Put your passion into action

There’s a reason our university’s motto is “Experientia Docet,” or experience teaches.

At San Francisco State University, we believe the best way for a student to learn is to jump in and get started. From your first steps on campus, you’ll be encouraged to speak up, step out and immerse yourself in all the opportunities that a San Francisco State University education can bring.

sfsu.edu/future
1,783 faculty
29,045 students
#1 most diverse large university in the US
77 majors
1st and only College of Ethnic Studies
828,355 community service hours
INNOVATION
Prefer to set trends rather than follow them? You've come to the right place. SF State established the first international relations degree in the United States. Our Poetry Center and American Poetry Archives are the first of their kind, as is our College of Ethnic Studies.

PASSIONATE FACULTY
SF State professors are passionate leaders in their fields and devoted teachers for their students. Whether it's Biology Professor John Hafernik, who discovered "zombie bees," or Guggenheim Fellow and queer, black cinema artist Assistant Professor Cheryl Dunye, San Francisco State's 1,783 faculty are shaping the conversation in the arts, culture, technology, health care and science.

THE J. PAUL LEONARD LIBRARY is your academic home on campus. With more than 45,000 visits in a typical week, its more than 1.5 million titles offer a massive world of information to explore. Combined with 200 computer workstations, 24-hour study areas and an in-library coffee shop, you've got a place that will really support your success.
MAKE A DIFFERENCE
At SF State you get credit for community service — in the cosmic sense and on your course transcript. We offer more than 500 courses that combine learning with volunteering in the surrounding community.

UNLIMITED POTENTIAL
SF State offers 77 degrees. Whatever you choose to study, you will learn from faculty experts who are dedicated to helping you develop your potential.

MOST POPULAR MAJORS

1. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
2. ENGINEERING
3. COMPUTER SCIENCE
4. BIOLOGY
5. CINEMA
6. ENGLISH
7. COMMUNICATION STUDIES
8. PSYCHOLOGY
9. BROADCAST AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION ARTS (BECA)
10. LIBERAL STUDIES
Located in what is often cited as America’s best city for quality of life, the SF State campus is situated on more than 144 acres in a quiet corner of southwestern San Francisco, just one mile from the Pacific Ocean.

Hop on Muni toward downtown or take the free SF State shuttle to BART (Bay Area Rapid Transit), and you’ve got access to all that San Francisco and the entire Bay Area have to offer.

SF State strikes an ideal balance between easy access to exciting urban life and calm spaces for study and contemplation.

Visit us anytime, in person or online:
sfsu.edu/outreach
Take a hike surrounded by giant redwoods.

Experience the largest Chinatown outside of Asia.

See the sights from a seat on the city’s fabled cable cars.

See postcard-worthy views of the Golden Gate Bridge.

Relive the ‘60s at the corner of Haight & Ashbury Streets.

Listen to slam poetry at the famed City Lights Bookstore.

Take a selfie at one of the most photographed locations in America.

Indulge your inner foodie at the historic Ferry Building.
MASCOT
THE GATOR (alligator). Selected by students in 1931, it was originally spelled with an “er” — Golden Gaters — a play on words to emphasize SF State’s location.

FOUNDED 1899

AFFILIATION
SF State is one of 23 campuses of the California State University, the largest four-year system of higher education in the country.

SCHOOL COLORS
PURPLE AND GOLD

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT ETHNICITY
White-Non Latino 20.7%
Asian American, Filipino 32.5%
Chicano, Mexican American 23.4%
Latino 11.1%
African American 5.4%
Two or More Races 6.3%
Pacific Islander .5%
American Indian/Alaska Native .2%

Freshmen who live on campus 45%

MOTTO
“Experientia Docet” (“Experience Teaches”)

DEGREES
Bachelor’s, Post-bachelor’s certificate,
Master’s, Post-master’s certificate,
Doctoral

ACADEMIC COLLEGES
Business
Education
Ethnic Studies
Health and Social Sciences
Liberal and Creative Arts
Science and Engineering

ATHLETICS
NCAA Division II, California Collegiate Athletic Association. Men: baseball, basketball, cross country, soccer and wrestling (Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference). Women: basketball, cross country, soccer, softball, track and field (indoor and outdoor) and volleyball.

