSU's most academically engaged undergraduate students, you will benefit from small, discussion-based classes and innovative teaching techniques, which promote inquiry and discovery. Study abroad opportunities and residential community experiences in the Weber Honors Residential College in Zura Hall enable you to reach beyond the boundaries of your academic major.

To learn more about the requirements and applying for the Weber Honors College, visit [sdsu.edu/honors](https://sdsu.edu/honors).

## RESEARCH

If you're driven by the thrill of discovery, prepare to conduct research alongside history-makers at SDSU. Our students, faculty, and alumni have been part of research teams that addressed important subjects like RNA modification, biomathematics, and post-wildfire storm runoff. Their research shed new light on lung disease, adolescent anxiety, cancer, diabetes, Dengue Virus, and many other disorders.

To read these stories and more, go to [research.sdsu.edu/undergrad](https://research.sdsu.edu/undergrad).



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## STUDY ABROAD

Join more than 3,000 students each year who experience the excitement and rewards of studying in another country. SDSU offers more than 650 study abroad programs in 70 countries. These programs offer you the opportunity to learn a new language, experience a different culture, build your resume, and increase earning potential.

Visit [sdsu.edu/studyabroad](https://sdsu.edu/studyabroad) to find the right program for you.

## CAREER DEVELOPMENT

SDSU strives to help all students find their dream careers through a multitude of internships, career services, and mentoring programs. SDSU will connect you with businesses in the San Diego area or with departmental internships on campus.

SDSU's Career Services hosts multiple career fairs throughout the year to connect you with on- and off-campus employers. Career Services will also aid you in developing and refining your resume and interviewing skills. Explore the available resources at [career.sdsu.edu](https://career.sdsu.edu).

# ADMISSIONS

## FRESHMAN ADMISSION CRITERIA

San Diego State University's admissions process considers a comprehensive range of factors for each applicant. We seek to enroll students who are both academically qualified and demonstrate the potential to contribute to SDSU's diverse community. SDSU students have a wide variety of backgrounds, curiosities, and passions.

Before you apply, review the information and checklist at [sdsu.edu/freshmanapplicant](https://sdsu.edu/freshmanapplicant) and then apply at [calstate.edu/apply](https://calstate.edu/apply) between October 1 and December 4, 2020 for fall 2021 admission.

### Your application is evaluated based on:

1. Completion of the A-G college prep curriculum
2. High School Grade Point Average (GPA)
3. Preparation Towards Indicated Area of Study
4. Additional Factors

## A-G COURSES

As a first-time freshman applicant, you must earn a C- or higher in the following 15-unit "A-G" pattern of college preparatory courses:

### A. Social Science—2 years

Must include 1 year U.S. history and government.

### B. English—4 years

Acceptable courses must include substantial reading of classic/modern literature and writing of structured papers.

### C. Mathematics—3 years (4 recommended)

Acceptable courses include algebra I, geometry, and algebra II.

### D. Laboratory Science—2 years

Must include 1 year of a biological science and 1 year of a physical science.

### E. Foreign Language—2 years or demonstrated equivalent competence

Both years must be in the same language.

### F. Visual and Performing Arts—1 year

Must be a year-long course in visual art, dance, drama/theatre, or music. May complete two semester-long courses from the same discipline.

### G. Electives—1 year

Select from English, advanced mathematics, social studies, history, laboratory science, agriculture, or foreign language.



## HIGH SCHOOL GPA

We consider the breadth and depth of your academic record, and encourage you to challenge yourself by taking a rigorous curriculum including Advanced Placement (AP), honors, and/or International Baccalaureate (IB) classes.

## PREPARATION TOWARDS INDICATED AREA OF STUDY

You must choose a major when you apply to SDSU. All majors are competitive, and every major has more applicants than available spots (the CSU calls this impaction). While we look at all of the college-prep coursework you have taken during high school, we also consider your performance and the number of units taken in courses most relevant to predicted success in your intended academic discipline.

