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# CALIFORNIA

**STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS**



# WHERE IS SAN MARCOS?

California State University San Marcos (CSUSM) is located in North San Diego County – the heart of beautiful Southern California. Just a short distance from the campus you will find California’s most beautiful beaches, mountains and deserts where you can swim, surf, hike, bicycle, golf and ski.

The CSUSM campus is conveniently situated in a small, safe, suburban city **50 kilometers** north of the city of San Diego and **150 kilometers** south of Los Angeles. You are within easy traveling distance of the San Diego Zoo, Sea World, Disneyland and Hollywood.

LOS ANGELES  
LAX

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SAN MARCOS

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# WHY CHOOSE CSUSM?

Since its founding over 30 years ago, CSUSM has prided itself on being fully engaged in the local and international communities, technologically sophisticated and dedicated to teaching future generations through a relevant curriculum with a global perspective. CSUSM is fully accredited by the **Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).**

The university offers rigorous undergraduate and graduate programs distinguished by exemplary teaching, innovative curricula, and the application of new technologies. CSUSM is also proud to offer a brand-new athletic center, 150 teaching and research labs and one of the most modern libraries in the entire Cal State University System. Among the university's distinctions is recognition of a strong commitment to community engagement by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.



# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

There are more than 350 international and exchange students from over 40 countries around the world, including: China, Japan, Korea, UK, Vietnam, Germany, Norway, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Brazil and many more... in addition, approximately 250 students are enrolled in CSUSM's intensive English program and short-term programs.

# EXCELLENT EDUCATION

Our outstanding faculty and staff ensure that even on a medium-sized campus, CSUSM offers small class sizes with a student-to-faculty ratio of **24:1**. Roughly 99% of our full-time faculty (290) teach, giving students a great deal of personalized attention.



***AFTER HEARING ABOUT CSUSM'S GREAT BUSINESS PROGRAM, I LEFT JAPAN TO STUDY HERE. INTERACTING AND STUDYING ALONGSIDE STUDENTS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES HAS GIVEN ME AN INVALUABLE GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE.***

KOKORO HYODO, JAPANESE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION STUDENT



# HIGHLIGHTS @ CSUSM

- In its “Safest Schools” report, [National Council for Home Safety and Security](#) recognized CSUSM as the safest four-year university in California.
- Our faculty drive the national research agenda. In 2017, we received approximately \$19.2 million in grants.
- CSUSM, in partnership with Palomar College, received a \$1.95 million grant to develop a five-year program aimed at increasing the number of undergraduates, transfer students and graduates in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) disciplines.
- The curriculum is focused on writing, critical thinking and collaborative team building skills while integrating an international perspective.
- Global communications company Viasat, together with several employees, invested \$1.5 million to become the founding partner of the CSUSM engineering program.
- CSUSM’s College of Business Administration received the prestigious accreditation through AACSB and the Department of Public Health received its national accreditation by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH).
- Buildings and laboratories are technologically advanced and 100% of the classrooms are equipped with “smart” systems.
- Ranked in the top Tier 1 institutions in the USA for **employment outcomes** relative to the total cost of a higher education in 2021 by *Educate to Career. Inc.*
- CSUSM holds the Community Engagement Classification from the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, a designation that is valid through 2025.
- Over 50% of the student population represents diverse ethnic backgrounds including students from approximately **55 different countries.**
- Accomplished faculty such as Dr. Betsy Read, Dr. Vassilis Dalakas, Dr. Bianca Mothe’ and Colleen Lopez are nationally and internationally recognized for their research in a variety of fields including: Bioscience, Health Care, Documentary Photography, Educational Technology and more.



## SUPPORT SERVICES

- Full-time international student advisors and specialized one-on-one academic advisors to help students achieve on time graduation.
- Available support services include: the writing center, the mathematics lab, the faculty and volunteer mentoring program, disability support services, peer mentoring, tutoring, study groups/program services and the Career Center.
- The Global Connections student organization as well as 140 established student organizations provide a place to make friends and develop networking and leadership skills.

## TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

- CSUSM is a stop on a “Sprinter” light rail service that connects to bus and Amtrak train routes throughout San Diego and California.
- Special student discount passes are available for reliable public transport to neighboring cities.
- Other modes of transportation are available to allow for easy commutes to campus and travel throughout the region, including express bus service, Zipcar vehicles for rent and ride-share services.



# HOW TO APPLY

## APPLYING IS EASY! JUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

- Apply online at [calstate.edu/apply/international](https://calstate.edu/apply/international)
- Official transcripts/academic records from all secondary and post-secondary schools attended
- Affidavit of Financial Support or scholarship letter
- Official TOEFL, IELTS, Duolingo or Cambridge score report
- Copy of passport

## MASTER'S DEGREE APPLICANTS\*

In addition to the materials listed above, graduate applicants may be required to submit the following:

- Department application, as required
- GRE or GMAT scores, as required (GRE waived for 2022 entry period)
- Letters of Recommendation, as required
- Statement of purpose, as required
- Resume, as required

\*PLEASE BE SURE TO VISIT [WWW.CSUSM.EDU/GLOBAL](https://www.csusm.edu/global) FOR SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS FOR YOUR GRADUATE PROGRAM DETAILS

# APPLICATION DEADLINES

## Fall Filing Period:

- October 1 through May 1\*
- Extended deadline to June 1 for students already studying in the U.S
- All supporting documents must be received within two weeks after application deadline

## Spring Filing Period:

- August 1 through November 1\*
- Extended deadline to November 15 for students already studying in the U.S.
- All supporting documents must be received within two weeks after application deadline

\*GRADUATE PROGRAM DEADLINES VARY

[WWW.CSUSM.EDU/GLOBAL/ADMISSIONS/INDEX.HTML](https://www.csusm.edu/global/admissions/index.html)



# ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

## BACHELOR'S DEGREE

### Freshman (First-Time) Student:

- Equivalent of a "C+" (2.5) GPA in high school  
2.0 GPA out of 4.0 for conditional admission through ALCI
- Graduated from, or will graduate with a secondary diploma/  
graduation certificate (IB diploma accepted)
- SAT or ACT **not** required
- Advanced Placement (AP), College Level Examination  
Program (CLEP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) credit  
accepted for transfer credit

### Transfer Student:

- CSUSM accepts both lower and upper division transfer  
students with a GPA of 2.0 or higher out of 4.0

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Can be satisfied with ONE of the following:

- TOEFL score of 61 iBT with writing score no lower than 19  
and no section score below 14
- IELTS score of 5.5 with writing score no lower than  
5.5 and no section score below 5.0
- Cambridge B2 First (FCE), C1 Advanced (CAE), C2  
Proficiency (CPE) no lower than 168. (no lower than 160  
for pathway program)
- Duolingo score of 95
- Depending on location, students with a minimum of three  
years of study at a institution where English is the principal  
language of instruction
- Requirement may be waived by completing an approved  
freshmen Composition course from an accredited US  
institution with grade of "C" (2.0) or better

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR DETAILS AT:**  
[www.csusm.edu/global/admissions](http://www.csusm.edu/global/admissions)

## MASTER'S DEGREE

- Equivalent of a Bachelor's Degree
- Overall 2.5 GPA out of 4.0 in the general degree or in the last 60  
units attempted
- Graduate programs have higher than minimum GPA requirements.  
Some will require GRE, GRE subject tests or GMAT, depending on  
the program. (GRE waived for 2022 entry period.)

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Can be satisfied with ONE of the following:

- TOEFL score of 80 iBT
- IELTS score of 6.0 with writing score no lower than 6.0 and no  
section score below 5.5
- Cambridge C1 Advanced (CAE), C2 Proficiency (CPE) no  
lower than 180
- Duolingo score of 110
- Bachelor's or Master's degree from a U.S. university or country  
where English is the principal language of instruction

Conditional Admission applies to both bachelor's degree and master's degree

### CONDITIONAL ADMISSION

Conditional admission is available to Bachelor's degree and select  
Master's degree applicants who are academically qualified, but need a  
passing TOEFL or IELTS score.

