

# Fall 2019 Advising Checklist First-Time Freshman

**Welcome!** This checklist will help you get started on your academic career at California State, University, Northridge (CSUN). Planning for your freshman year is an exciting time. Freshman advisement and registration activities for Fall 2019 begin on June 10, 2019 with appointment scheduling starting on May 28, 2019. To be eligible to enroll, first-time freshmen must e-file their Intent to Register and complete Title IX training. Be sure to read this checklist for more details.

#### Your Academic Journey at CSUN Begins this Summer!

The Early Start Program serves CSU admitted freshmen who have not demonstrated proficiency in written communication and mathematics as determined by <u>system-wide placement standards</u>. For some students, participation is strongly recommended or even required. Early Start provides students with an opportunity to improve their written communication and/or mathematics placement. All students should visit the CSU Early Start Program Page to find out if they should participate. For more information, visit our <u>Early Start</u> and <u>Early Start FAQ</u> websites.

#### **Activate Your CSUN Account**

Set up your CSUN account and email as explained in the "Activate Your CSUN Account" email from Admissions and Records. This was sent to the email address you provided on your admission application. You will be directed to a webpage to authenticate your identification. Then, you will be able to set your password. For help, visit the Information Technology Help Center. Your CSUN issued Gmail account is the official means of University communication. Use your CSUN email account when contacting CSUN faculty and staff. Be sure to check your CSUN email account regularly for important deadlines and information! Learn more at Student Email.

## **Confirm Your Intent to Register**

Confirm your Intent to Register no later than 11:59 PM on May 1, 2019. Log into myNorthridge from the CSUN homepage. Locate My Checklist and click the Intent to Register link to accept or decline your offer of admission.

For help, see Freshmen and Transfer Students - Intent to Register.

## Send Your High School Transcript

Send your preliminary high school transcript showing completion of your first semester senior year to <u>Admissions and Records</u> as soon as your final grades are posted. Final,

official transcripts verifying your graduation date are due by July 15, 2019. If you completed college-level course work at a California community college while in high school, find out if you can send electronic transcripts through <u>eTranscript California</u>.

#### Find Out if You Need Additional Department Exams

The Math Placement Test (MPT) is required to demonstrate you are fully prepared to enroll in Math 102, 103, 105, 150A or 255A. The Chemistry Placement Test (CPT) is required to enroll in Chemistry 101/L. For more information, see <u>On-Campus Exams</u>.

#### Complete the Title IX-Not Anymore Training

Its purpose is to promote a culture of respect, raise awareness and prevent sexual misconduct. You will meet this requirement by completing an online, video-based educational training program. You may not register for Fall 2019 classes until you complete the online training so please follow these steps as soon as possible:

- Log into myNorthridge with your CSUN user ID and password.
- Look for the *Title 9 (T9)* registration hold in *My Checklist* under the *Incomplete Tasks* section.
- Select the *Not Anymore* link in the *Student Records* paragraph to complete the training and remove the registration hold. Visit our *Access Title IX Training* tutorial for step-by-step instructions if needed.

If, due to personal circumstances, you would like to discuss alternative options for meeting the training requirement, please contact CSUN's Campus Care Advocate and confidential resource at (818) 677-7492.

## Make an Appointment for Freshman Advisement and Registration

Advising sessions begin June 10, 2019. New freshmen must see an advisor in order to register for classes. Check out these three options to determine who will be assisting you:

- Most first-year freshmen receive advising, support and enrollment assistance from the <u>Matador Advising Hub</u>. Be sure to regularly check your CSUN Gmail for important messages from the Hub, including a link to sign up for a freshman registration workshop.
- Incoming <u>EOP</u> freshmen are served by the <u>Student Services Center/EOP Satellite</u> housed in their respective academic college. Exploratory EOP freshmen are served by the <u>Advising Resource Center/EOP Satellite</u>.
- Students participating in the <u>Liberal Studies Integrated Teacher Education Program (ITEP)-Freshmen Option</u> are served by the <u>Liberal Studies Program</u> located in EA 100. Students majoring in all other options of Liberal Studies are served by the <u>Matador Advising Hub</u> throughout their first year at CSUN.

