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*California coast*



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# education meets opportunity

## IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S DIVERSE COMMUNITY

Discover the perfect blend of academic excellence and professional opportunities at California State University San Marcos (CSUSM). The 304-acre hillside campus is just minutes from the sunny beaches of North San Diego County, offering a unique setting for your educational journey.

The University's commitment to your success goes beyond the classroom. CSUSM collaborates closely with local industries and organizations to provide students with coveted internship opportunities. Gain hands-on experience, develop practical skills, and build a network of invaluable professional connections that will set you apart in your chosen field.

### PRIME SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LOCATION

CSUSM is located in North County San Diego and close to Orange County and Los Angeles – three vibrant employment hubs. Whether you're drawn to the tech marvels of Silicon Valley or the healthcare innovations in San Diego, CSUSM's location puts you at the forefront of diverse and thriving job markets.

San Marcos itself has a diverse population of around 95,000 people and is situated just north of the city of San Diego. Within around a 30-minute drive you can visit world-class entertainment, cuisine, shopping and more in San Diego.







# shaping careers

## FOR TOMORROW'S INDUSTRIES

CSUSM's finely tuned curriculum aligns with high-demand career opportunities in business, supply chain management, public health, and more. CSUSM prepares you not just for a job but for a thriving career.

Unleash your potential with STEM-designated degrees in Biotechnology, Computer Science, or Mathematics. A STEM degree from CSUSM opens doors to extend your post-graduation stay in the U.S. through Optional Practical Training (OPT) for up to three years.

Dive into experiential learning and gain practical skills that set you apart. CSUSM's emphasis on hands-on experience equips you to navigate the challenges of your chosen field with confidence.

### WHERE COMMUNITY UNITES, DIVERSITY THRIVES

Immerse yourself in the inclusive spirit of CSUSM, where its vibrant campus mirrors the diversity of San Marcos. Recognized as a "community-engaged university" by the Carnegie Foundation, CSUSM collaborates with local communities to address critical issues. This enables local organizations to tap into the talent of CSUSM students and provides valuable real-world experience for students like you.

Feel the warmth of a welcoming atmosphere as you step onto campus. CSUSM's commitment to fostering a sense of belonging ensures students from diverse backgrounds thrive academically and as individuals.

Honored with the Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award for 12 consecutive years, CSUSM celebrates differences and values each unique voice, creating a community where inclusion is a high priority.



CSUSM is proud to be ranked in the top Tier 1 institutions in the US for employment outcomes relative to total cost of higher education.

Educate to Career, Inc.



## EMPOWERING EDUCATION IN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Your CSUSM journey goes beyond education—it's about being part of a diverse and inclusive community that cares about your safety and success. Join a campus culture that embraces diversity, fosters inclusion, and champions your educational journey in a safe and secure environment.

Prioritize safety and well-being in your educational journey at CSUSM, rated as a safest 4-year university in California (The National Council for Home Safety and Security). With an extremely low crime rate, the campus provides a secure space for teaching, learning, and an outstanding student experience.



"In your last year as a business student, you take a class called Senior Experience, which is where you work with a group of other business students, and local companies will pay to have their projects on show and then you'll take on one of their projects. So my team and I took a project with a brand new nonprofit that started in San Diego aiming to improve mental health by tackling nutritional health. I was lucky enough to have a really good rapport and a relationship with the founder of the company, so I've actually asked them do an internship with them, which I'm doing now this semester."

**JORDAN FROM MOZAMBIQUE**  
STUDYING BUSINESS  
ADMINISTRATION



# academics

Choose a path aligned with your passions at CSUSM—your education is not just a degree, it's a gateway to a world of opportunities and success!

## UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE HIGHLIGHTS

Embark on a transformative educational journey at CSUSM with our highlighted undergraduate degree programs, designed to shape tomorrow's leaders. Interested in a different undergraduate degree? Turn to Page 14 for a list of all CSUSM's programs.

### COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS

- **Biotechnology, BS\***

The Bachelor of Science in Biotechnology at CSU San Marcos will prepare you to succeed and excel in various entry-level positions within the biotechnology/life sciences industry. San Diego County boasts one of the largest biotechnology/life sciences industry clusters globally, creating substantial workforce demand for scientists and technicians locally. The curriculum integrates both science and business coursework, offering you the flexibility to pursue roles in laboratory settings or in the management and marketing operations of biotechnology. Throughout your studies, you will acquire specific knowledge and skills, including applying biological principles to solve biotechnological challenges, integrating legal, ethical, and business perspectives, developing effective scientific communications through presentations, and utilizing quantitative and computational tools to address industry-specific problems.

**Additional degrees:**

- **Biochemistry, BS\***
- **Computer Science, BS\***
- **Engineering: Computer, Electrical, or Software, BS\***

### COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND HUMAN SERVICES

- **Kinesiology, BS**

The Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology at Cal State San Marcos will prepare you for various careers in rehabilitation, wellness, fitness, public health, and education. The department is a member of the American Kinesiology Association.

**You can choose between two concentration options:**

**Health Science:** This option will prepare you for professional service in public health, health/fitness education and promotion, wellness coaching, health research, and community health advocacy. You will gain skills to promote positive personal behavior changes impacting individual and community health, and you will be well-prepared for graduate programs in public health, nursing, kinesiology, and health science.

**Movement Science:** This option will prepare you for professional study in health-related fields such as physical therapy, physician assistant, nursing, and prosthetics, requiring rigorous science preparation. Graduates will also be prepared for careers in personal training, cardiac rehabilitation, nutrition consulting, corporate fitness, orthopedic rehabilitation settings, and more.

## #23 best regional universities west

(U.S. News and World Report, 2026)

## #79 best colleges in the U.S.

(Wall Street Journal/College Pulse, 2026)

### COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

- **Business Administration: Global Supply Chain Management, BS**


The Global Supply Chain Management Option within the Operations and Supply Chain Management Department at CSU San Marcos will teach you how to perform the key responsibilities of a supply chain manager on a global scale. You will learn to design and oversee the relationships critical to the seamless movement of products worldwide. You will gain insights into consumer behavior and product creation, covering aspects such as production planning, market entry strategies, material sourcing, procurement decisions, inventory management, marketing strategies, and optimal shipping methods to meet consumer demand. This program will also equip you with the skills to manage the entire global supply network of modern companies, including supplier relationships, manufacturing or service delivery, distribution and marketing, and customer relationship management.

- **Business Administration: Management Information Systems, BS**

The Management Information Systems (MIS) Option at CSU San Marcos offers a series of courses that integrate technical and managerial perspectives in Information Systems. You will learn diverse methods to efficiently manage and optimize information systems for modern organizations. Through hands-on learning, you will develop deep expertise in cutting-edge technologies including business information systems, database management, networking, cybersecurity, and artificial intelligence applications. Graduates of this program will have various career opportunities, including roles as IT Analysts, Cybersecurity Analysts, Business Intelligence Analysts, Database Administrators, Systems Administrators, Network Administrators, Technical Support Specialists, Business Application Developers, Systems Analysts, and Information Systems Managers.

"We don't have many opportunities for labs in our country for biotech. (Here) we have really lab-intensive courses, which helps me a lot. I noticed a lot of professors work with the undergrad team to be part of their research team.

CSUSM also has pretty good student events. They invite guest speakers from many big industries. I can talk with them and explore my interests. These are really good things I love."

 **PUSHPITA FROM BANGLADESH**  
STUDYING BIOTECHNOLOGY, BS



#### STEM-DESIGNATED DEGREES

Degrees with \* are STEM-designated degrees at CSUSM, which offer international students the opportunity to gain up to 36 months of employment experience in their chosen major area through Optional Practical Training (OPT).

See page 14 for full list of degree programs.

# POSTGRADUATE STUDY HIGHLIGHTS

Explore academic excellence with distinguished graduate degree programs tailored to meet the demands of the ever-evolving professional landscape. CSUSM takes pride in offering STEM-designated degrees that open doors to limitless possibilities.

