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GENERAL INFORMATION

A0. Respondent Information (Not for Publication)

Name:

Title:

Office: **Institutional Research and Analytics**

~~Yes~~ Yes No

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cannot use the requested analytic convention, cannot
about which you have questions or comments in general.
to refine CDS items.

A1. Address Information

Name of College or University: **California State University, Long Beach**

Mailing Address, City/State/Zip/Country: **1250 Bellflower Blvd,**

Street Address (if different), City/State/Zip/Country: **Long Beach, CA 90840**

Main Phone Number: **562-985-4111**

WWW Home Page Address: **<https://www.csulb.edu/>**

Admissions Phone Number: **562-985-5471**

Admissions Toll-free Number: Click or tap here to enter text.

Admissions Office Mailing Address, City/State/Zip/Country: **1250 Bellflower Blvd, Long Beach, CA 90840**

Admissions Fax Number: **562-985-4973**

Admissions E-mail Address:

If there is a separate URL for your school's online application, please specify: **<https://calstate.liasoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login>**

If you have a mailing address other than the above to which applications should be sent, please provide:

A2. Source of institutional control (*check one only*):

Public

Private (nonprofit)

Proprietary

A3. Classify your undergraduate institution:

Coeducational college

Men's college

Women's college

A4. Academic year calendar

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All other degree-seeking	539	982	3	507	660	4
All other graduates enrolled in credit courses	347	574	2	129	274	
Total Graduate Students	1287	2173	6	821	1269	6
Total All Students	12489	18492	65	3221	3991	15

Total All Undergraduates: 32711

Total All Graduate Students: 5562

Grand Total All Students: 38273

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AWARD TYPE	# AWARDED
Certificate/diploma:	
Associate degrees:	
Bachelor's degrees:	9302
Post-bachelor's certificates:	

B4-B21: Graduation Rates

The items in this section correspond to data elements collected by the IPEDS Web-based Data Collection System's Graduation Rate Survey (GRS).

For complete instructions and definitions of data elements, see the IPEDS GRS Forms and Instructions for the 2022-2023 Survey. <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/use-the-data/survey-components/9/graduation-rates>

In the following section for bachelor's or equivalent programs, please disaggregate the Fall 2015 and Fall 2016 cohorts (formerly CDS B4-B11) into four groups:

Students who received a Federal Pell Grant*
 Recipients of a subsidized Stafford Loan who did not receive a Pell Grant
 Students who did not receive either a Pell Grant or a subsidized Stafford Loan
 Total (all students, regardless of Pell Grant or subsidized loan status)

* Students who received both a Federal Pell Grant and a subsidized Stafford Loan should be reported in the "Recipients of a Federal Pell Grant" column.

For each graduation rate grid below, the numbers in the first three columns for Questions A-G should sum to the cohort total in the fourth column (formerly CDS B4-B11).

For Bachelor's or Equivalent Programs

Please provide data for the **Fall 2016** cohort if available. If **Fall 2016** cohort data are not available, provide data for the **Fall 2015** cohort.

Fall 2016 Cohort

		Recipients of a Federal Pell Grant	Recipients of a Subsidized Stafford Loan who did not receive a Pell Grant	Students who did not receive either a Pell Grant or a subsidized Stafford Loan	Total (sum of 3 columns to the left)
A	Initial 2016 cohort of first-time, full-time, bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students	2021	707	1415	4143
B	Of the initial 2016 cohort, how many did not persist and did not graduate for the following reasons: Deceased Permanently Disabled Armed Forces Foreign Aid Service of the Federal Government Official church missions Report Total Allowable Exclusions				0
C	Final 2016 cohort, after adjusting for allowable exclusions	2021	707	1415	4143
D	Of the initial 2016 cohort, how many completed the program in four years or less (by Aug. 31, 2020)	669	282	626	1577
E	Of the initial 2016 cohort, how many completed the program in more than four years but in five years or less (after Aug. 31, 2020 and by Aug. 31, 2021)	592	201	373	1166

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Fall 2015 Cohort

		Recipients of a Federal Pell Grant	Recipients of a Subsidized Stafford Loan who did not receive a Pell Grant	Students who did not receive either a Pell Grant or a subsidized Stafford Loan	Total (sum of 3 columns to the left)
A	Initial 2015 cohort of first-time, full-time, bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students	2262	492	1645	4399
B	Of the initial 2015 cohort, how many did not persist and did not graduate for the following reasons: Deceased Permanently Disabled Armed Forces Foreign Aid Service of the Federal Government Official church missions Report Total Allowable Exclusions				0
C	Final 2015 cohort, after adjusting for allowable exclusions	2262	492	1645	4399
D	Of the initial 2015 cohort, how many completed the program in four years or less (by Aug. 31, 2019)	651	209	646	1506

E Of the initial 2015 cohort, how many completed the program in more than four years but in five years or less (after Aug. 31, 2019 and by Aug. 31, 2020)

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For Two-Year Institutions

Please provide data for the **2019** cohort if available. If **2019** cohort data are not available, provide data for the **2018** cohort.

