Full-Time Freshman Program

The full-time Freshman Program at SDSU Imperial Valley is available to all students that wish to major in Criminal Justice and Psychology. The full-time Freshman program offers an accessible, affordable, high quality education with a clear path to earning a bachelor’s degree in four years. The purpose of the full-time freshman program is to provide students in the Imperial Valley an opportunity to partake in an enriched university experience. This program provides students with full access to the following services:

- **Advising and Mentoring**
  Collaborative advising between SDSU academic advisors in both the lower-division and upper-division general education and major requirements to provide the students with a clear path to earning their degree in four years.

- **Academic Plan for Degree Completion**
  Students will benefit from an academic framework that guides them toward the completion of their undergraduate degree within four years.

- **Student Support Services and Resources**
  Students will have access to all institutional services. These services include financial aid advising, academic advising, career services, student health services, disability services, study abroad, tutoring, library and computer labs.

- **Financial Aid and Scholarships**
  When admitted, students and parents will be informed regarding the availability of the federal student aid programs and the process for applying and receiving aid from these programs.

- **Campus Activities and Events**
  Students can attend and participate in all campus related activities and events.

**Admission Requirements**

All students must meet SDSU’s admission criteria. No additional criteria is required.

All first-time freshmen applying must select one of the majors offered:

- **Criminal Justice**
- **Psychology**
To Apply, Students Must:

- Be a first-time freshman.
- Complete, with a grade of C or higher, the pattern of college preparatory curriculum (“a-g” courses) by the end of spring.
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.0. This GPA is calculated based on grades earned on 10-12 grade “a-g” pattern courses only.
- Take the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT Reasoning Test) and/or the American College Test (ACT).
  - SDSU’s SAT code is 4682
  - SDSU’s ACT code is 0398
  - You can also use the CSU systemwide institution code (3594) on Collegeboard.com to ensure that all CSU campuses to which you apply receive your scores.
  - If you list a CSU campus(es) as an SAT/ACT score report recipient, your scores will automatically be sent to all campuses to which you’ve applied.
- Meet the minimum Eligibility Index. The Eligibility Index is the combination of the students’ high school grade point average and their SAT/ACT test scores.
- The minimum CSU Eligibility Index required is:
  - 2950 using the SAT
  - 694 using the ACT
- Submit an application to:
  - SDSU between October 1 - November 30 at calstate.edu/apply

First-Time Freshman College Preparatory Curriculum

First-time freshman applicants must complete, with grades of C or higher, the 15-unit comprehensive “a-g” pattern of college preparatory courses.

Social Science: 2 years required, including one year of U.S. history and government.

English: 4 years required. Literature and/or composition course are acceptable. Students may only use 1 year of ESL/ELD English.

Mathematics: 3 years required (4 recommended). Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II. Other advanced courses that require algebra and geometry as prerequisites are also acceptable. Computer programming courses do not fulfill the math requirements. A fourth year of mathematics is highly recommended.

Laboratory Science: 2 years required (3 recommended). Two units (equivalent to two years) of laboratory science are required (three units are strongly recommended), providing fundamental knowledge in two of the following: biology, chemistry, or physics. A year-long interdisciplinary, or integrated, or earth and space science course can meet one year of this requirement.

Foreign Language: 2 years required (3 recommended). Two units equivalent to 2 years of the same language other than English.

Visual and Performing Arts: 1 year required. Visual art, dance, drama/theatre or music. (Must be a year-long visual and performing arts course in a single area.)

Electives: 1 year required. College preparatory courses selected from English, advanced mathematics, social studies, history, laboratory science, agriculture, and foreign language.

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Financial Aid and Scholarships Available

To be considered for financial aid and scholarships, students must apply online and complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at fafsa.ed.gov before March 1st deadline.

Scholarship information is available at the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships website sdsu.edu/financialaid