Summer Session 2015
Student Frequently Asked Questions

• Why should I enroll in Summer Session?
  o Fulfill pre-requisites and GE requirements before semester conversion. The University encourages students to complete as many GE and major course sequence requirements before semesters begin in Fall 2016.
  o Take online courses that fit your schedule
  o Tuition is only $248/unit for both resident and non-resident students. Plus, you pay no campus student fees.
  o Financial Aid may be available to continuing Cal State L.A. students enrolled in at least 6 units.
  o Catch up or get ahead by enrolling in high demand courses.
  o Take accelerated courses.
  o Taking Summer Session courses means more flexibility for electives during regular sessions (Fall, Winter, Spring).
  o Generally speaking, class sizes are smaller.

• How will I know if a class is being offered in the Summer Session?

Both state support and self-support courses will be listed in the schedule of classes in GET. To differentiate between the two offerings take note of the Section listed for the course. State supported courses will be listed as Section 01, 02, 03, etc. Summer session courses will be listed as Section 80, 81, 82, etc.

• How and when will students register?

Students will register and pay their fees using GET and follow university policies and processes as they would in any other term. Registration for Summer 2015 will begin on April 28, 2015. Students should check GET for their appointment date and time. The full schedule of classes will be available on GET during the week of April 20, 2015. The registration times and schedules will be the same as for any other quarter. Please visit the Schedule of Classes Information website for detailed dates and instructions.

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- **Do I have to meet course prerequisites for Summer Session courses?**
  
  Yes.

- **What will be the cost of tuition for Summer Session courses?**
  
  The cost for Summer Session courses (resident and non-resident) will be $248.00 per unit - undergraduate, graduate, and credential. Examples of total fees that students will pay are:

  One 4-unit self-support course: 4 units x $248.00 = $992.00
  Two 4-unit self-support courses: 8 units x $248.00 = $1,984

  *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 initial fee payments are made, to increase or modify any listed fee, 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.*

- **What fees will I pay if I take both a state support course and a Summer Session self-support course?**
  
  State support courses will be offered on the regular schedule with tuition and fees based on whether a student enrolls part-time (taking 6 or fewer units) or full-time (more than 6 units), and students taking state support courses will pay the usual campus-based mandatory fees. Thus, students who take a combination of state support and self-support courses will pay separately for each. For more information on the difference in fees, please visit the PaGE website.

- **Why are instructional fees different in Summer Session?**
  
  When classes are offered through the regular state support schedule the total costs, including faculty compensation, are covered by the state general fund as well as student tuition. When a class is offered in Summer Session, there is no state funding at all. Student fees must cover all direct and indirect expenses associated with offering the class and services.

  For summer sessions (courses that begin with section 80), no campus fees will be assessed. However, course and lab fees will be assessed according to currently approved policies.
• **Will financial aid be available for Summer Session courses?**

Yes, students can apply for federal aid (Pell grants), Direct Loans, and private loans toward the cost of their Summer Session coursework. You must complete a 2015-2016 FAFSA to receive aid for Summer 2015. Students must be regularly matriculated students, enrolled in at least half time (6 units), and in good academic standing with the University to be eligible for funding. Students must also complete the Summer Financial Aid Form at the [Center for Student Financial Aid](#)’s website and meet the eligibility requirements listed there. The form will be available online in mid-April 2015. State University Grants cannot be applied to Summer Session courses.

• **Who may take Summer Session courses?**

Cal State L.A. students, students from other campuses, members of the community, and international students. No student in a state-supported degree, credential, or credit certificate program can be required to take self-support courses to complete their programs. Self-support courses are an option that can be an advantage to students. In that light, when scheduling Summer Session, no course required for completion of a state-funded degree, credential or certificate program can be offered only in the Summer Session – there must also be an option to take the courses in the state-support fall, winter and/or spring quarter.

• **What are the add/drop policies?**

Summer Sessions follow University add/drop/procedure/deadlines/refund proration as in any other quarter. Please visit the [Schedule of Classes](#) Information website, click on Summer 2015, and review the important dates tabs on the top left corner.

• **Can students concurrently enroll in a community college and receive tuition waivers or reduced tuition in Summer Session?**

Waivers and/or reduced tuition are not applicable in self-support Summer Session.