## ADDITIONAL FACTORS

Special consideration is given to students who have overcome life obstacles, participated in college preparatory programs, and attend high schools within SDSU's local admission area.

*Note: In alignment with the California State University (CSU) system, SDSU will not require or consider SAT or ACT exam scores from first-year applicants for spring 2021, fall 2021 and spring 2022 entry. Scores may be requested post-admission to assist with course placement.*



# ADMISSIONS

## TRANSFER ADMISSION CRITERIA

SDSU accepts transfer applications\* only from upper-division transfer or readmission students who have completed 60 or more transferable semester (or 90 or more quarter) units by the end of the spring term prior to enrolling at SDSU for the following fall semester.

All applicants will be admitted on a space-available basis and ranked on how closely they meet the five requirements below.

### Transfer Admission Requirements

As an upper-division transfer applicant, you must meet the following **minimum** requirements by the end of the spring\*\* term prior to enrolling at SDSU for the following fall semester to be considered for admission:

- Complete a minimum of 60 or more transferable semester (or 90 or more quarter) units.
- Complete a minimum of 30 units of General Education courses.
- Complete with a C- grade or higher, the following General Education courses, known as the “Golden Four.” For detailed information about the Golden Four, visit [sdsu.edu/transferapply](https://sdsu.edu/transferapply).
  - a. Oral Communication
  - b. Written Communication
  - c. Critical Thinking
  - d. Mathematics
- Meet the GPA\*\*\* required for your major at [sdsu.edu/majorgpa](https://sdsu.edu/majorgpa). Depending on the number of applicants, the GPA for admitted students may be higher than the required minimum for the major.
- Complete all major preparation courses listed in the SDSU General Catalog.

\* SDSU typically does not accept transfer applications from lower-division students with fewer than 60 transferable semester units nor for a second bachelor's degree except in nursing.

\*\* Upper-division nursing transfer applicants must complete all nursing prerequisites by the end of the fall term.

\*\*\* If you have prior SDSU coursework, you must maintain a 2.0 or higher GPA for any SDSU Regular Session, Special Session, Open University, or Cross Enrollment coursework. This is in addition to the major GPA requirement. You must meet the GPA required for your major at the time of application and maintain throughout the admissions process. Visit [sdsu.edu/majorgpa](https://sdsu.edu/majorgpa) for more information.

## Transfer Pathways

When you apply to SDSU as a transfer student, you must select the major that you are going to pursue. For a complete list of majors offered at SDSU, visit [sdsu.edu/majors](https://sdsu.edu/majors). When you are considering which major to choose, review the transfer admission requirements carefully as some majors have special instructions.

After you have selected a major, determine which pathway you will follow for admission. The following pathways are offered at SDSU:

- Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT)
- Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)
- General Transfer Pathway

For more information, visit [sdsu.edu/transferapply](https://sdsu.edu/transferapply).

## Online Resources

- SDSU Admissions—[sdsu.edu/transferapply](https://sdsu.edu/transferapply)
- Transfer Admission Planner—[sdsu.edu/tap](https://sdsu.edu/tap)
- ASSIST—[assist.org](https://assist.org)
- Major Academic Plan—[sdsu.edu/mymap](https://sdsu.edu/mymap)
- SDSU General Catalog—[sdsu.edu/catalog](https://sdsu.edu/catalog)

# APPLYING

## HOW TO APPLY

SDSU's application filing period is October 1 to December 4 for admission the following fall. Before you apply, visit the online application guide at [sdsu.edu/transferapplicant](https://sdsu.edu/transferapplicant) and then apply at [calstate.edu/apply](https://calstate.edu/apply) and designate San Diego State University as your campus of choice.

## ONLINE SDSU SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION

Transfer applicants must submit the mandatory online SDSU Supplemental Application on the SDSU WebPortal by January 22, 2021.

Admission is based on self-reported information. SDSU will verify this information against your official transcripts after you are admitted.