ENROLLMENT
Undergraduate: 25,891
Graduate: 3,154
Total: 29,045
Women: 56.7%
Men: 43.7%

CAMPUS SIZE
Main campus: 144.1 acres
Romberg Tiburon Center: 42.1 acres
Sierra Nevada Field Campus: approx. 7.5 acres
Downtown Campus: approx. 125,000 sq. ft.
SF State is overflowing with vibrant life everywhere you go.

In fact, sometimes it gets downright noisy. Each weekday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Malcolm X Plaza is at the center of it all. Grab a sandwich or a bubble tea in the Cesar Chavez Student Center and gather with friends to take in the scene — the sights and sounds of a bustling campus where students gather to share their passions through dance, demonstrations and even protests all year long.

Golden Gate Xpress, the student-run newspaper, is an independent information source for the campus and greater Bay Area.

Student activities include workshops, career fairs, concerts, arts and culture events, spirit days, movie nights and more.

Whatever your interest or preferred sport, there’s a student organization dedicated to it. Among the more than 200 on-campus clubs: the Gospel Gators, Model U.N., the Gaming Guild, the Cinema Collective, Ultimate Frisbee at SFSU and the International Business Society.

For lunch during the academic year, food trucks offer an extra-wide variety of dining options.
the Mashouf Wellness Center is an exciting, state-of-the-art, 118,700-square-foot facility sporting a wide variety of fitness and recreation features, including a climbing wall, running track, swimming pools, multi-purpose field and basketball courts. Learn more at dos.sfsu.edu/mwc.
From San Francisco State University, our graduates can go anywhere. That's why SF State was ranked in the top 25 for U.S. universities on PayScale and CollegeNet’s Social Mobility Index. That means we’re among the best at making it affordable for our students to graduate and obtain good paying jobs.

In fact, SF State is consistently one of the top feeder schools for employees at Apple, Kaiser Permanente, Wells Fargo, San Francisco Unified School District, Genentech, Oracle, Google and the City and County of San Francisco. Our alumni are leaders in fields from journalism, creative writing and cinema to technology, science, business, government and education.

Meet more of our notable alumni at gatorgreats.sfsu.edu

“I feel very prepared graduating from San Francisco State. I feel the most confident I’ve felt in my entire life”

Richard Polote (B.A., ’16)

Jose Antonio Vargas (B.A., ’04) Journalist and documentary filmmaker (“White People“)

Jonas Rivera (B.A., ’96) Pixar film producer, Oscar winner
Yvonne Cagle (B.A., ’81) NASA astronaut, physician

Stephen Gillett (M.B.A., ’06) Senior leader working on moonshots at Google[x], Chipotle board of directors

Jeffrey Tambor (B.A., ’65) Emmy and Golden Globe-winning actor

Mu Sochua (B.A., ’79) Human rights activist, Nobel Peace Prize nominee

Ernest J. Gaines (B.A., ’57) Nobel- and Pulitzer Prize-nominated author of "A Lesson Before Dying"

Jody Vandergriff (M.S., ’08) Co-founder of digital asset management pioneer WebDAM

Willie L. Brown, Jr. (B.A., ’55) Former Assembly speaker and San Francisco mayor

Jayshree Ullal (B.A., ’81) CEO and president of Arista Networks, #30 on the Forbes list “America’s Richest Self-Made Women”
**Accessing an SF State Education**

**Dream Resource Center**
The Dream Resource Center provides support to incoming, AB540 and/or undocumented students, as well as students from mixed-status families. Some of the services the Dream Resource Center offers include legal referrals, scholarship opportunities and financial literacy support, career development, AB 540 residency support, Dream Aid assistance, information about housing and food insecurity resources, educational workshops, and community outreach. For more information, visit undocugators.sfsu.edu

**Disability Resources**
The Disability Programs and Resource Center collaborates with SF State's diverse community to ensure that all aspects of campus life — learning, working and living — are universally accessible. Students with disabilities who need services or admission assistance should contact the Disability Programs and Resource Center at access.sfsu.edu.