		2019 Cohort	2018 Cohort
B12	Initial cohort, total of first-time, full-time degree/certificate-seeking students:		
B13	Of the initial cohort, how many did not persist and did not graduate for the following reasons: Death Permanently Disability Service in the armed forces, Foreign aid service of the federal government Official church missions Report total allowable exclusions		
B14	Final cohort, after adjusting for allowable exclusions:		

B15

B22. Retention Rates

Report for the cohort of all full-time, first-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered in Fall 2021 (or the preceding summer term).

The initial cohort may be adjusted for students who departed for the following reasons:

- * Death
- * Permanent Disability
- *

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C. FIRST-TIME, FIRST-YEAR ADMISSION

C1-C2: Applications

C1. First-time, first-year students: Provide the number of degree-seeking, first-time, first-year students who applied, were admitted, and enrolled (full- or part-time) in **Fall 2022**.

Include early decision, early action, and students who began studies during summer in this cohort.

Applicants should include only those students who fulfilled the requirements for consideration for admission (i.e., who

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WAITING LIST	TOTAL
Number of qualified applicants offered a place on waiting list:	
Number accepting a place on the waiting list:	
Number of wait-listed students admitted:	

Is your waiting list ranked? **Yes** **No**

If yes, do you release that information to students? **Yes** **No**

Do you release that information to school counselors? **Yes** **No**

C6-C7: Basis for Selection

C6. Do you have an open admission policy, under which virtually all secondary school graduates or students with GED equivalency diplomas are admitted without regard to academic record, test scores, or other qualifications?

If so, check which applies:

Open admission policy as described above for all students

Open admission policy as described above for most students, but

Selective admission for out-of-state students

Selective admission to some programs

Other (explain):

C7. Relative importance of each of the following academic and nonacademic factors in your first-time, first-year, degree-seeking general (not including programs with specific criteria) admission decisions.

	Very Important	Important	Considered	Not Considered
<i>Academic</i>				
Rigor of secondary school record				
Class rank				
Academic GPA				
Standardized test scores				
Application Essay				
Recommendation				
<i>Nonacademic</i>				
Interview				
Extracurricular activities				
Talent/ability				
Character/personal qualities				
First generation				
Alumni/ae relation				
Geographical residence				
State residency				
Religious affiliation/commitment				
Racial/ethnic status				
Volunteer work				
Work experience				
Level of applicant's interest				

Please provide additional information if the importance of any specific academic or nonacademic factors differ by academic program.

NA

C8: SAT and ACT Policies

Entrance exams

Does your institution make use of SAT, ACT, or SAT Subject Test scores in **admission** decisions for first-time, first-year, degree-seeking applicants:

Yes No

If yes, place check marks in the appropriate boxes below to reflect your institution's policies for use in admission for **Fall 2023**.

	Require	Recommend	Require for Some	Consider if Submitted	Not Considered
SAT or ACT					
ACT Only					
SAT Only					

C8B. Has been removed from the CDS.

C8C. Has been removed from the CDS.

D. In addition, does your institution use applicants' test scores for academic advising?

Yes No

E. Latest date by which SAT or ACT scores must be received for fall-term admission:

NA

Latest date by which SAT Subject Test scores must be received for fall-term admission:

NA

F. If necessary, use this space to clarify your test policies (e.g., if tests are recommended for some students, or if tests are not required of some students due to differences by academic program, student academic background, or if other examinations may be considered in lieu of the SAT and ACT.)

NA

G. Please indicate which tests your institution uses for **placement (e.g., state tests)**:

SAT

ACT

AP

CLEP

Institutional Exam

State Exam (specify): [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

C9-C12: First-time, first-year Profile

Provide information for **ALL enrolled, degree-seeking, full-time and part-time, first-time, first-year students** enrolled in **Fall 2022**, including students who began studies during summer, international students/nonresidents, and students admitted under special arrangements.