Don't forget to bring copies of any Advanced Placement (AP) exam scores and/or unofficial community college transcripts to your advising appointment. Your advisor needs to know if you have additional college credits that may transfer to CSUN and satisfy degree requirements.

Before your appointment, you should prepare a tentative class schedule to review with your advisor. However, remember that the schedule you create is just for practice. Visit Matadors Rising for helpful tips and resources that promote student success and timely graduation. You should make a list of questions about your major, General Education, Financial Aid and Scholarships, Housing, etc., to ask during your appointment. Bring your CSUN user ID and password so that you can log into myNorthridge and the SOLAR Student Center with your advisor.

#### Allow Two to Three Hours for Your Appointment

Purchase a one-day parking permit from a parking permit dispenser or one of the Information Booths, or take the bus to campus. View our <u>Student Transportation Guide</u> for more information. Arrive on campus early to locate your advisor's office. Download a <u>campus map</u>, including driving directions, or download the <u>CSUN Mobile App</u> to help you find your destination.

## Review the Online University Catalog Prior to Your Advising Session

The <u>Catalog</u> describes every major, all courses CSUN offers, and provides vital information about academic policies and University rules.

# Browse the Schedule of Classes and Use the Registration Planner

Learn about <u>Class Search</u>, <u>Registration Planner</u>, <u>myNorthridge</u> and the <u>SOLAR Student</u> <u>Center</u> with the <u>How To Guides</u>. For more information, see the <u>Registration Calendar</u>.

## Pay Your Tuition and Other Fees on Time

Payment is due when you register for classes, but no later than the deadlines published in the <u>Fee Payment Schedule</u>. Due dates vary by registration date. If you do not pay on time, you will be dropped from courses. Get details on tuition and other fees, installment plans and more at <u>University Cash Services</u>. If you are a financial aid recipient, check out the <u>anticipated aid</u> tutorial.

Remember that it is your responsibility to withdraw from classes if you decide not to attend CSUN. Failure to follow <u>formal withdrawal procedures</u> may result in an obligation to pay fees, the assignment of failing grades, and the need to reapply for admission to the university. Advisors are available to help you if you need to withdraw from classes.

#### Be Sure to Meet the CSU Immunization Requirement

Be sure to meet the CSU immunization requirement for measles, rubella and hepatitis B. If you attended a California public middle or high school, you have probably met the requirements. If not, complete the measles and rubella immunization requirement as soon as possible, but no later than these semesters:

- During your first semester of classes for the measles and rubella immunization requirement, and
- During your second semester for the hepatitis B requirement

Go to the Klotz Student Health Center website to view Immunization Requirements.

#### Regularly Check for Missing Documents and Tasks

Log into *myNorthridge* from the <u>CSUN homepage</u>. Locate *My Checklist*, review your *Incomplete Tasks*, and complete those items as soon as possible. For help, see <u>My Admissions Checklist</u>.

#### Sign Up for Mandatory New Student Orientation

Sign up for mandatory New Student Orientation, held before the start of classes. This program will introduce you to the University, provide useful information, and enable you to meet other members of the freshman class. To register, call (818) 677-4100 or go to <a href="New Student Orientation">New Student Orientation</a> webpage.

## Have Fun Attending Your Classes!

Fall 2019 classes begin Monday, August 26, 2019. Saturday-only and Friday-Saturday classes begin August 24. Sunday-only classes begin August 25. Find time to visit your faculty during office hours too!

#### Attend New Student Convocation

<u>New Student Convocation</u> is scheduled for Thursday, September 12, 2019. This is CSUN's official welcome and introduction to the excitement of learning.

Best wishes for your first semester at CSUN!