## ADMISSION STATUS

Admission decisions will be available via your SDSU WebPortal account starting in March. Be sure to set up your SDSU WebPortal account at [sdsu.edu/portal](https://sdsu.edu/portal) in December to view your admission status.



## COST OF ATTENDANCE

Your college education is a valuable investment in your future. With the increasing cost of higher education across the country, it is important to make informed choices to make this investment affordable for you and your family.

We want you to understand what your costs will be so that you can make important decisions as you prepare for the next step in your education.

### COST CALCULATOR

SDSU's Net Price and Cost Calculator helps you estimate your eligibility for undergraduate federal grants and loans and the approximate net price you and your family should expect to pay using your own funds.

Visit [sdsu.edu/costcalculator](https://sdsu.edu/costcalculator) for more information.



## ESTIMATED UNDERGRADUATE COST OF ATTENDANCE (2020-21)

	California Residents	Nonresidents (Out-of-State)
<b>Tuition Expenses</b>		
Basic Tuition and Fees	\$7,720	\$7,720
Nonresident Tuition*	\$0	\$11,880
<b>Living Expenses</b>		
Housing and Food**	\$18,531	\$18,531
<b>Additional Expenses***</b>		
Transportation	\$1,121	\$1,121
Books and Supplies	\$1,079	\$1,079
Miscellaneous and Personal	\$1,789	\$1,789
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$30,240</b>	<b>\$42,120</b>

For the most up-to-date figures, or for information on graduate tuition and fees, refer to [sdsu.edu/costofattendance](https://sdsu.edu/costofattendance).

\* Nonresident tuition is based on 15 units each semester at \$396 per unit.

\*\* Review the on-campus food and housing payment schedule on the Rates web page of the Housing and Residential Education website. Your total cost and payments will vary depending on the meal plan and room type you request. The cost listed for an upper-division transfer is based on a student living off campus.

\*\*\* Plan for additional expenses that will increase your cost of attendance. These are the average costs that we estimate for undergraduates. If these amounts match your personal situation, then include them in the overall cost of attendance listed above.

Cost of Attendance Note: 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).

# PAYING FOR YOUR EDUCATION

Get an overview of how to pay for your education and the financial aid process at [sdsu.edu/financialaid](https://sdsu.edu/financialaid). Once you have applied for aid, access AidLink at [sdsu.edu/AidLink](https://sdsu.edu/AidLink) to check on the status of your financial aid application.

## FINANCIAL AID

You can apply for financial aid anytime after October 1—don't wait until you are admitted to the university! The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is all you need to be considered for federal grants, student and parent loans, and work study. Apply online at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov) using SDSU's Federal School Code of 001151.

### Deadlines

March 2 is the Cal Grant deadline and we encourage all students to complete the FAFSA by this date. Be sure to check AidLink to determine if you need to submit additional documentation and for the priority evaluation deadline.

### IRS Data Retrieval

**We strongly recommend that you use the IRS Data Retrieval process when submitting your online FAFSA.** Actual income and tax information is automatically transferred from the IRS to your application reducing errors and the need to follow up for additional information.

### Types of Aid

**Federal Pell Grant:** The Pell Grant is awarded based on financial need and does not have to be repaid.

**Loans:** Federal loan programs allow you to borrow funds for your education that you will repay after graduation at a low interest rate. A freshman may borrow up to \$5,500 in federal loans. Parents may borrow up to the total cost of attendance after passing a credit evaluation for a Federal Parent PLUS Loan. Alternative loans, offered by private lenders, are more expensive. Borrow your limit in federal loans before seeking a private loan.

**Work Study:** The Federal Work Study program is a part-time employment program for students with financial need. You may contact the SDSU Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships to learn more about eligibility requirements.

**Cal Grant:** California residents may be eligible to receive a Cal Grant, which is free money for college. Apply by submitting the FAFSA ([fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov)) and the GPA Verification Form ([csac.ca.gov](https://csac.ca.gov)) by March 2.