C9. Percent and number of first-time, first-year students enrolled in Fall 2022 who submitted national st

Percent of first-time, first-year students with scores in each range:

Score Range	SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing	SAT Math
700-800		
600-699		
500-599		
400-499		
300-399		
200-299		
	100%	100%

Score Range	SAT Composite
1400-1600	
1200-1399	
1000-1199	
800-999	
600-799	
400-599	
	100%

Score Range	ACT Composite	ACT English	ACT Math	ACT Reading	ACT Science
30-36					
24-29					
18-23					
12-17					
6-11					
Below 6					
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

C10. Percent of all degree-seeking, first-time, first-year student

C13-C20: Admission Policies**C13. Application fee**

If your institution has waived its application fee for the Fall 2022 admission cycle please select no.

Does your institution have an application fee? **Yes No**

Amount of application fee: \$70

Can it be waived for applicants with financial need? **Yes No**

If you have an application fee and an on-line application option, please indicate policy for students who apply on-line:

Same Fee

Free

Reduced

Can on-line application fee be waived for applicants with financial need? Yes No

C14. Application closing date

Does your institution have an application closing date? **Yes No**

	Date
Application closing date (fall)	11/30
Priority Date	

C15. Are first-time, first-year students accepted for terms other than the fall? Yes No

C16. Notification to applicants of admission decision sent *(fill in one only)*

C18. Deferred admission: Does your institution allow students to postpone enrollment after admission?

Yes No

If yes, maximum period of postponement: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

C19. Early admission of high school students: Does your institution allow high school students to enroll as full-time, first-time, first-year students one year or more before high school graduation?

Yes No

C20. Common Application: Question removed from CDS. (Initiated during 2006-2007 cycle)

C21-C22: Early Decision and Early Action Plans

C21. Early decision: Does your institution offer an early decision plan (an admission plan that permits students to apply and be notified of an admission decision well in advance of the regular notification date and that asks students to commit to attending if accepted) for first-time, first-year applicants for fall enrollment?

Yes No

If “yes,” please complete the following:

First or only early decision plan closing date: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

First or only early decision plan notification date: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Other early decision plan closing date: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Other early decision plan notification date: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

For the Fall 2022 entering class:

Number of early decision applications received by your institution: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Number of applicants admitted under early decision plan: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Please provide significant details about your early decision plan: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

C22. Early action: Do you have a nonbinding early action plan whereby students are notified of an admission decision well in advance of the regular notification date but do not have to commit to attending your college?

Yes No

If “yes,” please complete the following:

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D. TRANSFER ADMISSION

D1-D2: Fall Applicants

D1. Does your institution enroll transfer students? **Yes**

(on a 4.0 scale):

2

D8. List any other application requirements specific to transfer applicants:

NA

D9.

D16. Minimum number of credits that transfers must complete at your institution to earn a bachelor's degree:

30

D17. Describe other transfer credit policies:

D18-D22: Military Service Transfer Credit Policies

D18. Does your institution accept the following military/veteran transfer credits:

American Council on Education (ACE)	Yes	No
College Level Examination Program (CLEP)	Yes	No
DANTES Subject Standardized Tests (DSST)	Yes	No

D19. Maximum number of credits or courses that may be transferred based on military education evaluated by the American Council on Education (ACE):

Number: Unit type:

D20. Maximum number of credits or courses that may be transferred based on Department of Defense supported prior learning assessments (College Level Examination Program (CLEP) or DANTES Subject Standardized Tests (DSST)):

Number: Unit type:

D21. Are the military/veteran credit transfer policies published on your website? Yes No

If yes, please provide the URL where the policy can be located:

D22. Describe other military/veteran transfer credit policies unique to your institution:

E. ACADEMIC OFFERINGS AND POLICIES

E1. Special study options: Identify those programs available at your institution. Refer to the glossary for definitions.

Accelerated program	Honors program
Comprehensive transition and postsecondary program for students with intellectual disabilities	Independent study
Cross-registration	Internships
Distance learning	Liberal arts/career combination
Double major	Student-designed major
Dual enrollment	Study abroad
English as a Second Language (ESL)	Teacher certification program
Exchange student program (domestic)	Undergraduate Research
External degree program	Weekend college
Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text.	

E2. Has been removed from the CDS.

E3. Areas in which all or most students are required to complete some course work prior to graduation:

Arts/fine arts	Humanities
Computer literacy	Intensive writing
English (including composition)	Mathematics
Foreign languages	Philosophy
History	Sciences (biological or physical)
Physical Education	Social Science
Other (specify): Click or tap here to enter text.	

