Welcome to
SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY

SET IN ONE OF THE WORLD’S MOST BEAUTIFUL and diverse cities, the SF State campus features a vibrant mix of people, cultures and languages in a quiet corner of San Francisco just 1.6 km from the Pacific Ocean.

“I’ve grown independent here and already made friends from ten different countries. Professors are not only professors, they are masters in their fields. Friendly people, courses well taught, and a high-quality education without the Ivy League cost.”

— Deepali Mahajan, India

“SF State has helped me develop a lot of skills like socializing with many people from different places. The professors have helped me grow as a person. I have to say my dream came true and now I am right here in the heart of San Francisco. It’s a second home to me.”

— Alvin Liew, Malaysia

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PUT YOUR PASSION

PASSIONATE FACULTY
SF State professors are passionate leaders in their fields and devoted teachers for their students. Our 1,728 faculty are shaping the conversation in the arts, technology, education, healthcare and science.

ACCOMPLISHED ALUMNI
SF State is a top provider of employees to Bay Area companies like Apple, Google, Facebook and Genentech. Our graduates account for more than 23,000 jobs in San Francisco alone.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE
Founded in 1899 and now part of the California State University system, SF State is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).
TOP 10 MAJORS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

1. Business Administration
2. Engineering
3. Computer Science
4. International Relations
5. Biology
6. Education/TESOL
7. Broadcasting & Electronic Communication Arts (BECA)
8. Cinema
9. Psychology
10. Communication Studies

SF STATE DISTINCTIONS

First International Relations department at a U.S. university

First and only College of Ethnic Studies in U.S.

A top film school in the U.S. — Hollywood Reporter

#3 university for diversity — Wall Street Journal

“Best Colleges that Add the Most Value” — Money magazine

Top 5% of business schools globally — AACSB International accreditation

Graduate College of Education graduates highest paid in U.S. — USA Today

SF State alumni have won 10 Pulitzers, 16 Oscars, 47 Emmys, 10 Grammys, 12 Tonys

10 faculty winners of National Science Foundation’s most prestigious awards

Pioneer in discovery of 500+ planets outside our solar system

Awarded most Gilman Scholarships in the U.S. to study abroad

INTO ACTION
Enrollment
Undergraduate students: 26,815
Graduate students: 3,441
International students: 1,604
Total students: 30,256

Office of International Programs
We’ll help you adjust to your new life as an F-1 visa student. Our advisors are multilingual and sensitive to the needs of international students.
Website: oip.sfsu.edu
Email: oip@sfsu.edu
Phone: +1.415.338.1293

American Language Institute (ALI)
ALI is one of the oldest and most respected English-language programs in the U.S.
› English-language instruction for academic success
› Conditional admission letter to academic degree programs
› TOEFL preparation
Website: ali.sfsu.edu
Email: ali@sfsu.edu
Phone: +1.415.338.1438

Sports
NCAA II, CCAA and RMAC Conferences
Men: basketball, baseball, cross country, soccer, wrestling
Women: basketball, cross country, softball, track and field, soccer, volleyball
Website: sfstategators.com

Housing
SF State offers several on-campus housing options. Housing application period begins March 1.
Website: housing.sfsu.edu
Email: housing@sfsu.edu
Phone: +1.415.338.1067

Financial Assistance
For a complete list of scholarships offered to international students, visit oip.sfsu.edu/financialassistance. Graduate students should contact academic departments to learn more about assistantships offered.

Admission Contact Information
International Undergraduate Admissions
Website: sfsu.edu/future/apply/international.html
Email: ugintl@sfsu.edu
Phone: +1.415.338.2382

International Graduate Admissions
Website: grad.sfsu.edu
Email: intlgrad@sfsu.edu
Phone: +1.415.405.4005

Meet us at: oip.sfsu.edu/future

“I love my professors and the time they spend with you, the educational quality. They keep pushing you and it’s very personalized with tools to help you succeed in your career. It would be difficult to find this at another school.”
— Mariela Gonzalez, Venezuela

“There are a lot of opportunities to connect with people at tech companies like Facebook and Google. There’s a big community for job hunting and finding your dream that you won’t find at another university.”
— Yoshiko Mizoguchi, Japan
Undergraduate Bachelor’s Degree

