Admission to the Graduate Programs is a two layer process. Students must be admitted to the University and also satisfy the College’s requirements for admission to graduate programs.

Graduate applicants must meet all of the following requirements for admission consideration.

1. Must possess a four-year bachelor’s degree (or its U.S. equivalent) from a recognized institution of higher education.
2. Must be in good academic standing at the last college or university attended.
3. Must have a minimum 2.5 grade point average (A=4.0) in the last 90 quarter units (60 semester units) attempted.

Department Application
Graduate applicants must contact their major department and submit the department application by its deadline. A list of departments can be found at www.calstatela.edu/academic/aa/dcc/dept.php.

TRANSFER ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

You must complete a minimum of 60 semester (90 quarter) transferable units prior to transfer.

- Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 in transferable units.
- Be in good standing at your current college or university.
- Completed or will complete 30 semester units (45 quarter units) with a “C” or better in general education (GE) units prior to transfer.

The 30 semester units must include the “Golden Four” courses:

1. Oral Communication
2. English Composition
3. Critical Thinking
4. College-Level Mathematics

Transfer units must be completed by the end of:
- Spring term prior to Fall
- Summer term prior to entering for Winter
- Fall term prior to entering for Spring

For more information visit: www.calstatela.edu/international

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

Undergraduates:
- TOEFL iBT: 61 or higher (CSULA code: 4399)
- IELTS: Band 5.5 or higher
- PTE: 44 or higher

Exemptions:
1. Six (6) terms of enrollment at U.S. school; or
2. Six (6) terms of instruction at foreign institution where English is the sole medium of instruction.

Graduates:
- TOEFL iBT: 80 or higher (CSULA code: 4399)
- IELTS: Band 6 or higher
- PTE: 53 or higher
- TESOL program applicants: TOEFL (100ibt); IELTS (7.5)

All graduate and postbaccalaureate applicants, regardless of citizenship, whose preparatory education was principally in a language other than English, must demonstrate competence in English. Those who do not possess a bachelor’s degree from a postsecondary institution where English is the principal language of instruction must complete and submit satisfactory English proficiency exam scores, or a statement verifying English as the medium of instruction will be required from the institution.

- Some programs may require higher scores. Please visit www.calstatela.edu/international for details.

IMPACTED MAJORS

Program impaction means that the number of applications from fully eligible students to a designated major far exceeds the number of spaces available in that major. However, students can still be admitted to the major if they meet the supplementary admission criteria.

For specific information regarding the supplemental admissions criteria for each impacted major, please visit www.calstatela.edu/univ/admiss/impaction/.

International students must apply within the domestic application deadline to be considered. Please note the domestic application deadline is much earlier.
### Once You Have Applied

1. Print your CSUMentor confirmation code as your receipt.
2. Upon notification from Cal State L.A., regularly check your application status and To-Do List on Golden Eagle Territory (GET).
3. Read your email on a DAILY basis. All communications will be via email, including the acceptance letter. Always check your junk mailbox. Add International Office email to your contacts.
4. Send in the required supporting documents to Admissions by the deadlines: [www.calstatela.edu/univ/admiss/deadlines/](http://www.calstatela.edu/univ/admiss/deadlines/)
5. Send the Affidavit of Support with financial support documents and copy of passport biographical papers to the International Office.

### Once You Have Been Admitted

- Acceptance letter is sent via email only. Hard copy letter will be provided only by special request to the Admissions Office.
- Submit by the deadline (undergraduates only) the Enrollment Confirmation Deposit (ECD).
- Register for the mandatory International Student Orientation (All F-1 and J-1 students)
- Both the ECD and Orientation fees are non-refundable.
- Visit the International Office website for pre-arrival to do list.
- Create myCSULA account at [https://id.calstatela.edu](https://id.calstatela.edu)

### Scholarships

- CSULA Scholarship Office: [www.calstatela.edu/univ/finaid/scholar.php](http://www.calstatela.edu/univ/finaid/scholar.php)
- Consult with your specific academic department for department/major specific scholarships
- International Graduate Student Tuition Waiver: [www.calstatela.edu/academic/aa/gsr/cal_la/form/form.html](http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/aa/gsr/cal_la/form/form.html)

### University Housing Services

Living on campus is the ultimate way to experience Cal State L.A., as you will find plenty of opportunities to expand your academic knowledge, build friendships and explore the diverse campus culture. Apply EARLY as space is limited.

### Sevis Check-in

All F-1/J-1 international students admitted to Cal State L.A. (including students from another U.S. institution) must report to the International Office no later than the first week of classes during the first term at CSULA. You must bring the original CSULA I-20, previous I-20 (if any), passport and I-94 card to the International Office.

### Who is an International Student?

An international student is one who holds a visa status in the U.S. You must use this application even transferring from a U.S. school. Legal Permanent Residents and U.S. citizens with academic credit from overseas will complete a domestic application.

### International Student Orientation

Attendance is required for all new F-1/J-1 students entering CSULA, including students coming from another U.S. institution. Please visit the International Office website for updated information: [www.calstatela.edu/international](http://www.calstatela.edu/international). All other visa students are welcome to sign up for this orientation.

### Important Phone Numbers/Websites

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### From an Overseas High School:

- Must possess a high school diploma.
- Must have attained a minimum 3.0 grade point average (A=4.0).
- Must possess adequate English proficiency: Please refer to the English Proficiency Requirement for details.

Please visit [www.calstatela.edu/international](http://www.calstatela.edu/international) for details.