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G. ANNUAL EXPENSES

G0. Please provide the URL of your

Maximum: 18

G3. Do tuition and fees vary by year of study (e.g., sophomore, junior, senior)?

Yes No

G4. Do tuition and fees vary by undergraduate instructional program?

Yes No

If yes, what percentage of full-time undergraduates pay more than the tuition and fees reported in G1?

%

G5. Provide the estimated expenses for a typical full-time undergraduate student:

	Residents	Commuters (living at home)	Commuters (not living at home)
Books and supplies:	\$1490	\$1490	\$1490
Room only:			
Board only:			
Room and board total*			\$17166
Transportation:	\$1422	\$2038	\$2572
Other expenses:	\$2884	\$2694	\$3376

* If your college cannot provide separate room and board figures for commuters not living at home

G6. Undergraduate per-credit-hour charges (tuition only):

PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS:	
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS:	

H. FINANCIAL AID

Please refer to the following financial aid definitions when completing Section H.

Awarded aid: The dollar amounts offered to financial aid applicants.

Financial aid applicant: Any applicant who submits **any one of** the institutionally required financial aid applications/forms, such as the FAFSA.

Indebtedness: Aggregate dollar amount borrowed through any loan program (federal, state, subsidized, unsubsidized, private, etc.; excluding parent loans) while the student was enrolled at an institution. Student loans co-signed by a parent are assumed to be the responsibility of the student and **should** be included.

Institutional scholarships and grants: Endowed scholarships, annual gifts and tuition funded grants for which the institution determines the recipient.

Financial need: As determined by your institution using the federal methodology and/or your institution's own standards.

Need-based aid: College-funded or college-administered award from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must have financial need to qualify. This includes both institutional and non-institutional student aid (grants, jobs, and loans).

Need-based scholarship or grant aid: Scholarships and grants from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must have financial need to qualify.

Need-based self-help aid: Loans and jobs from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must demonstrate financial need to qualify.

Non-need-based scholarship or grant aid: Scholarships and grants, gifts, or merit-based aid from institutional, state, federal, or other sources (including unrestricted funds or gifts and endowment income) awarded solely on the basis of academic achievement, merit, or any other non-need-based reason. When reporting questions H1 and H2, non-need-based aid that is used to meet need should be counted as need-based aid.

Note: Suggested order of precedence for counting non-need money as need-based:

1. Non-need institutional grants
2. Non-need tuition waivers
3. Non-need athletic awards
4. Non-need federal grants
5. Non-need state grants
6. Non-need outside grants
7. Non-need student loans

Aid Awarded to Enrolled Undergraduates

H1. Enter total dollar amounts **awarded** to enrolled full-time and less than full-time degree-seeking undergraduates (**using the same cohort reported in CDS Question B1, “total degree-seeking” undergraduates**) in the following categories.

If the data being reported are final figures for the 2021-2022 academic year (see the next item below), use the 2021-2022 academic year's CDS Question B1 cohort.

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	Need-based (Include non-need-based aid use to meet need.)	Non-need-based (Exclude non-need-based aid use to meet need.)
Tuition Waivers Note: Reporting is optional. Report tuition waivers in this row if you choose to report them. Do not report tuition waivers elsewhere.		
Athletic Awards	\$551,022	\$2,286,619

H2. Number of Enrolled Students Awarded Aid: List the number of degree-seeking full-time and less-than-full-time undergraduates who applied for and were awarded financial aid from any source.

Aid that is non-need-based but that was used to meet need should be counted as need-based aid.

Numbers should reflect the cohort awarded the dollars reported in H1.

In the chart below, students may be counted in more than one row, and full-time, first-time, first-year students should also be counted as full-time undergraduates.

Do NOT include any aid related to the CARES Act or unique to the COVID-19 pandemic.

		Full-time, First-time, First-Year	Full-time Undergrad (Incl. Fresh)	Less Than Full-time Undergrad
A	Number of degree-seeking undergraduate students (CDS Item B1 if reporting on Fall 2022 cohort)	5,240	27,580	5,131
B	Number of students in line a who applied for need-based financial aid	4,819	22,867	3,661

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		Full-time, First-time, First-Year	Full-time Undergrad (Incl. Fresh)	Less Than Full-time Undergrad
M	Average need-based loan (<u>excluding PLUS loans, unsubsidized loans, and private alternative loans</u>) of those in line f who were awarded a need-based loan	\$3,585	\$4,865	\$5,072

