



# CSU ADMISSIONS APPLICATION TIPS

Apply at: [www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu)  
Fall 2012 Priority Application Period: 10/1 – 11/30

## **BEFORE WORKING ON THE APPLICATION**

- Consider establishing a separate working email address.** Universities will often communicate ONLY through email about the status of your application and any documents needed to move your application forward for further consideration.
- Collect all college transcripts.** You will be asked to enter ALL colleges attended, including dates of attendance, and where needed, course(s) taken and grades earned.
- Gather financial information.** Your family's financial information is required if you want an application fee waiver for the CSU application and plan or apply for the EOP program.
- Determine residency status.** You need to know how long you have been in California since the CSU system calculates your tuition based on your residency status. AB540 students should look into the AB540 Affidavit.
- Calculate your CSU-transferable g.p.a..**  
The CSU-transferable G.P.A. being asked for on the CSU application is not always the one listed in your WebAdvisor account. Visit the Transfer Center website ([www.ohlone.edu/org/transfer](http://www.ohlone.edu/org/transfer)) and select the orange button GPA CALCULATOR to calculate your CSU-transferable g.p.a. for all CSU-transferable courses taken at all colleges. If you need assistance, visit the Transfer Center. You may also make an appointment with your counselor if you need help calculating your g.p.a..
- Know where you took, when, and the grade you earned on your Golden Fours.**  
ALL CSUs require completion of the Golden Four by the end of Spring for Fall transfer (or Summer for Winter Quarter and Spring Semester transfer, or Fall for Spring Quarter transfer).

At Ohlone College, the courses that meet the Golden Four are:

*(Circle the course you took (are taking) and enter the term, year, and grade earned (or In-Progress/Planned))*

Oral Communication:	Speech 101, 103, 106	Term & Year: _____	Grade Earned: _____
Written Communication:	English 101A	Term & Year: _____	Grade Earned: _____
Critical Thinking:	English 101C; Philosophy 104, 107; Speech 102, 104, 106	Term & Year: _____	Grade Earned: _____
Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning:	Computer Science 113, Math 101A, 156, 159, 163, 166, 167, 167, 181, 188	Term & Year: _____	Grade Earned: _____

- Know your Fall 2011 Class Schedule** (enter ALL courses regardless if transferable or non-transferable)
- Know your Spring 2012 planned class schedule** (enter ALL courses regardless if transferable or non-transferable)
- Check if you already have a CSUMentor account.** ([www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu))

If you applied to Ohlone College using the online application at [www.cccapply.org](http://www.cccapply.org), you already have a CSUMentor account because the same company (XAP) provides the online application service for the California Community Colleges and California State University systems.

To retrieve your CSUMentor account:

1. Visit [www.cccapply.org](http://www.cccapply.org)

2. Choose LOG ON/CREATE ACCOUNT
3. Select the button I FORGOT MY USERNAME OR PASSWORD to retrieve your username and establish a new password. Once you have your username and password, you can use it to log on to CSUMentor and work on your CSU application at [www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu).

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ON THE APPLICATION**

### **PAGE 1: ENROLLMENT INFORMATION**

#### *ENTRY STATUS*

Selecting 60-89.5 semester units will ensure students not having to enter high school coursework on pages 8-9.

<b>Entry Status</b>	
How many total college transferable semester/quarter units will you have completed at time of entry/reentry into CSU? (Include units in progress and planned.)	
<input type="text" value="60-89.5 semester units/90-134.5 quarter units"/>	

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### **PAGE 2. PERSONAL INFORMATION**

#### *APPLICANT INFORMATION*

#### *Social Security Number & AB540*

If AB540, leave the Social Security Number fields blank. Visit the CSU campus website to download the AB540 Affidavit.

<b>Applicant Information</b>	
Social Security number:	<input type="text"/> ### ## ####
Reenter your Social Security number (for verification):	<input type="text"/> ### ## ####

#### *California Statewide Student ID*

The California Statewide Student ID is an id number that followed the student since K-12. Most students do not know it. It is OPTIONAL. Please skip and move forward.

