We’ve given the Pathways site a fresh and modern look, with brand new features alongside familiar resources. The original “Pathways 1.0” hit the road at the beginning of this semester to make way for the new Pathways - which, for the purpose of this guide, we’ll call “Pathways 2.0”. This guide will help build a path between the old and the new, leading you towards a better understanding of how to make the most of this improved resource.

Pathways 2.0 can be accessed at:

www.csun.edu/pathways/

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The Login Page & Shortcuts

These are the new sections in Pathways 2.0!

Each can be easily identified by symbol, title, or color.

"My Plan" and "Reflections" are coming soon - hopefully Spring 2019.

Just click on any of these colorful logos to log in and be brought directly to that page (e.g. "Academic Programs") after entering your CSUN username and password.

Click here to sign in and be brought to the homepage!
In the previous section, we showed you how to access a page, such as "Academic Programs" from the login page. However, it's easy to access this page when you've logged in and been brought to the Homepage too! Just follow these easy steps below:

1. Click the button in the top left corner.
2. Select the "Academic Programs" option from the list that appears.
3. That's it!

REMINDER

From the Login Page (see the previous page, you can access the "Academic Programs" page with a lot less clicks! Just select the graduation cap button from the "All About Pathways" display to bypass the homepage.
The "Academic Programs" page has several key features which will be discussed below!

**Explore CSUN Academic Programs**
This link leads you to a browse feature (to be explored on the following pages) which allows you to find CSUN programs by various criteria.

**University Catalog**
A quick and easy link to CSUN’s catalog of academic programs!

**What Can I Do With This Major**
An outside resource, compiled by the University of Tennessee, which provides students with possible career paths in relation to their major.

**Identify your Interests**
The Interest Profiler activity rewards students with insight into their personal interests and is related to a category in the browse feature which aids students in narrowing their choices!

**Academic Advising Resources at CSUN**
This is where students can download the Student Guide to Academic Advisement as well as find their Advising Resource Center / EOP office.

**Academic Advising vs. Career Counseling**
This video explains the difference between academic advising and career counseling, and described the purposes of these two services.

**Career Counseling at the CSUN Career Center**
This e-learning platform educates students on the career counseling process and demystifies the experience. It even includes a section on what your career counselor will and won’t do.

**GE Paths**
A convenient link to the university’s website providing general education paths.

**Degree Planning Tools**
This resource includes Degree Road Maps or Star Act Transfer Degree Road Maps, Degree Progress Report (DPR)/Planner and the Registration Planner.

**Tutorial on How to Change Major or Minor**
A guide, with information provided from Admission and Records, regarding how to change your major or minor.
To access this exciting feature, select the "Explore CSUN Academic Programs" button on the "Academic Programs" page.

Details on some of the unique features of this page and helpful tips about getting the most from your search can be found on the next page!
There are six filters to help you narrow your search for an academic program.

**KEYWORD SEARCH TIPS**

Type in a single word and it will display any programs which include that word.

For example, the search term "Art" will produce results for African American Arts and Literature (Africana Studies, B.A.) and Animation (Art, B.A.).

If searching for a specific major, avoid using disjointed fragments of the program title.

For example, the search term "Child Development" will not produce a result for Child and Adolescent Development (B.A.), but the phrase "Adolescent Development" will produce this result because the words are next to each other in the major’s title.

**INTEREST THEME TIPS**

You can select 1, 2, or 3 interest themes.

- If you select 1, anything leading with that interest theme will appear.
- If you select 2 or 3, any results with those first 2 or 3 selections will appear in the order that you clicked on them. Numbers will be added in the future to ease this process.

Please note that many combinations do not generate any results. This is not a technical bug and is consistent with this feature in Pathways 1.0. The reason for this phenomenon is that the university does not have academic programs that represent every combination of themes.

Each filter opens a drop down menu.

You now can select items in multiple search categories, just be aware that this will limit your results and at times you may not generate any results. Once you have made your selections, utilizing the tips above, you have merely to click "Apply" to view your results.

Please note that Pathways 1.0's "Alphabet" search tool has been removed from the Pathways 2.0 site.
Another way to find an Academic Program is through the sitewide search feature. This can be accessed from any page on Pathways 2.0, once you have logged in, including those which have been discussed previously.

The example shown is a search with the keyword of "art".