H2A. Number of Enrolled Students Awarded Non-need-based Scholarships and Grants: List the number of degree-seeking full-time and less-than-full-time undergraduates who ha

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H5. Number and percent of students in class (defined in H4 ~~are~~) borrowing from federal, non-federal, and any loan sources, and the average (mean) amount borrowed.

x

H7. Check off all financial aid forms nonresident first-year financial aid applicants must submit:

Institution's own financial aid form
CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE
International Student's Financial Aid Application
International Student's Certification of Finances
Other: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Process for First-Year Students

H8. Check off all financial aid forms domestic first-year financial aid applicants must submit:

FAFSA
Institution's own financial aid form
CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE
State aid form
Noncustodial PROFILE
Business/Farm Supplement
Other: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

H9. Indicate filing dates for first-year students:

Priority date for filing required financial aid forms:

03/02/2022

Deadline for filing required financial aid forms:

06/15/2022

No deadline for filing required forms (applications processed on a rolling basis)

H10.

Other (specify): [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

H13. Need Based Scholarships and Grants

- Federal Pell
- SEOG
- State scholarships/grants
- Private Scholarships
- College/university scholarship or grant aid from institutional funds
- United Negro College Fund
- Federal Nursing Scholarship
- Other (specify): [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

H14. Check off criteria used in awarding institutional aid. Check all that apply.

	Non-Need Based	Need-Based
Academics		
Alumni affiliation		
Art		
Athletics		
Job skills		
ROTC		
Leadership		
Minority status		
Music/drama		
Religious affiliation		
State/district residency		

I. INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY AND CLASS SIZE

I-1. Please report the number of instructional faculty members in each category for Fall 2022. Include faculty who are on your institution's payroll on the census date your institution uses for IPEDS/AAUP.

The following definition of full-time instructional faculty is used by the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) in its annual Faculty Compensation Survey (the part time definitions are not used by AAUP). Instructional Faculty is defined as those members of the instructional-research staff whose major regular assignment is instruction, including those with released time for research. Use the chart below to determine inclusions and exclusions:

		Full-time	Part-time
A	Instructional faculty in preclinical and clinical medicine, faculty who are not paid (e.g., those who donate their services or are in the military), or research-only faculty, post-doctoral fellows, or pre-doctoral fellows	Exclude	Include only if they teach one or more non-clinical credit courses
B	Administrative officers with titles such as dean of students, librarian, registrar, coach, and the like, even though they may devote part of their time to classroom instruction and may have faculty status	Exclude	Include if they teach one or more non-clinical credit courses
C	Other administrators/staff who teach one or more non-clinical credit courses even though they do not have faculty status	Exclude	Include
D	Undergraduate or graduate students who assist in the instruction of courses, but have titles such as teaching assistant, teaching fellow, and the like	Exclude	Exclude
E	Faculty on sabbatical or leave with pay	Include	Exclude
F	Faculty on leave without pay	Exclude	Exclude
G	Replacement faculty for faculty on sabbatical leave or leave with pay	Exclude	Include

Full-time instructional faculty: faculty employed on a full-time basis for instruction (including those with released time for research)

Part-time instructional faculty: Adjunctculty:

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		Full-time	Part-time	Total
A	Total number of instructional faculty	1033	1502	2535
B	Total number who are members of minority groups	411	528	939
C	Total number who are women	547	803	1350
D	Total number who are men	483	692	1175
E	Total number who are nonresidents (international)	28	17	45
F	Total number with doctorate, or other terminal degree	816	612	1428
G	Total number whose highest degree is a master's but not a terminal master's	194	72	922
H	Total number whose highest degree is a bachelor's	17	128	145
I	Total number whose highest degree is unknown or other (Note: Items f , g , h , and i must sum up to item a .)	6	35	41
J	Total number in stand-alone graduate/professional programs in which faculty teach virtually only graduate-level students	66	153	219

I-2. Student to Faculty Ratio

Report the Fall 2022 ratio of full-time equivalent students (full-time plus 1/3 part time) to full-time equivalent instructional faculty (full time plus 1/3 part time). In the ratio calculations, exclude both faculty and students in stand-alone graduate or professional programs such as medicine, law, veterinary, dentistry, social work, business, or public health in which faculty teach virtually only graduate level students.

Do not count undergraduate or graduate student teaching assistants as faculty.