## POSTGRADUATE DEGREE OPTIONS

### Subjects:

- ▶ Biotechnology, MBT\*
- ▶ Business Administration, MBA
- ▶ Business Analytics, MS\*
- ▶ Computer Science, MS\*  
(Thesis and Non-Thesis)
- ▶ Mathematics, MS\*
- ▶ Public Health, MPH
- ▶ Supply Chain Analytics, MS\*

\*STEM-Designated Degree

## BIOTECHNOLOGY, MBT\*

CSUSM's Master of Biotechnology (MBT) is a unique Professional Science Master's degree program that integrates technical, scientific, and MBA-level business courses with hands-on experience. This accelerated five-semester program prepares you for success in the rapidly growing field of biotechnology and life sciences. You'll engage in MBA-level business core courses, industry-related fundamentals, and real-world projects in both business and public sectors. Gain skills to excel in both scientific and business aspects of biotech and learn the latest techniques from San Diego biotech leaders. With San Diego County's prominent biotech industry, this program meets substantial workforce demand for skilled professionals in the field.

## BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, MBA

The College of Business Administration offers an accelerated Specialized MBA program tailored to ambitious professionals like yourself. You can earn your MBA in just 12 months, providing a fast-track to advancing your career. The program responds directly to employer demands for specialized expertise, offering concentrations in Advanced Study in Supply Chain Management, International Business, and Business Analytics, which is a STEM-designated degree concentration. Additionally, through our mentorship program, you'll have the invaluable opportunity to connect with seasoned executives who can provide guidance and insights to support your professional growth. Whether you're aiming to excel in supply chain management, expand your international business acumen, or harness the power of data analytics, our Specialized MBA program equips you with the skills and connections needed to thrive in today's competitive business landscape.



## BUSINESS ANALYTICS, MS\*

With the Master of Science in Business Analytics degree, you will fast-track your professional growth to help you lead in today's data-rich business environment. In just 12 months, become prepared to solve complex business challenges by being taught machine learning, ethical practices, big data and visualization. In this program, you will learn from highly qualified faculty, with expertise and industry experience, study real company datasets using industry tools, and solve complex business challenges. Pave your way for a senior analytical role by developing skills looked for in healthcare, technology and finance sectors.

## COMPUTER SCIENCE, MS\*

The Master of Science in Computer Science program at CSUSM offers both a thesis and non-thesis option. Both will prepare you for diverse roles in industry, business, public sectors, doctoral studies, and academic careers. Emphasizing critical thinking, quantitative reasoning, and treating Computer Science as a scientific discipline, the program features a low student/faculty ratio and provides a strong core foundation. You will learn to analyze computer architectures, design and test object-oriented software, apply theoretical foundations, evaluate algorithms, conduct and present independent research, and acquire new skills to prepare you for your chosen career.

## MATHEMATICS, MS\*

The Master of Science in Mathematics program will provide you with a broad exposure to mathematics, enhancing your intellectual attitudes and analytic skills for comprehension, appreciation, creation, and application of mathematics. You will explore computational aspects and connections between mathematical branches through coursework and thesis work. Graduates will be prepared for diverse careers in academia, business, government, and industry, or pursuing doctoral programs. Additionally, you will have opportunities to collaborate with faculty on scholarly research projects, further enriching your academic and professional development.

"Our international students are very successful here. I met last year with a student who came here, completed the master's degree in Biotechnology, and now works for Merck in Saudi Arabia. That degree that she was able to earn here after her degree, she went on and did OPT. That OPT launched her into this really remarkable career with a pharmaceutical company. This is happening all over the world where our students are going on to either remarkable master's and PhD programs, if that's what they want, or they're moving on to remarkable careers in global companies because the education that they receive here is so instrumental in launching them into what they really would like to do. So we are very, very proud of what our students are able to accomplish once they leave Cal State San Marcos."

**DR. GODFREY GIBBISON**  
DEAN OF EXTENDED  
LEARNING AND GLOBAL  
PROGRAMS



## PUBLIC HEALTH, MPH

The Master of Public Health (MPH) program offers an accelerated, cohort-based curriculum designed to prepare you for success in the field in just 16 months. You can choose from two concentrations: Health Promotion and Health Education, or Global Health, allowing you to tailor your studies to your career goals and interests. CSUSM's strong partnerships with community organizations and governmental agencies provide integrative internships for MPH students, offering valuable real-world experience. Through these internships, you'll have the opportunity to apply your knowledge in diverse public health settings, making a meaningful impact on community health outcomes.