*\*Photo taken prior to 2020*

## SCHOLARSHIPS

A scholarship is a monetary award usually given to students based on their achievements and qualifications, which help students pay for their education. Unlike student loans, scholarships do not have to be repaid.

### Scholarship Resources

- Learn more about scholarships by visiting [sdsu.edu/scholarships](https://sdsu.edu/scholarships).
- Ask about scholarships from your parents' workplaces or your church or civic organization.
- Try scholarship search engines such as [scholarships.com](https://scholarships.com) and [fastweb.com](https://fastweb.com). But BEWARE of people or organizations wanting to charge you money. Searches should ALWAYS be FREE!
- Prestigious national scholarships are listed by SDSU's Office of National Scholarships and Fellowships at [onsf.sdsu.edu](https://onsf.sdsu.edu).

# HOUSING

Living on campus at SDSU means freedom from frustrating commutes, costly utility bills, and daily meal preparation. All of the SDSU residential facilities are furnished and provide a number of amenities to make your on-campus living experience a positive one. The SDSU residential communities provide a strong support network within your living environment and the opportunity to establish close-knit friendships. Learn more at [housing.sdsu.edu](https://housing.sdsu.edu).

## BENEFITS

The advantages of living on campus are numerous. Both national research and SDSU research indicate that students who live on campus:

- Have higher GPAs than students who live off campus
- Are more connected to campus and report a better college experience
- Are more likely to stay at the same college and to graduate in a timely fashion

## TWO-YEAR RESIDENTIAL REQUIREMENT

Due to the proven success of on-campus living, the Sophomore Success Program requires all students who graduate from a high school outside of SDSU's local admission area to live on campus their first and second years. Sophomore Success is an immersive, full-service academic and student life initiative tailored to sophomore students. Program participants enjoy special services and events designed to promote academic, career and personal success including:

- Academic advising workshops
- Career readiness: resume critiques, internship preparation, and networking
- Study abroad planning
- Financial literacy education
- Healthy living: smart shopping tours, healthy cooking demonstrations, and creating a balanced lifestyle

For more information about the Sophomore Success Program, visit [housing.sdsu.edu/soph\\_quest](https://housing.sdsu.edu/soph_quest).

## RESIDENCE HALLS

For our first-year students, we typically offer triple occupancy rooms in traditional residence hall buildings (triple occupancy rooms are offline for the 2020-21 academic year due to COVID-19 to ensure social distancing). A limited number of quad, double and single rooms are available based on inventory. Each residence hall includes a 24-hour front desk, recreation room, study room, vending machines, and laundry room. Each room is furnished with a bed, desk, chair, dresser, wardrobe or closet and MicroFridge (microwave, mini-fridge combination unit).



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## APARTMENTS AND SUITES

For our second-year residents, we primarily offer single and double occupancy rooms in 1-4 bedroom apartments and suite-style buildings. Each apartment and suite-style complex includes a community office and on-site laundry. Each apartment has a full kitchen with microwave, stove/oven, and refrigerator, as well as a community space. Suites include a kitchenette and mini-fridge. Each room is furnished with a bed, desk, chair, dresser, wardrobe or closet.

## AMENITIES

On-campus housing includes:

- Wi-Fi
- Cable or Philo TV streaming with 20 hours of DVR
- Aztec Recreation Center (ARC) and Aquaplex membership
- Diverse meal plans and dining options
- Live-in faculty and staff support
- Community activities and programs
- 24/7 maintenance service for emergency repairs



# HOUSING

## MEAL PLANS

SDSU meal plans provide you with the flexibility to eat when and where you want. SDSU dining provides over 30 venues to choose from across campus with 20,000 menu options daily. Many of these menus feature fresh ingredients from three SDSU gardens through the Campus-Grown program. Find out more about meal plans at [eatatsdsu.com/mealplans](http://eatatsdsu.com/mealplans).

