Minimum requirements to transfer to a California State University (CSU) campus with Junior standing:

- Complete 60 transferable semester units. It helps to complete lower division major requirements. These requirements can be found at www.assist.org.
- Complete at least 30 semester units of CSU General Education courses with a “C” grade or better.
- Have a 2.0 G.P.A. in all transferable units attempted.
- Be in good standing at the last college or university attended.
- Complete the following CSU General Education areas with a grade of “C” or better:
  - A#1—Oral Communication
  - A#2—Written Communication
  - A#3—Critical Thinking
  - B#4—Quantitative Reasoning

How to choose the correct CSU GE pattern for you:

- Always use the most current CSU General Education pattern to choose your courses. Each year, a few courses are added or deleted on these patterns.
- If you take a course during the semester/term it appears on the CSU General Education pattern — it counts! If you take a course after it has been deleted or before it appears on the pattern — it doesn’t count for CSU General Education.
- Meet with your ARC counselor before attempting to take courses at another college to fulfill CSU GE requirements. Approved courses vary from college to college.

General Education Certification:

- Most CSU campuses require that the CSU General Education pattern be certified.
- You must meet with an ARC counselor in order to have your CSU General Education certified.
- Certification should be done in your last term of enrollment prior to transfer.

Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT)

American River College is now offering Associate Degrees for Transfer to the CSU. These include Associate in Arts (AA-T) or Associate in Science (AS-T) degrees. These degrees are designed to provide a clear pathway to a CSU major and baccalaureate degree. ARC students who are awarded an ADT degree are guaranteed admission with junior standing somewhere in the CSU system and given priority admission consideration to their local CSU campus or to a program that is deemed similar to their community college major. This priority does not guarantee admission to specific majors or campuses.

Students who have been awarded an ADT degree are able to complete their remaining requirements for the 120 unit baccalaureate degree with 60 semester or 90 quarter units.

Current and prospective community college students are encouraged to meet with an ARC counselor to review their options for transfer and to develop an educational plan that best meets their goals and needs.
CSU Requirements for the Bachelor's Degree:

Degree requirements at a California State University consist of: (1) General Education Requirements which are required of all degree candidates, (2) Major Requirements which are part of the student’s field of specialization, (3) individual campus graduation requirements, and (4) state law requirements. These requirements are classified in two levels — lower division and upper division. Students may transfer a maximum of 70 lower division semester units from a community college, which may involve preparation for the major and all lower division general education courses.

To be eligible for graduation with a Bachelor's degree from a California State University, students must complete a minimum of 48 semester units of general education. American River College will certify completion of 39 lower division general education units for students if they follow the pattern of requirements outlined below. The remaining 9 units required in general education must be upper division courses completed at the four-year university.

Sixty or more transferable semester units are needed for a student to transfer with junior standing. It is important that lower division courses that are required for the major be completed prior to transfer. Major requirements can be found at www.assist.org.

Advanced Placement (AP), College Level Examination Program (CLEP), and International Baccalaureate (IB) examinations are appropriate for inclusion in the General Education breadth list. (AP/IB/CLEP lists can be viewed @ http://www.arc.losrios.edu/Support_Services/Articulation/APIBCLEP.htm

Special Notes for CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SACRAMENTO:

1. CSU Sacramento requires a total of 51 semester units of General Education for graduation. It is suggested that the 3 “extra” lower division General Education units be selected from Area B. The remaining 9 units of General Education must be upper division units and cannot be completed at a community college.

2. CSU Sacramento requires 3 units to meet their Race and Ethnicity Graduation requirement. The following ARC courses are approved to meet this requirement: HIST 330, SOC 320, PSYC 365/HSER 330, TA 306 or 318. These courses can also meet CSU General Education Certification requirements.

3. Students with catalog rights of Fall 1992 or later must complete 3 years of the same language in high school with a grade of “C-” or better or complete a second semester college foreign language or sign language course with a grade of “C-” or better. Students pursuing a BS in the following majors are exempt from this requirement: Business Administration (all concentrations); Chemistry/Biochemistry; Computer Science (all concentrations); Engineering: Civil, Computer, Mechanical, Electrical and Electronic; Construction Management; Health Science (all concentrations); Kinesiology: Exercise Science and Athletic Training concentrations; Nursing; Physics; Recreation and Park Management/Recreation Therapy. See a counselor for other Foreign Language Proficiency options.

4. Students with catalog rights of Fall 1992 or later must complete CSUS’s English 20. The following ARC courses meet this requirement for CSU Sacramento: ENGWR 301, 302, 303, 481, 482, and ESL 350. These courses also meet the AREA A3 requirement on the CSU General Education Pattern.

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A. English Language Communication & Critical Thinking: 9 semester units minimum, 1 course from each area

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B. Scientific Inquiry & Quantitative Reasoning: 9 semester units minimum, 1 course from each area. Courses in area B3 may also be used in areas B1 or B2 where appropriate. Related lecture course must be completed prior to or concurrently with lab.

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C. Arts & Humanities: 9 semester units minimum including one course from Arts and one from Humanities plus 1 course from either Arts or Humanities

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D. (0-9) Social Sciences: 9 semester units minimum, 3 courses from at least 2 different subject areas

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E. Lifelong Learning & Self Development: 3 semester units minimum

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F. U.S. History, Constitution and American Ideals This is a CSU Graduation requirement and not part of CSU Certification

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Note: These courses can also be used in area D of the CSU GE Certification pattern.
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY
APPLICATION FILING PERIODS

APPLICATION PRIORITY FILING PERIOD:

Winter Quarter June 1 - 30
IMPORTANT: Due to the current state budget crisis, many campuses will not accept upper division transfers, check csumentor.edu

Spring Semester/Quarter August 1 – 31
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Fall Semester/Quarter October 1 – November 30
IMPORTANT: Students must file their CSU application one year prior to transferring

DO YOU WANT TO FIND OUT IF THE CAMPUS YOU ARE INTERESTED IS ACCEPTING DURING THE APPLICATION FILING PERIOD?

- Go to www.csumentor.edu
- Click on the "Apply Online" tab
- Then click on: Application Filing Status Report
- Choose "undergraduate" and then select the term you wish to enter a CSU campus

Apply online using CSU Mentor at www.csumentor.edu. After reaching this site, click on the "Apply Online" tab, then click on Undergraduate Admission Applications.

For online help with the application, call (800) 468-6927 or email support@csumentor.edu

For individual help please ask for assistance from the Transfer Center staff.

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