## SUPPLY CHAIN ANALYTICS, MS\*

The Master of Science in Supply Chain Analytics equips you in just 12 months to lead data-driven innovation in varied supply chain environments in biotech, manufacturing and health care sectors. By emphasizing applied technical skills with industry tools, this program prepares you for advanced positions that combine data science with supply chain management. You will learn to design solutions for warehouse optimization, cost containment, and sustainability and have access to real enterprise datasets. These are skills directly aligned with supply chain analytics jobs. Invest in your future and transform your career potential in the thriving supply chain industry.



# DISCOVER CSUSM'S innovation

CSUSM is home to innovation in academics, hands-on learning, and research, with high-end facilities and industry connections.

## **The Innovation Hub: Where complex social challenges are solved**

Founded in 2020 under CSUSM President Ellen Neufeldt's visionary leadership, the Innovation Hub embodies her commitment to fostering social mobility and innovation at CSUSM. Serving as a dynamic nexus for the university's Innovation Ecosystem, the Innovation Hub collaborates with faculty and industry leaders to tackle complex social challenges. The Hub is a vibrant center for innovation with events like Start-up Week and the "Shark Tank" Quick Pitch competition.

The Hub offers a wealth of opportunities for students and the community alike. From workshops and guest speaker series to hands-on research using state-of-the-art prototyping equipment, such as 3D printers, the Hub empowers participants to develop solutions for real-world problems.

## **Infinity Lab: Where your research knows no boundaries**

CSUSM's Infinity Lab is a state-of-the-art research facility supporting a wide range of research endeavors. We provide bioentrepreneurs with essential laboratory infrastructure, including health and safety protocols, biohazard disposal, and autoclave services. In turn, these bioentrepreneurs hire student workers and present opportunities for graduate students to work on capstone projects. Several student workers have gone on to be fully employed by these companies.

Through interdisciplinary research, innovation, and creative endeavors, you can engage with our vibrant CSTEM research community, collaborate with diverse and award-winning faculty researchers, and work alongside innovators who can accelerate your growth and impact in the field of science and technology.

"The San Diego area is very well known for the biotech industry and the life science industry; we also have a pretty strong foothold in the active lifestyle community, like sports. Cal State San Marcos has hundreds of partnerships with different companies. We have the Infinity Lab on campus, which is a biology laboratory that we opened up to startups so that they can do their experiments."

**DR. SCOTT GROSS**  
ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT,  
INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIPS



## OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND

San Marcos is just one of five cities in North County San Diego that is home to a diverse range of industries, including technology, biotechnology, healthcare, tourism, and manufacturing.

**Students at CSUSM have been employed by:**

### BIOTECHNOLOGY

- ▶ Thermo Fisher Scientific
- ▶ Genmark Diagnostics
- ▶ Illumina
- ▶ Biolegend
- ▶ Gilead Sciences

### BUSINESS

- ▶ General Atomics
- ▶ Viasat
- ▶ Thermo Fisher scientific
- ▶ Wells Fargo
- ▶ LPL Financial
- ▶ Northrop Grumman
- ▶ Dualcomm

### COMPUTER SCIENCE

- ▶ Qualcomm
- ▶ Playstation
- ▶ Viasat
- ▶ Amazon
- ▶ General Atomics
- ▶ Northrop Grumman

#71 student experience  
in the U.S.

(Wall Street Journal/College Pulse, 2026)

#13 best public university,  
regional west

U.S. News & World Report, 2026

80% of CSUSM students  
choose to stay in the area  
post-graduation.

The region's robust job market and the University's alliances with industry leaders make CSUSM a launching pad for a successful career.





#### LOCATION

### CARLSBAD BEACH

20-minute drive  
from campus



# SOUTHERN California

Join us at CSUSM and you'll immerse yourself in a unique Southern California location, with promising opportunities for personal growth and exploration in a welcoming atmosphere.