California Statewide Student Identifier (SSID):	<input type="text" value="OPTIONAL"/>	(Optional. For California residents only, if known.)
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### **PAGE 6: HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION**

#### *SAT/ACT Scores*

Transfer applicants: You are not required to complete SAT or ACT information if you will have 60 or more semesters units.

<b>Test Information</b>
Enter test score(s) and date(s) taken or will be taken. Please note: CSU campuses will not use the SAT or ACT writing scores for 2011-2012 admission decisions.
Transfer applicants: You are not required to complete SAT or ACT information if you will have 60 or more semester units (90 or more quarter units).
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#### *TOEFL Scores*

No TOEFL scores required if student has studied three years of more where English is the language of instruction.

<b>TOEFL / IELTS / PTE Academic</b>
TOEFL scores are required of applicants who have not studied full time for at least three years in environments where English is the language of instructions. Some campuses allow students to substitute IELTS or PTE results for the TOEFL.
Please indicate below the scores of the test that you have taken to complete this requirement. Check with the campus to determine the minimum proficiency standards and requirements at that institution.

### **PAGE 7: COLLEGE INFORMATION**

#### *Edit College/University*

Dates of attendance from: Beginning date to end date or projected end date

EDIT COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY	
Please complete the fields on the right as thoroughly as possible. Once done, hit the "update college" link below.	
College/University:	OHLONE COLLEGE (CEEB: 4579)
Location:	FREMONT, CA
Dates of attendance from:	01/2006 to: 07/2007 mm/yyyy
Units completed to date:	9 Term type: Semester
Degree:	None Degree date: mm/yyyy
Fee status:	Resident

## PAGE 10: COLLEGE COURSES

Add all courses regardless of transferability. Students may manually add courses when courses are not found.

ADD COURSE IN PROGRESS	
College:	OHLONE COLLEGE
Term & year:	Fall 2011
	[ change the college term courses ]
Course number & title:	Click here if your course is not in the list below
	Select a course
Unit value:	Select a unit value
Term type:	Semester
<a href="#">[ add course ]</a> <a href="#">[ cancel ]</a>	

## AFTER SUBMITTING THE CSU APPLICATION

It is very important that you check your email and follow instructions from each CSU campus to where you applied and establish your student account. CSU campuses will communicate with you via email and/or that account. If you don't log in and check it every week, you will miss important to do's and deadlines.

Do not jeopardize or complicate your admission the CSU because you did not check your student portal account at least twice a week.

**Adhere to all to do's assigned to you by specified deadlines.** Visit the Transfer Center for assistance with tasks and deadlines in your student portal.

Other common To Do's include:

- \*Completing the FAFSA before March 2<sup>nd</sup>
- \*Submitting all final transcripts by July 15<sup>th</sup>
- \*Request Ohlone to send CSU GE or IGETC certification in June

## NEED HELP?

Drop by an admissions application workshop for assistance. Dates, times, and locations of these workshops are subject to change so verify on the Transfer Center Website ([www.ohlone.edu/org/transfer](http://www.ohlone.edu/org/transfer)).

### Fall 2011 Application Workshops

Date	Time	Location
Wednesday, October 05, 2011	3:00pm - 5:00pm	Transfer Center, Building 7, Third Floor Lobby
Thursday, October 13, 2011	3:00pm - 5:00pm	Transfer Center, Building 7, Third Floor Lobby
Tuesday, October 18, 2011	10:00am - 12:00pm	Transfer Center, Building 7, Third Floor Lobby
Friday, October 28, 2011	Cancelled	Cancelled
Thursday, November 03, 2011	10:00am - 12:00pm	Transfer Center, Building 7, Third Floor Lobby
Wednesday, November 09, 2011	3:00pm - 5:00pm	Transfer Center, Building 7, Third Floor Lobby
Thursday, November 17, 2011	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Hyman Hall 113
Friday, November 18, 2011	10:00am - 12:00pm	Transfer Center, Building 7, Third Floor Lobby
Tuesday, November 29, 2011	9:00am - 5:00pm	Placement Center, Building 7, Second Floor, Room 7205
Wednesday, November 30, 2011	9:00am - 6:00pm	Placement Center, Building 7, Second Floor, Room 7205