› Complete a secondary/high school curriculum that totals 12 years of primary-secondary education; earn a graduation diploma or certificate.
› Official transcripts and certificates/diplomas showing proof of graduation must be in the original language of issue; submit certified English translation for non-English documents.
› Grades/marks/scores should be a minimum 2.5 (B-) Grade Point Average (GPA) in the 4.0 grading scale for admission purposes; or
› International Baccalaureate (IB) Scores & Credit minimum 4.5 on IB grading scale for years 10-12; or
› IGCSE (O-Levels) & GCE (AS/A-Levels): Exam results certificate; “Candidate’s Statement of Results” is not accepted. Highest level exam for each subject is used for evaluation. Earn a passing grade in at least 5 distinct subjects and a minimum 2.5 (B-) GPA

› Subject Credit may be awarded for AS/A-Level exams and IB Higher Level exams.
› Transfer credit from accredited colleges/universities is given upon SF State evaluation of transcripts.
› Some majors may require a higher GPA.
› Minimum TOEFL iBT 61, IELTS 6.0 or PTE 45.
› Undergraduate Application Filing Periods:

   Fall Semester (August – December)
   Apply: October 1 – May 1
   Spring Semester (January – May)
   Apply: August 1 – September 30

Some majors have earlier deadlines and additional admission requirements

Graduate/Post-Graduate (Master’s, Ph.D., Ed.D. degrees)

› Hold a degree or diploma that SF State considers to be equivalent to a U.S. bachelor’s degree from a government-recognized or regionally accredited institution.
› Official transcripts (academic record) from all colleges/universities attended; an official academic document is a verification of your academic record issued directly from the institution.
› Official transcripts and certificates/diplomas must be in the original language of issue; submit certified English translation for non-English documents.
› Minimum average of grades/marks/scores should be a minimum 3.0 (B) grade point average (GPA) in the 4.0 grading scale; some majors require a higher GPA.

› Minimum TOEFL iBT 80, IELTS 7.0 or PTE 65; some majors require higher scores.
› Certain majors require GRE or GMAT scores.
› Personal statement and letters of recommendation.
› Graduate Application Filing Periods:

   Fall Semester (August – December)
   Apply beginning October 1
   Spring Semester (January – May)
   Apply beginning August 1

Admission requirements and deadlines vary for the different majors; check the Graduate Studies website: grad.sfsu.edu program-deadline-intl.

Apply online at calstate.edu/apply
Application Fee: $55
Submit Financial Affidavit showing tuition/fees and cost of living for one year (subject to change):

Cost of Living: $21,265
Undergraduate Tuition/Fees for one academic year: $16,762
Graduate Tuition/fees for one academic year: $15,028
LIST OF DEGREE PROGRAMS