## SAN MARCOS

San Marcos, nestled in the scenic foothills of northern San Diego County, offers an exceptional living experience for over 95,000 residents. With miles of picturesque trails and a variety of dining and shopping options, San Marcos provides a vibrant backdrop for university life. Just a short drive south, downtown San Diego awaits with its bustling attractions, while to the west, the stunning Pacific Ocean offers endless recreational opportunities.

Despite its growth, San Marcos maintains a charming small-town atmosphere that appeals to newcomers seeking a friendly community. The city prioritizes safety with low crime rates and outstanding emergency services, ensuring peace of mind for residents.

San Marcos is also dedicated to enhancing community well-being, with 60 miles of trails, 29 parks, and 11 recreation centers developed in the past 25 years. Popular spots like Creekside Marketplace, Nordahl Center, and Grand Plaza provide convenient shopping and dining options right in town. These amenities, along with its welcoming atmosphere, make San Marcos a unique and appealing community for students and residents alike.



## NORTH COUNTY

What locals call “North County” is the area north of downtown San Diego and its central communities that offers a diverse blend of suburban living and coastal charm, spanning about 20 miles along U.S. Highway 101 and Interstate 5.

North San Diego County offers a wealth of activities for foodies, shoppers, outdoor enthusiasts, and families alike. Start by exploring its diverse beach towns, each with its own unique charm. Del Mar is famed for its seasonal racetrack and upscale beach village, while Torrey Pines State Natural Reserve offers stunning hiking trails with rare Torrey pine trees and panoramic ocean views.



Head north to Solana Beach for excellent tide-pooling at Fletcher Cove and eclectic boutiques on Cedros Avenue. Cardiff-by-the-Sea boasts a beach campground, gourmet market, and the iconic Cardiff Kook statue, perfect for surfers and beachgoers. Encinitas, known for its surf breaks and meditation gardens, features a funky downtown lined with boutiques. Nearby Carlsbad offers a coastal village atmosphere with attractions like LEGOLAND California and the colorful Flower Fields.

Oceanside has become a hub for beach activities, water sports, and public art, including vibrant murals. For nature lovers, hike to waterfalls at Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve or strike a pose at the Instagram-famous “Potato Chip Rock” near Poway. Encinitas hosts the San Diego Botanic Garden and Butterfly Farms, while Vista boasts the Alta Vista Botanical Gardens. Escondido offers wildlife watching and safari rides at the expansive San Diego Zoo Safari Park.



“Cal State San Marcos is kind of a very affordable place.

We have the beach and the mountains right there. I personally like going to the beach during the weekends. That’s my sweet spot. We have one of the best faculties. We have the best environment. Even the crime rates are very low; It’s pretty safe for international students. Besides that, it’s just really nice. It’s California, so you’ve got one of the best weathers here.”

**RICHEEK FROM INDIA**  
STUDYING COMPUTER SCIENCE, BS





# DISCOVER YOUR DREAMS ON THE WEST COAST

California State University San Marcos is ideally located on the vibrant West Coast. Whether you want to experience a live music performance or play sand volleyball on one of our iconic beaches, you're just minutes away from it all.

## SAN DIEGO

With museums, art galleries dining and shops, the walkable Old Town San Diego is a popular destination. The Old Town State Historic Park shows what life was like in California for Mexicans and early Americans.

With 15 museums, multiple live performance venues, gardens, and many other cultural and recreational attractions, the historic Balboa Park makes a great destination. The largest urban cultural park in the nation is also home to the San Diego Zoo.

Established in 1798, Mission San Luis Rey, an architectural and cultural historic landmark featuring an interpretive museum, located 15 minutes from campus, is one of the oldest in California, and the largest of the 22 missions in the state.

## OUTDOOR LIFE

San Diego's North County provides endless opportunities for students to enjoy the natural beauty of Southern California.

Surfing, sand volleyball, and other sun activities take place just minutes from campus at one of the nearby beaches in Oceanside, Carlsbad, and Encinitas. Just off campus, enjoy one of the City of San Marcos' extensive walking and hiking trails. From the top of Double Peak Park hiking trail, you can see the Pacific Ocean and a great aerial view of CSUSM.