**Educational Opportunity Program**
The Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) supports low-income, first-generation college students. EOP students receive ongoing advising, tutoring and workshops to help them succeed in their coursework and graduate.

Eligible California residents and AB540 students are encouraged to apply. To be considered for EOP, complete the EOP questions on the CSU application. For more information on EOP at SF State, visit sfsu.edu/~eop.

**In the program, you can access:**
- **Advising:** Work closely with an advisor to achieve academic and personal goals.
- **Tutoring:** Access personal tutors and group tutoring sessions.
- **Mentoring:** Engage with peers, faculty and staff in active and experiential learning.
- **Grants and scholarships:** Receive grants based on need or apply for scholarships that recognize your potential.

**Additional EOP programs include:**
- **Summer Bridge:** An eight-week non-residential academic program that assists the transition from high school to university.
- **Guardian Scholars Program:** A support program for current and former foster youth to help in attaining college degrees, stable housing and career path employment.
- **Student Support Services — TRIO:** The federal TRIO program is designed to increase retention and graduation rates through mandatory advising, tutorials and workshops.

**Metro Academies College Success Program**
The Metro Academies College Success Program (Metro) was developed to support the next generation of leaders in urban communities. Each Metro Academy is a “school within a school” to give students an educational home in the first two years of college. Metro provides personalized support for college success through in-class academic support and tutoring. At the core of Metro is a learning community made up of two linked courses each semester, pairing a general education course and a Metro course. In Metro, students will build a solid foundation for college success and meaningful work in a variety of careers. To apply, visit metro.sfsu.edu.

**Project Rebound**
Project Rebound is a special admissions program assisting formerly incarcerated individuals who might not normally qualify for university acceptance because of application deadlines and minor academic deficiencies. This program is supported by the Associated Students and many other departments at SF State. For more information, visit asi.sfsu.edu/programs/project-rebound.

**California Promise**
Eligible freshmen and transfer students are invited to take the California Promise pledge early in the first semester. For students committed to graduating in a timely manner, the California Promise program provides access to specialized advising and guaranteed course availability for students who maintain eligibility. For more information about eligibility and participation, visit ueap.sfsu.edu/california-promise-program.
Scholarships and Financial Aid

San Francisco State University offers several forms of public and private financial aid including scholarships, fellowships, grants, work-study programs and loans.

Students may be eligible for need-based grants or one of hundreds of scholarships made possible by generous donations from alumni and friends of the University.
Applying from High School

You are eligible if you:

- Graduate from high school (diploma or GED).
- Complete the required college preparatory courses (requirements A-G) with a grade of C- or better. (See Table 1.)
- Submit SAT or ACT scores (tests completed no later than December) and meet or exceed the CSU Eligibility Index. (See Table 2.)

English and Math Readiness

Academic readiness and placement will be determined by a variety of factors, which may include test scores (CAASPP, SAT, ACT, AP, IB), GPA and senior-year coursework. The Entry Level Math Exam (ELM) and the English Placement Test (EPT) are no longer required. However, all entering freshmen are required to complete Directed Self Placement (DSP) before registering for their required First-Year Composition (FYC) course. Please see developmentalstudies.sfsu.edu for updates to English and math readiness requirements during the year.

Table 1: College preparatory courses, requirements A-G

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<td>History &amp; Social Science (including one year of U.S. history and one semester of civics or American government and one year of social science)</td>
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<td>B</td>
<td>English</td>
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<td>C</td>
<td>Math (algebra, geometry, intermediate algebra or higher)</td>
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<td>D</td>
<td>Laboratory Science (one physical and one biological)</td>
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<td>E</td>
<td>Language other than English (same language)</td>
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<td>F</td>
<td>Visual &amp; Performing Arts</td>
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<td>G</td>
<td>College preparatory elective (chosen from the school’s A-G course list)</td>
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Applying as a Transfer Student

Requirements for Upper-Division Transfer Students (Junior/Senior-Level):

Transfer students must have completed at least 60 semester (90 quarter) transferable units. All required courses for admission must be completed in the semester before transferring. Summer course work does not meet fall admission requirements.

