Department: Physics and Astronomy  
Degree Objective: Master of Physics

What can I do with this degree? What kind of jobs do people with this degree typically obtain?

Community College Professor, Aerospace Industry, Computer Systems, Materials Sciences Jobs,

Will this master’s program prepare me for a PhD program?

Yes

How do I apply to your graduate program?

Applications to University and Department required.  
For university Admission: https://www2.calstate.edu/apply  
For Department review: http://www.calstatela.edu/dept/physics

What is the GPA requirements for admissions into the MA degree?

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Does your program require the GRE?

No

How many recommendation letters does your degree program require?

3.

Whom should I get the recommendation letters from, professors or employers?

Either is fine as long as the writer knows the student sufficiently to describe the students’ skills and potential to finish a successful MS Program in Physics.

Do you have any tips on how to write a personal statement?

Describe your goals, what motivates your enthusiasm for the sciences, life experiences that led you to choose physics, etc.

When do you accept students into your graduate program in Fall or Spring or both?

Fall and Spring
What are the admission deadlines?

You can find the University and Department Deadlines at this website: www.calstatela.edu/admissions/deadlines

What is the cost to attend graduate school?

You can find information regarding tuition and fees at the Student Financial Services website at http://www.calstatela.edu/sfinserv/cashiers-office

Is this degree program co-horted?

For the most part YES. Most students starts in the fall. Only a few students start in the spring.

When are your graduate classes typically offered during the day or at night?

Late afternoon and early evening.

Whom can I contact in the department, if I have additional questions?

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Are there any additional resources or funding opportunities for graduate student at CSULA?

For resources and funding opportunities, please visit the Graduate Studies webpage at http://www.calstatela.edu/graduatestudies