Explore the rugged beauty of the nearly 2,000 acre Palomar Mountain State Park for wildlife sightings and a breath of fresh mountain air.

Snowboarding and skiing are less than two hours away at Southern California's premier winter escape in Big Bear and Snow Valley.

The Campus Recreation department provides a variety of outdoor adventures for students, from bungee jumping and paintball to week-long wilderness explorations.





# #55 best value in the U.S.

(Wall Street Journal/College Pulse, 2026)

## CALIFORNIA CENTER FOR THE ARTS

California Center for the Arts is the cultural center of North San Diego County and close to CSUSM in Escondido.

## GETTING AROUND

If you don't have access to a car or if you prefer the ease of mass transit, two options can help you get to and from CSUSM and the surrounding area: the BREEZE bus system and the SPRINTER rail system.

### Breeze

The BREEZE is North San Diego County's bus system. With numerous routes to and from neighborhoods and destinations all around San Diego County, the BREEZE provides access to Cal State San Marcos and surrounding locations.

### Sprinter

A modern light-rail system, the SPRINTER runs from Escondido to Oceanside with a stop on-campus at CSUSM and is a great option for getting around North San Diego County. Once you arrive at the CSUSM station, a BREEZE bus services the university with a stop at Craven Circle near the center of the campus.

### MAP KEY

- JOURNEY BY CAR
- LOCAL BEACH
- MOUNTAINS
- TOWN/CITY
- UNIVERSITY
- ATTRACTION

LOS ANGELES  
 1 HOUR 45 MINUTES

ORANGE COUNTY  
 90 MINUTES

PALOMAR MOUNTAIN

OCEANSIDE HARBOUR

VOLCAN MOUNTAIN COUNTY PRESERVE

CARLSBAD BEACH   
CARLSBAD  
 20 MINUTES

CSUSM

SAN DIEGO ZOO SAFARI PARK  
 20 MINUTES

CARDIFF-BY-THE-SEA

PACIFIC BEACH

SOUTH MISSION BEACH   
SAN DIEGO ZOO  
 40 MINUTES

SAN DIEGO  
 40 MINUTES



PALOMAR MOUNTAIN VALLEY

# DEGREE PROGRAMS

## undergraduate

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- ▶ ACT or SAT test not required
- ▶ All graduate applications require a non-refundable \$70 USD application fee
- ▶ 3-year degrees: Accepted per the WES policy (NAAC A-Rated institution and finishing in First Division or higher)
- ▶ Declaration Form required as part of all application submissions

| Program                   | TOEFL iBT  | IELTS   | Duolingo     | PTE          | GPA |
|---------------------------|--|---|--------------|--------------|-----|
| Direct Admit              | 61 (minimum 19 Writing and no other subscore below 14) | 5.5 (minimum 5.5 Writing and no other subscore below 5.0) | 95           | 50           | 2.5 |
| Intensive English Pathway | Not required   | Not required  | Not required | Not required | 2   |
| University Access Program | 51   | 5   | Not accepted | Not accepted | 2   |

[American Indian Studies, BA](#)

[Anthropology: Archaeology, BA](#)

[Anthropology: Biological Anthropology, BA](#)

[Anthropology: Indigenous Anthropology BA](#)

[Anthropology: Medical Anthropology, BA](#)

[Anthropology: Sociocultural](#)

[Anthropology, BA](#)

[Applied Physics, BS\\*](#)

[Arts, Media & Design, BA](#)

[Biochemistry, BS\\*](#)

[Biological Sciences: Ecology, BS\\*](#)

[Biological Sciences: Physiology, BS\\*](#)

[Biotechnology, BS\\*](#)

[Business Administration: Accounting, BS](#)

[Business Administration: Business Analytics, BS\\*](#)

[Business Administration: Finance, BS](#)

[Business Administration: Global Business Management, BS](#)

[Business Administration: Global Supply Chain Management, BS](#)

[Business Administration: Management Information Systems, BS](#)

[Chemistry, BS\\*](#)

[Child/Adolescent Development, BA](#)

[Communication, BA](#)

[Computer Information Systems, BS\\*](#)

[Computer Science, BS\\*](#)

[Criminology and Justice Studies, BA](#)