General Education (GE)

Transfer students must have completed at least 30 semester (45 quarter) units of GE courses with a grade C- or better, including the four subjects listed below.

- Written Communication (Area A2): a freshman English composition course.
- Critical Thinking (Area A3): a course in logic or critical thinking. (Engineering majors are exempt from the critical thinking requirement.)
- Quantitative Reasoning (Area B4): a math course with intermediate algebra as a prerequisite.

Grade Point Average (GPA)

A student must have a minimum overall GPA of 2.0. Applicants applying for an impacted major are offered admission based on overall space availability and may be held to a higher GPA standard.
Tools for Transferring

Pre-Admission Advising
Pre-admission advising for prospective transfer students is available on select dates at California community colleges through your Transfer Center. Advising is also available by phone, email, and appointment at the SF State campus. Contact us at sfsu.edu/outreach.

ASSIST.org
Be sure that courses you take will count for your major by checking with ASSIST.org, an online transfer student information system, or your Transfer Center.

CSU GE Breadth Sheet
CSU GE Breadth Sheet helps determine which classes transfer and count toward GE and admission requirements. See your counselor or Transfer Center for a copy.

GE Certification
If you are at a California community college and have courses from other U.S. colleges, obtain a GE certification from your counselor or Transfer Center to ensure all your lower-division GE courses are completed.

Impacted Majors
A major is designated impacted when more applications are received per application period than can be accepted. Some majors require a supplemental application and additional requirements for consideration. Check admissions.sfsu.edu/impaction and department websites for details.

Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT)
Students who earn an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) will receive admission to a CSU campus with junior status. Students who pursue a B.S. or B.A. in a program deemed “similar” to their transfer degree can complete the degree by taking no more than 60 units at the CSU. An ADT may also provide a GPA advantage when applying to an impacted campus outside your local area or an impacted major that is deemed similar.

ADT Roadmaps
Major departments at SF State have created degree roadmaps to show a sample pathway for a student who has earned an AA-T or AS-T degree in a similar major. Visit SF State’s ADT Pathways and Roadmaps page for more information: ueap.sfsu.edu/articulation/roadmaps.

Official transcripts should be sent when notified by Admissions. Send transcripts and all official documents to:
  Office of Undergraduate Admissions
  San Francisco State University
  1600 Holloway Ave.
  San Francisco, CA 94132

Accepting Your Admission Offer
Between April 1 and May 1, visit gateway.sfsu.edu to notify the University that you plan to attend, pay the $100 non-refundable Enrollment Confirmation Deposit and register for Orientation. Class registration occurs at the end of each Orientation session.

Undergraduate University Fees

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<td>California residents: 1-6 Units</td>
<td>$2,423</td>
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<td>6.1 or more Units</td>
<td>$3,629</td>
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<td>Non-California residents, add $372 per unit to fees listed above.</td>
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Note: All fees are subject to change without advance notice by the Trustees of the CSU system. Current fees are listed at http://bursar.sfsu.edu/students_services.

Undergraduate Full-Time Attendance (Two Semesters) Off/On Campus

| Books and Supplies                  | $1,948 |
| Meals and Housing                   | $14,502 |
| Personal Expenses                   | $1,450 |
| Transportation                      | $1,565 |

Living at Home

| Books and Supplies                  | $1,948 |
| Meals and Housing                   | $5,247 |
| Personal Expenses                   | $1,450 |
| Transportation                      | $1,565 |

Financial Aid & Scholarships
You may be eligible for several types of financial aid.
To apply, complete the free application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) before March 2. This deadline applies to students entering in spring as well.