The Sitewide Search defaults to displaying all content on Pathways 2.0. Therefore, you will see content such as Resources, Career Profiles, and Opportunities as well as Academic Programs. An unfiltered search is shown to the right.

To narrow your search, simply filter your search by Content Type. Click the box by "Academic Program", as shown below, and only that type of content will appear. You can click anywhere within a result to be taken to that page.

**SEARCH TIPS**

When using the Sitewide Search, the Content Type filter and exact wording will help you find the program you want.

For example, if searching for a program like the Cinema and Television Arts (B.A.), use the keyword "Cinema" not "CTVA".

Don’t want to use the Sitewide Search? You can also use the Browse feature on the "Academic Programs" page, as detailed on previous pages.
The Description, Essential Information, Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs), and Subject Area sections are unchanged from Pathways 1.0.

Essential Information may include both the expected degree upon completing the major, options (which will soon differentiate between emphasis, concentration, etc.) and other programs of interest - the latter is not shown in this sample.

Not all departments make a Program Video, but those that do offer a great opportunity for a student to learn more about a major!

NEW to Pathways 2.0!
Each program's page features Department Information with contact information for the department, including location, phone number, and links to both the department homepage and the department's specific program pages.

These Interests are the interests chosen for the academic program, not the student's interests from their Interest Profiler activity (see p. 3). A star next to an interest means that the student has the same interest as is suited to the academic program. (This student has all three in common!)
University Catalog Links go directly to corresponding department pages in the University Catalog.

The Academic Plans are the Degree Road Maps and usually only appear for undergraduate programs.

The Related Academic Programs are unchanged from Pathways 1.0.

Career Information is pulled from the university catalog. Like the Academic Advising Information box, it expands to show the entirety of the content.

Professional Associations has been updated, as of 2018.

The Clubs & Orgs feature is coming soon. The clubs and organizations that appear in Matasync will be displayed here.

NEW to Pathways 2.0! STAR Acts is typically only available at the undergraduate level. It provides degree planning tools for transfer students.

Details about the following content can be found on the next page:

• What Can I Do With This Major?
• Candid Career
• Buzzfile
• Related Occupations
• Real World Experience
What Can I Do With This Major?
This resource is a third party site created by the University of Tennessee. Some majors on this site are not exactly the same as CSUN’s, so when we added this resource to the detailed academic program page, we selected the most similar majors. Most CSUN majors are represented here, but can be worded differently - for example, what we term as "Biology" is listed as "Biological Sciences".
Please note we are aware that Deaf Studies is not represented and the and the CSUN Career Center hopes to collaborate with the Deaf Studies Department to develop this content in the future.

Candid Career
This is a new element to the redesigned Pathways 2.0. Again, major terms may not match exactly to CSUN terminology, and we have selected the closest matches. This resource provides videos of professionals, who graduated with these majors, discussing their careers and jobs.

Buzzfile
Another new resource to Pathways 2.0! This site connects majors to employers, and can search by location and industry. The terminology used for academic programs might not match perfectly to CSUN majors.

Related Occupations
This should be familiar from Pathways 1.0. We have pulled together a list of related occupations. When you click on an occupation, it will go directly to that Career Profile in Pathways 2.0. The Career Profile content has also been completely redesigned.

Real-World Experience
This section links to jobs and experiential learning opportunities related to each academic program. This section is still being designed and reviewed, and may not be outputted for launch. Therefore, you may see exciting new changes to it in the near future.

Content varies by major and degree type.
Sections may not appear if not provided by the Department - for instance, the sample academic program above displays a video, but this feature is rarely available. With this exception, the sample provided of the Cinema and Television Arts (B.A.) is typical of an undergraduate degree.

The typical content that can be expected for other degree types is listed below.

Minors, Credentials, & Certificates
These have a compacted display to provide students with a clear, concise understanding of the programs. Typically, these will feature the following elements:

• Description
• Essential Information
• Student Learning Outcomes (rare)
• Department Information
• Interests
• Subject Area
• University Catalog Links
• Academic Advising Information
• Career Information (rare)
• Academic Plans (rare)
• STAR Acts (rare)

Graduate Programs
These pages will resemble the content typically available for undergraduate degrees. Graduate Programs the following primary and additional elements:

All of the features that appear on undergraduate program pages - e.g. the Description, University Catalog Links and resources such as Buzzfile.

PLUS:
• Academic Advisor(s) Contact Information
• Accreditation Information