[Economics, BA](#)

[Engineering: Computer, BS\\*](#)

[Engineering: Electrical, BS\\*](#)

[Engineering: Software, BS\\*](#)

[Environmental Studies, BA\\*](#)

[Ethnic Studies, BA](#)

[Geography, BA](#)

[Global Studies, BA](#)

[History, BA](#)

[Human Development, BA](#)

[Kinesiology, BS](#)

[Liberal Studies, BA](#)

[Linguistics, BA](#)

[Literature and Writing Studies, BA](#)

[Mathematics, BS\\*](#)

[Media Studies, BA](#)

[Music, BA](#)

[Political Science, BA](#)

[Psychology, BA](#)

[Social Sciences: History, BA](#)

[Social Sciences: Linguistics, BA](#)

[Social Sciences: Political Science, BA](#)

[Sociology, BA](#)

[Spanish, BA](#)

[Spanish: Language and Culture, BA](#)

[Spanish: Literature, BA](#)

[Theatre, BA](#)

[Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, BA](#)

\*STEM-designated degree

# graduate

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- ▶ GRE/GMAT waived in 2025
- ▶ All graduate applications require a non-refundable \$70 USD application fee
- ▶ 3-year degrees: Accepted per the WES policy (NAAC A-Rated institution and finishing in First Division or higher)
- ▶ Declaration Form required as part of all application submissions

| Program                                  | TOEFL iBT  | IELTS   | Duolingo | PTE | GPA   |
|--|--|---|----------|-----|---|
| Direct Admit: Biotechnology, MS          | 80   | 6.0 (minimum 6.0 Writing and no other subscore below 5.5) | 110      | 65  | 2.5 in last 60 units  |
| Direct Admit: Business, MBA              |  |   |          |     | 3   |
| Direct Admit: Business Analytics, MS     |  |   |          |     | 3   |
| Direct Admit: Computer Science, MS       |  |   |          |     | 3 (Thesis)<br>2.5 (Non-Thesis)  |
| Direct Admit: Mathematics, MS            |  |   |          |     | 2.5 in last 60 units<br>3.0 in last 30 units  |
| Direct Admit: Public Health, MPH         |  |   |          |     | 2.5 in last 60 units  |
| Direct Admit: Supply Chain Analytics, MS |  |   |          |     | 3   |
| University Access Program                | 61 (minimum 19 Writing and no other subscore below 14) | 5.5 (minimum 5.5 Writing and no other subscore below 5.0) | 95       | N/A | Varies based on degree<br>2.5 Biotechnology MBT (last 60 units)<br>3.0 MBA / Computer Science MS (Thesis) / Business Analytics MS / Supply Chain Analytics MS<br>2.5 Computer Science (Non-Thesis)<br>2.5 Mathematics MS (last 60 units; 3.0 in last 30 units)<br>2.5 Public Health MPH (last 60 units) |

Biotechnology, MBT\*

Business Analytics, MS\*

Business Administration, MBA  
Advanced Study: Business Analytics\*,  
International Business, Supply Chain  
Management

Computer Science, MS\*  
(Thesis and Non-Thesis)

Mathematics, MS\*

Public Health, MPH

Supply Chain Analytics, MS\*

\*STEM-designated degree



Learn more  
about available  
degrees here!

"CSU San Marcos has a lot of support for its international students, both academically, socially, and holistically when it comes to the health of a student. So we have student health and counseling services, which offers a range of services including mental health support. And we have in the same building as the international office, our writing center, we have our STEM support center for the sciences, and just a variety of services that help international students as well as our international office, which is the people who know their context the best. And having lived and worked abroad in very different places, I can empathize with what a student might be going through when they're that far from their home."

**GRANT PARSONS**  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, GLOBAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES





# HOW TO APPLY

You will need to complete an application form and submit the relevant documentation. You can apply through your local education agent.

If you have any questions on your way to becoming a CSUSM Cougar, our knowledgeable Admissions team is ready to assist you: **[admissions@studygroup.com](mailto:admissions@studygroup.com)**







**LOCATION**

**OCEANSIDE PIER**  
20-minute drive  
from campus



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