## RESIDENTIAL LEARNING COMMUNITIES

Residential Learning Communities (RLCs) provide first-year residents with a unique opportunity to connect and learn, both inside and outside of the classroom. In an RLC, you will live alongside other students with shared academic or co-curricular interests and are enrolled in a connected set of academic courses to help produce smaller, more intentional communities that promote student success.

Your education will be supported by Faculty-in-Residence (FIRs) and Academic Mentors (AMs) through related social activities and one-on-one mentorship.

## Residential Learning Community Options

- Adventures in Surfing and Sustainability
- Black Excellence
- Business
- Discover San Diego
- Emerging Leaders Program
- Future Education Professionals
- Health and Healing Professions
- Journalism and Media Studies
- Journey Into Entrepreneurship
- Men Engaging in Technology and Science (METS)
- Nursing (must be a direct admit to the Nursing program)
- Physical Fitness (P-Fit)
- Pre-Law Community
- Pride House (LGBTQIA+)
- Toltec House for Undeclared Majors
- Visual and Performing Arts
- Weber Honors Residential College (must be accepted into the Weber Honors College)
- Women in Science and Engineering (WiSE)
- Women's and Gender Equity House (WAGE)



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# STUDENT LIFE

## RED AND BLACK GOES GREEN

SDSU has been recognized by The Princeton Review for its sustainability efforts, which include GreenFest. GreenFest is a week of environmentally themed activities culminating with a festival and concert. SDSU has several buildings with Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Certification, including the Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union. The student union is the hub of campus life and home to the Aztec Lanes bowling alley, the ARC Express, and several eateries. To learn more, visit [as.sdsu.edu/union](https://as.sdsu.edu/union).

## AZTEC NIGHTS

We kick off each semester with several weeks of free nightlife — places to have fun, meet your friends and make new friends. Thousands of students attend Aztec Nights events, which include Templo del Sol, games, movie nights, talent and comedy show, art-making, magicians, trivia, karaoke and more! Check out the fun events for this year at [aztecnight.com](https://aztecnight.com).

## GET INVOLVED

With more than 350 different student organizations at SDSU, there's guaranteed to be something here for you! Associated Students (AS) is one of the largest student governing bodies in the CSU system. AS gives students the opportunity to get involved and to have their voices heard. Find out more about how to participate in student government by visiting [as.sdsu.edu](https://as.sdsu.edu), or learn more about student organizations by visiting [sll.sdsu.edu](https://sll.sdsu.edu).



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## RECREATION

### Workout 24-Hours

With over 400 pieces of weight training and cardio equipment, drop-in basketball and group fitness classes daily, and an indoor climbing wall, the Aztec Recreation Center (ARC) is the only university-run facility with 24-hour operation. Membership is included while you are a student at SDSU. Find out more at [arc.sdsu.edu](https://arc.sdsu.edu).

### Go for a Swim

Take advantage of San Diego's year-round beautiful weather at the Aztec Aquaplex. It features two large outdoor solar-heated pools, a 20-person spa and two full-service locker rooms. The Aquaplex is equipped with lounge chairs, lounge rafts, kickboards, pull buoys, and water basketballs and volleyballs. Visit the Aquaplex website at [arc.sdsu.edu/aquaplex](https://arc.sdsu.edu/aquaplex).

### Find Adventure

Challenge your physical and mental limits with classes and outdoor excursions through Aztec Adventures. Take credit classes and learn to climb, or become an outdoor leader. Find your adventure at [aztecadventures.sdsu.edu](https://aztecadventures.sdsu.edu).

### Attend Class Outside

Earn SDSU credit in kayaking, sailing, stand up paddling, surfing, wakeboarding, and windsurfing. Instructional and recreational water sports classes are offered at the Mission Bay Aquatic Center. Visit [mbaquaticcenter.com](https://mbaquaticcenter.com) to discover more about the center.



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# ATHLETICS

When you enroll at San Diego State, you become part of over 120 years of tradition. And no tradition is stronger than Aztec school spirit! San Diego State University claimed 47 team championships, including 40 Mountain West Championship titles, since the 2012-13 season. With that kind of athletic muscle, you will be proud to join the sea of red and black in the stands of every game. Sports are only one part of the college experience, but they have a unique way of bringing together our 33,000 students from across campus and over 400,000 alumni from around the world.