ACCOUNTANCY .................................................. MS
AFRICANA STUDIES ........................................ BA
AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES ......................... BA
AMERICAN STUDIES .......................................... BA
ANTHROPOLOGY ............................................... BA/MA
APPAREL DESIGN / MERCHANDISING .............. BS
APPLIED MATHEMATICS ...................................... BS
ART .............................................................. BA
Art Education | Art History | Art History & Studio
Art | Studio Art
ART .......................................................... MA/MFA
ASIAN AMERICAN STUDIES ......................... BA/MA
ATMOSPHERIC & OCEANIC SCIENCES ............... BS
Meteorology | Oceanography
BIOCHEMISTRY ............................................. BS
BIOLOGY ......................................................... BA
Biology
BIOLOGY ......................................................... BS
Botany I Cell & Molecular Biology | Ecology I Marine Biology | Limnology | Microbiology
Classical Biology | Zoology
BIOLOGY ........................................................ MS
BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE ...................................... BS
Biotechnology | Stem Cell Science
BROADCAST & ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION ARTS ......... BA/MA
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION ................................ BS
Accounting | Decision Sciences | Finance
Information Systems | International Business
Management | Marketing
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION ......................... MBA/MS
CHEMISTRY ....................................................... BA/BS
CHEMISTRY ....................................................... MS
Biochemistry
CHILD & ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT .......... BA
Early Childhood | Policy, Advocacy & Systems
School Age Child & Family | Youth Work & Out of School Time
CHINESE ....................................................... BA/MA
CINEMA ....................................................... BA/MA
CINEMA STUDIES .............................................. MA
CIVIL ENGINEERING .......................................... BS
CLASSICS ....................................................... BA/MA
COMMUNICATION STUDIES ......................... BA/MA
COMMUNICATIVE DISORDERS ....................... BA/MA
COMPARATIVE LITERATURE .............................. BA/MA
COMPUTER ENGINEERING ................................ BS
COMPUTER SCIENCE .......................................... BS
Computer Science
COMPUTER SCIENCE .......................................... BS
Computing and Business | Computing for Life
Sciences | Software Engineering
COUNSELING ..................................................... MS
Marriage, Family & Child Counseling
CREATIVE WRITING ......................................... MFA
CRIMINAL JUSTICE STUDIES ......................... BA
DANCE .......................................................... MA
DESIGN ....................................................... MA/BS
DENTISTRY ...................................................... BS
DRAMA ........................................................ BA/MA
EARTH SCIENCES ........................................... BA
ECONOMICS .................................................. BA/MA
EDUCATION ................................................... MA
Adult Education | Early Childhood Education
Educational Administration | Elementary Education | Equity & Social Justice in Education
Instructional Technologies | Language & Literacy
Instructional Technology Mathematics Education | Secondary Education | Special Interest Area
EDUCATION ................................................... PhD
Special Ed joint w/UCB
EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP P-12 & CC ....... EdD
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING ............................. BS
Embedded Electrical & Computer Systems
Energy Systems | Structural/Earthquake Engineering
ENGLISH ........................................................ BA
Creative Writing | English Education | Individual Major | Linguistics | Literature
ENGLISH ....................................................... MA
Composition | Creative Writing | Linguistics | Literature | TESOL
ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES ............................... BS
Earth System Sciences | Natural Resource
Management & Conservation
ETHNIC STUDIES ............................................. MA
FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES ..................... BA/MA
FRENCH ......................................................... BA/MA
FRENCH ......................................................... MA
GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SCIENCE ............ BS
GEOGRAPHY ................................................... BA/MA
Resource Management & Environmental Planning
GEOL OGY ....................................................... BS
GEOSCIENCES ................................................ MS
GERMAN ......................................................... BA/MA
GERONTOLOGY ............................................... MA
HEALTH EDUCATION ....................................... BS
HISTORY ......................................................... BA
Honor's Program
HISTORY ........................................................ MA
HOSPITALITY & TOURISM MANAGEMENT ....... BS
HUMAN SEXUALITY STUDIES ......................... MA
HUMANITIES .................................................. BA/MA
INDUSTRIAL DESIGN ....................................... BS/MA
INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES ....................... MA/MS
INTERIOR DESIGN ........................................... MA/MS
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS ....................... BA/MA
ITALIAN ......................................................... BA/MA
JAPANESE ....................................................... BA/MA
JOURNALISM ................................................... BA
Photojournalism | Print & Online Journalism
KINESIOLOGY ................................................ BS
Exercise & Movement Sciences | Physical Education
KINESIOLOGY ................................................ MS
LABOR & EMPLOYMENT STUDIES ................. BA
LATINA/LATINO STUDIES ................................. BA
LIBERAL STUDIES ........................................... BA
MARINE SCIENCE ........................................... MS
MATHEMATICS ................................................ BA
Mathematics for Advanced Studies | Mathematics
for Liberal Arts | Mathematics for Teaching
MATHEMATICS .............................................. BA/MA
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING ......................... BS
MODERN JEWISH STUDIES ............................. BA
MUSEUM STUDIES ........................................... MA
MUSIC .......................................................... BA/MA/MM
NURSING ...................................................... MS
Family Nurse Practitioner
NURSING (ALSO APO NURSING) ....................... BS
PHILOSOPHY ................................................... BA/MA
PHILOSOPHY & RELIGION ............................... BA
PHYSICAL THERAPY JOINT UCSC ................... DPT
PHYSICAL THERAPY SCIENCE ......................... JOINT W/UCSF
PHYSICS ....................................................... BA
Astronomy
PHYSICS ....................................................... BS
Astrophysics | Physics for Teaching
PHYSICS ....................................................... MA
Astronomy
POLITICAL SCIENCE ......................................... BA/MA
PSYCHOLOGY ................................................... BA
PSYCHOLOGY ................................................... MA
Developmental Psychology | Mind, Brain & Behavior | Social Psychology
PSYCHOLOGY ................................................... MS
Clinical Psychology | Industrial/Organizational Psychology | School Psychology
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION ............................... MPA
PUBLIC HEALTH ............................................. MPH
RECREATION, PARKS & TOURISM ...................... BS/MS
REHABILITATION COUNSELING ....................... MS
SOCIAL WORK .............................................. BA/MSW
SOCIOLOGY ..................................................... BA
SPANISH ....................................................... BA/MA
SPECIAL EDUCATION ....................................... MA
SPECIAL MAJOR ............................................. BA
STATISTICS ..................................................... BS
TECHNICAL & PROFESSIONAL WRITING .......... BA
THEATRE ARTS ................................................ MFA
Design | Technical Production
URBAN STUDIES & PLANNING ....................... BA
VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS DESIGN .............. BS
WOMEN & GENDER STUDIES ......................... BA/MA

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