- Applicants may satisfy their English language requirement  
by successfully completing the American Language and  
Culture Institute's (ALCI) University Access Program for the  
TOEFL/IELTS-waiver
- Conditionally admitted students may be permitted to take  
university classes for credit while enrolled in ALCI
- Students who successfully complete ALCI will be admitted to CSU  
San Marcos without a TOEFL/IELTS score the next available term
- Master's Conditional Admission applicants must meet the  
undergraduate English proficiency level requirement at  
time of application



# 2021-2022 TUITION AND FEES

## BACHELOR'S DEGREE (PER ACADEMIC YEAR)

<b>Tuition and Fees*</b>	\$ 17,226
<b>Room and Board</b>	\$ 13,780
<b>Living Expenses</b>	\$ 5,708
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 36,714

## MASTER'S DEGREE (PER ACADEMIC YEAR)

<b>Tuition and Fees</b>	\$ 16,200-30,000
<b>Room and Board</b>	\$ 14,000-15,000
<b>Living Expenses</b>	\$ 5,700-10,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 35,900-55,000

## ALCI UNIVERSITY ACCESS PROGRAM

Conditional Admission (Per Semester)

Scholarships available! Contact [alci@csusm.edu](mailto:alci@csusm.edu)

<b>Tuition and Fees</b>	\$ 8,650
<b>Estimated Living Expenses</b>	\$ 8,140
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 16,790

Including textbooks, student fees, daily support and personalized advising in such areas as degree planning, housing, academics, etc.

All fees and expenses subject to change. Programs offered through Extended Learning may have higher tuition and fees.

Please consult website for most up-to-date information:  
[www.csusm.edu/global/alci/datesandcosts/index.html](http://www.csusm.edu/global/alci/datesandcosts/index.html)

\*These represent the actual cost of instruction for all students.

CA students tuition is subsidized through state and local income tax.

For more information: [www.csusm.edu/global/admissions/tuitionandfees.html](http://www.csusm.edu/global/admissions/tuitionandfees.html)

Limited funding opportunities are available. Details can be found at:  
[csusm.edu/global/intstudents/finaid.html](http://csusm.edu/global/intstudents/finaid.html)

FOR DETAILS VISIT

**[WWW.CSUSM.EDU/GLOBAL](http://WWW.CSUSM.EDU/GLOBAL)**



# AMERICAN LANGUAGE & CULTURE INSTITUTE

## ALCI PROGRAMS

BACHELOR'S AND MASTER'S CONDITIONAL ADMISSION

### UNIVERSITY ACCESS PROGRAM

(\$8,650 USD PER SEMESTER; \$5,950 USD FOR SUMMER TERM)

*ASK ABOUT SCHOLARSHIPS!*

This program offers qualified students a dedicated individual advisor as well as the opportunity to earn credits toward their bachelor's or select master's degree and receive guaranteed admission upon successful completion of the program. Whether needing to improve on your academic history or transition your English skills, the program makes your success our goal.

### INTENSIVE ENGLISH PATHWAY

(\$5,950 USD PER SEMESTER; \$4,300 USD PER EIGHT WEEKS;

\$2,495 USD PER FOUR WEEKS)

The premier Intensive English Program that accepts students of all levels of English ability and offers qualified students a pathway option to take English language courses along with university courses.

### STUDY @ CSU SAN MARCOS (\$6,350 USD PER SEMESTER)

For visiting/free-mover International students who want to enroll in university classes for credit for one or two semesters. For those studying for two semesters, work authorization (OPT) can be granted.

### SHORT-TERM AND PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

Designed to meet the needs of groups of students or professionals who wish to take advantage of our full-service packages (from airport transportation to accommodations to seminars/workshops by leading experts) and experience all that the North County San Diego region has to offer. Please contact us to see if we can create something for you.

### TEACHER TRAINING AND EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATOR PROGRAMS

The TEFL Teacher Training Certificate and Educational Administrator Programs combine communicative language training and educational administration training with school visits, cultural activities, professional seminars and sightseeing. These programs accept individuals and groups of English language teachers and international educators.