FAFSA: fafsa.ed.gov
SF State FAFSA CODE: 001154
students apply at caldreamact.org.
sfsu.edu/~finaid/scholarships

For more information on financial aid, visit sfsu.edu/~finaid.

Housing
Applications and License Agreements to live on campus for the 2018-19 academic year will be available online starting March 1, 2018, at housing.sfsu.edu. An initial payment is required. Housing is assigned on a first-come, first-served basis based on the date the student's application, License Agreement and initial payment are received.

Mary Ward and Mary Park Halls: Furnished double occupancy for first-time freshmen students.

The Towers at Centennial Square Apartments & Junior Suites: Furnished one- and two-bedroom apartments and junior suites in living/learning and theme communities for first-time freshmen students.

University Park North and South Apartments: Furnished and unfurnished two- or three-bedroom apartments accommodating returning and upper-division students.

The Village at Centennial Square: Furnished two- and three-bedroom apartments accommodating new and returning students.

For details about on and off-campus housing, visit housing.sfsu.edu.

After You Apply
You will receive confirmation of your application with your assigned San Francisco State Student ID Number via email within approximately 10 business days of submission. SF State will communicate admissions decisions, deadlines and other important information via email. Check your application status online at gateway.sfsu.edu, and remember to check your email often for important admissions messages from SF State.
“Experience Teaches” isn’t just SF State’s motto.

It’s key to our approach to education. Field work, community projects and internships make learning come alive while giving you an advantage in the job market after graduation.
Majors

Africana Studies
American Indian Studies
American Studies
Anthropology
Apparel Design & Merchandising*
Applied Mathematics
Art
  Art Education
  Art History
  Studio Art
  Art History and Studio Art
Asian American Studies
Biochemistry*
Biology (General)*
Biology w/concentration*
  Botany
  Cell & Molecular Ecology
  Marine Biology & Limnology
  Microbiology
  Physiology
  Zoology
Broadcast and Electronic Communication Arts (BECA)
Business Administration
  Accounting*
  Business Administration
  Decision Sciences
  Finance
  Information Systems
  International Business Management
  Marketing
Chemistry*
Child & Adolescent Development*
  Early Childhood
  School Age Child & Family
  Youth Work & Out of School Time
Chinese
  Chinese Language
  Chinese Literature & Linguistics
  Flagship Chinese Language
Cinema (Film)
  Classics
  Communication Studies
  Communicative Disorders
  Comparative Literature
  Computer Science
  Criminal Justice Studies
  Dance
  Dietetics*
  Drama (Theatre Arts)
Earth Sciences
  Economics
  Engineering
  Civil
  Computer
  Electrical
  Mechanical
English
  Creative Writing
  English Education
  Individual Major Linguistics
  Literature
Environmental Sciences
Environmental Studies*
  Environmental Studies
  Natural Resource Management and Conservation
Family & Consumer Sciences
French
Geography
German
Health Education*
History
  Honors Program
Hospitality & Tourism Management
Humanities
  Industrial Design*
    Product Design & Development
  Interior Design
  International Relations
  Italian
  Japanese
  Jewish Studies, Modern
  Journalism
    Photojournalism
    Print and Online Journalism
Kinesiology*
  Exercise & Movement Sciences
  Physical Education
Labor & Employment Studies
Latina/Latino Studies
Liberal Studies
Mathematics Studies
  Advanced Studies
  Liberal Arts
  Teaching
Music
Nursing*
Philosophy
Philosophy & Religion
Physics
  Astronomy
  Astrophysics
  Physics for Teaching
Political Science
Psychology*
Recreation, Parks & Tourism Administration
Social Work*
Sociology*
Spanish
Special Major
Statistics
Technical & Professional Writing
Urban Studies & Planning
Visual Communication Design*
Women & Gender Studies

(*) Indicates a highly competitive admission process, also known as impacted. Learn more at admissions.sfsu.edu/impaction.
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asi.sfsu.edu/programs/project-rebound

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