Currently enrolled SDSU students are admitted FREE for all regular season, home Aztec athletic events with a valid SDSU RedID card, while supplies last at [GoAztecs.com/StudentTickets](https://GoAztecs.com/StudentTickets). Share in the excitement of SDSU sports and our pride in being a top school for athletics in the west. Even better — the new Aztec Stadium is currently under construction and is projected to open fall 2022, so during your time at SDSU, you will have the opportunity to cheer for the Aztecs in a brand new stadium!



## DIVISION I TEAMS

### Men's Sports

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Football
- Golf
- Soccer
- Tennis

### Women's Sports

- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Golf
- Lacrosse
- Rowing
- Soccer
- Softball
- Swimming & Diving
- Tennis
- Track & Field
- Volleyball
- Water Polo

## INTRAMURAL/CLUB

Want to participate in sports on a competitive or recreational level? Join an intramural league with friends or sign up independently.

A variety of indoor and outdoor sports are offered throughout the year. Here's a sample:

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| ▪ Basketball     | ▪ Ski & Snowboard      |
| ▪ Cycling        | ▪ Surf                 |
| ▪ Dance          | ▪ Tennis               |
| ▪ Flag Football  | ▪ Triathlon            |
| ▪ Ice Hockey     | ▪ Ultimate Frisbee     |
| ▪ Lacrosse       | ▪ Volleyball           |
| ▪ Men's Crew     | ▪ Waterski & Wakeboard |
| ▪ Outdoor Soccer | ▪ Water Polo           |
| ▪ Rugby          |                        |

For a complete list of intramural sports, go to [arc.sdsu.edu/intramurals](https://arc.sdsu.edu/intramurals).

Visit [arc.sdsu.edu/sportclubs](https://arc.sdsu.edu/sportclubs) for a complete list of sport clubs.

# TIMELINE

## OCTOBER 1-DECEMBER 4

Apply online at [calstate.edu/apply](https://calstate.edu/apply)

## OCTOBER 1-MARCH 2

Apply for financial aid by filing the FAFSA at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov)

## DECEMBER

Set up SDSU WebPortal account at [sdsu.edu/portal](https://sdsu.edu/portal)

## JANUARY 22

Deadline for transfer applicants to submit the online SDSU Supplemental Application

## MARCH

Admission decisions available on the SDSU WebPortal at [sdsu.edu/portal](https://sdsu.edu/portal)

## MARCH 1

The Housing License Agreement is available

## MARCH

Explore SDSU Open House 2021  
[sdsu.edu/exploresdsu](https://sdsu.edu/exploresdsu)

## MAY 1

Deadline to submit the Intent to Enroll deposit, official transcripts, test scores, and the Housing License Agreement (if applicable)

## JUNE 30

Transfer deadline to submit final college transcripts, including spring grades

## JULY 15

Freshman deadline to submit final official transcripts, including spring grades

## JULY/AUGUST

New Student Orientation

## LATE AUGUST

Fall semester begins

# CONNECT

## SDSU.EDU/ADMISSIONS

Join us during virtual office hours and events. Visit [sdsu.edu/virtualvisits](https://sdsu.edu/virtualvisits) for more information.

## Applicants from California

[admissions@sdsu.edu](mailto:admissions@sdsu.edu)

## Applicants from other U.S. states

[prospective@sdsu.edu](mailto:prospective@sdsu.edu)

## International Applicants

[intladmission@sdsu.edu](mailto:intladmission@sdsu.edu)

## Request Information

Sign up to receive personalized information about admissions, including important deadlines and updates, and student life at [sdsu.edu/stayconnected](https://sdsu.edu/stayconnected).

## Social Media



Search: [SDSUA](https://sdsu.edu/admissions)admissions

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