VISIT [CSUSM.EDU/ALCI](https://www.csusm.edu/alci)

OR CONTACT [ALCI@CSUSM.EDU](mailto:ALCI@CSUSM.EDU)



# INTERNATIONAL HOUSING

International students at CSUSM have a variety of housing options, including **homestay** with an American host family or living in an **off-campus** apartment.

**On-campus housing:** Students can live on-campus at either The QUAD or University Village Apartments.

## ON-CAMPUS BENEFITS

- Professional staff support is available for live-in students 24 hours a day
- Pools and recreational facilities
- Fully furnished, laundry facilities, free internet, full kitchen with dishwasher
- Friendly and engaged police force
- Walking distance to eateries, grocery stores, pharmacy, and campus
- Plenty of public transportation
- CSUSM is an inclusive community, promoting positive interactions in a diverse environment
- Fun events and programs throughout the year
- Optional themed Living Learning Communities available to share classroom experiences with students you're living with

**APPLY EARLY TO  
GUARANTEE HOUSING**

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FOR DETAILS VISIT

[CSUSM.EDU/GLOBAL/CURRENT/HOUSING.HTML](https://csusm.edu/global/current/housing.html)



# CAMPUS LIFE

At CSUSM enjoy the full university experience! With more than a million square feet of facilities, all of which have been constructed since 1990, CSUSM offers the best amenities for life on campus. The primary academic facilities include the 106,000 sq. ft. Social and Behavioral Sciences Building; a 200,000 sq. ft. library where you can study for 24 hours a day for five days a week; and two science laboratory buildings. that can accommodate 840,000 volumes and seat 1,600 students.

Students enjoy a complimentary fitness center (The Clarke), including indoor/outdoor basketball and volleyball courts, running track, soccer field and a wide variety of rental sports equipment. A new Sports Center is home to **Division II NCAA** basketball and volleyball teams.

Aside from housing, enjoy a fast developing city life off campus. Adjacent to campus, visit affordable restaurants, experience the outdoors with local trails, enjoy indoor rock-climbing and hang out at a nearby pub. Come to CSUSM where you will be greeted with a warm welcome!

Visit: [www.csusm.edu/students/campuslife.html](http://www.csusm.edu/students/campuslife.html)

OUR CAMPUS LIFE IS VIBRANT AND DIVERSE. STUDENTS THRIVE BY FINDING COMMUNITY THROUGH ENRICHING AND MEANINGFUL EXPERIENCES AS WELL AS INCLUSIVE EVENTS ON CAMPUS THAT ARE SCHEDULED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.



# STUDENT STORIES

Here are what some of our students are saying about their experience at California State University San Marcos.



*I CHOSE TO COME HERE BECAUSE OF THE INCREDIBLE COMPUTER SCIENCE PROGRAM. WHEN I ARRIVED HERE, I FELT INCREDIBLY WELCOME BY THE STAFF AND OTHER STUDENTS. I FEEL THAT THIS IS MY NEW HOME.*

**BANDAR BANAWAS**, COMPUTER SCIENCE, SAUDI ARABIA



*ALCI INSTRUCTORS TREATED ME LIKE FAMILY AND ALWAYS TOOK CARE OF ME. I EXPLORED MY POTENTIAL AND LEARNED A LOT ABOUT CULTURE. THE ATTACHMENT WITH ALCI WILL STAY FOREVER AND ALWAYS BE APPRECIATED.*

**DILPREET KAUR**, STUDY @ CSUSM STUDENT,  
CHANDIGARH, INDIA



*THIS IS A FAST-PACED PROGRAM THAT PREPARES YOU FOR THE REAL WORLD OF BUSINESS. I LOVE THE COHORT FORMAT OF THE SMBA PROGRAM. WE'VE GROWN CLOSE AS A GROUP AND I APPRECIATE ALL THE SUPPORT FROM MY PEERS. I'VE MADE SOME FRIENDS FOR LIFE.*

**SOLVEIG HALLDORSDDOTTIR**,  
SPECIALIZED MASTER IN BUSINESS  
ADMINISTRATION, NORWAY



# MAJORS DEGREES | EMPHASES AND CONCENTRATIONS

## **AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES, B.A.**

### **ANTHROPOLOGY, B.A.**

- Medical Anthropology
- Indigenous Anthropology

### **APPLIED PHYSICS, B.S.**

- Applied Physics
- Applied Electronics

### **ART, MEDIA & DESIGN, B.A.**

- Art & Visual Culture
- Digital & Media Arts

### **BIOCHEMISTRY, B.S.**

### **BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES, B.S./M.S.**

- Pre-Medical/Pre-Dental
- Molecular and Cellular Biology
- Ecology
- Physiology
- General Biology

### **BIOTECHNOLOGY, B.S./M.Bt.**

### **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, B.S.\***

- Accountancy
- Data Analytics
- Finance
- Global Business Management
- Global Supply Chain Management
- Management Information Systems
- Management
- Marketing

### **M.B.A. (AACSB ACCREDITED)**

- General Management (18 month)
- Specialized Accelerated (12 or 15 months), options in:
  - Business Analytics
  - International Business
  - Supply Chain Management

### **CHEMISTRY, B.S./M.S.**

- Chemistry
- Science Education

### **CHILD/ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT, B.A.**

### **COMMUNICATION, B.A.**

### **COMPUTER SCIENCE, B.S. /M.S.**

- Computer Science
- Computer Information Systems

### **CRIMINOLOGY & JUSTICE STUDIES, B.A.\***

### **CYBERSECURITY, ONLINE M.S.**

### **ECONOMICS, B.A.**

### **ENGINEERING**

- Software
- Electrical

### **ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES B.A.**

### **ETHNIC STUDIES, B.A.**

### **GEOGRAPHY, B.A.**

### **GLOBAL STUDIES, B.A.**

### **HISTORY, B.A./M.A.**

### **HUMAN DEVELOPMENT, B.A.**

- Counseling Services
- General
- Health Services

### **KINESIOLOGY, B.S./M.S.**

- Health Science
- Movement Science

### **LIBERAL STUDIES, B.A.**

- Border Studies
- Elementary Subject Matter Prep
- Integrated Credential Program

### **LINGUISTICS, B.A.**

### **LITERATURE AND WRITING STUDIES, B.A. /M.A.**

### **MATHEMATICS, B.S. /M.S.**

### **MEDIA STUDIES, B.A.**

### **MUSIC, B.A.**

### **NURSING**

- 2nd Bachelor Accelerated BSN Only\*

### **POLITICAL SCIENCE, B.A.**

- General Concentration
- Global Concentration

### **PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE, B.A./M.A.**

### **PUBLIC HEALTH, M.P.H.**

### **SOCIAL SCIENCES, B.A.**

### **SOCIAL WORK, M.S.W.**

### **SOCIOLOGICAL PRACTICE, M.A.**

### **SOCIOLOGY, B.A.**

### **SPANISH, B.A./M.A.**

### **SPECIAL MAJOR, B.A.**

### **SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY, B.S.\*/M.S.**

### **THEATRE, B.A.**

### **WOMEN'S GENDER & SEXUALITY STUDIES, B.A.**

[www.csusm.edu/global/admissions/ugadmiss/bachdegrees.html](http://www.csusm.edu/global/admissions/ugadmiss/bachdegrees.html)

\*SECOND BACHELOR'S MAY BE AVAILABLE FOR SOME PROGRAMS. CONTACT INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS AT [IAPPLY@CSUSM.EDU](mailto:IAPPLY@CSUSM.EDU).

FOR DETAILED MAJOR DESCRIPTIONS, VISIT [WWW.CSUSM.EDU/GLOBAL/ADMISSIONS](http://WWW.CSUSM.EDU/GLOBAL/ADMISSIONS)

**MINORS:** Students should also consider minors in Education, Electronics, Film Studies, Linguistics, Music Technology, Video/Film Production but are welcome to minor in another field of study



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