Fall 2022 Student to Faculty ratio: 26 to 1

Based on 35308.2 students and 1265.08 faculty)

J. Disciplinary areas of DEGREES CONFERRED**Degrees conferred between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022**

For each of the following discipline areas, provide the percentage of diplomas/certificates, associate, and bachelor's degrees awarded. To determine the percentage, use majors, not headcount (e.g., students with one degree but a double major will be represented twice). Calculate the percentage from your institution's IPEDS Completions by using the sum of 1st and 2nd majors for each CIP code as the numerator and the sum of the Grand Total by 1st Majors and the Grand Total by 2nd major as the denominator. If you prefer, you can compute the percentages using 1st majors only.

Category	Diploma/ Certificates	Associate	Bachelor's	CIP 2020 Categories to Include
Agriculture				01
Natural resources and conservation			.44	03

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Category	Diploma/ Certificates	Associate	Bachelor's	CIP 2020 Categories to Include
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All definitions related to the financial aid section appear at the end of the Definitions document.

Items preceded by an asterisk (*) represent definitions agreed to among publishers which do not appear on the CDS document but may be present on individual publishers' surveys.

Additional guidance for some terms, particularly those common with the IPEDS survey, may be found here:
<https://surveys.nces.ed.gov/ipeds/public/glossary>

***Academic advisement:** Plan under which each student is assigned to a faculty member or a trained adviser, who, through regular meetings, helps the student plan and implement immediate and long-term academic and vocational goals.

Accelerated program: Completion of a college program of study in fewer than the usual number of years, most often by attending summer sessions and carrying extra courses during the regular academic term.

Admitted student: Applicant who is offered admission to a degree-granting program at your institution.

***Adult student services:** Admission assistance, support, orientation, and other services expressly for adults who have started college for the first time, or who are re-entering after a lapse of a few years.

American Indian or Alaska Native: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America) and maintaining tribal affiliation or community attachment.

Applicant (first-time, first year): An individual who has fulfilled the institution's requirements to be considered for admission (including payment or waiving of the application fee, if any) and who has been notified of one of the following actions: admission, nonadmission, placement on waiting list, or application withdrawn (by applicant or institution).

Application fee: That amount of money that an institution charges for processing a student's application for acceptance. This amount is *not* creditable toward tuition and required fees, nor is it refundable if the student is not admitted to the institution.

Asian: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent, including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.

Associate degree: An award that normally requires at least two but less than four years of full-time equivalent college work.

Bachelor's degree: An award (baccalaureate or equivalent degree, as determined by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education) that normally requires at least four years but *not* more than five years of full-time equivalent college-level work. This includes ALL bachelor's degrees conferred in a five-year cooperative (work-study plan) program. (A cooperative plan provides for alternate class attendance and employment in business, industry, or government; thus, it allows students to combine actual work experience with their college studies.) Also, it includes bachelor's degrees in which the normal four years of work are completed in three years.

Black or African American: A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.

Board (charges):

College-preparatory program: Courses in academic subjects (English, history and social studies, foreign languages, mathematics, science, and the arts) that stress preparation for college or university study.

Common Application: The standard application form distributed by the National Association of Secondary School Principals for a large number of private colleges who are members of the Common Application Group.

***Community service program:** Referral center for students wishing to perform volunteer work in the community or participate in volunteer activities coordinated by academic departments.

Commuter: A student who lives off campus in housing that is not owned by, operated by, or affiliated with the college. This category includes students who commute from home and students who have moved to the area to attend college.

Comprehensive transition and postsecondary program for students with intellectual disabilities: Programs designed to support postsecondary students with intellectual disabilities obtain instruction in academic, career and technical, and independent living subjects in preparation for employment.

Clock hour: A unit of measure that represents an hour of scheduled instruction given to students. Also referred to as contact hour.

Continuous basis (for program enrollment): A calendar system classification that is used by institutions that enroll students at any time during the academic year. For example, a cosmetology school or a word processing school might allow students to enroll and begin studies at various times, with no requirement that classes begin on a certain date.

Cooperative education program: A program that provides for alternate class attendance and employment in business, industry, or government.

Cooperative housing: College-owned, -operated, or -affiliated housing in which students share room and board expenses and participate in household chores to reduce living expenses.

***Counseling service:** Activities designed to assist students in making plans and decisions related to their education, career, or personal development.

Credit: Recognition of attendance or performance in an instructional activity (course or program) that can be applied by a recipient toward the requirements for a degree, diploma, certificate, or recognized postsecondary credential.

Credit course: A course that, if successfully completed, can be applied toward the number of courses required for achieving a degree, diploma, certificate, or other recognized postsecondary credential.

Credit hour: A unit of measure representing an hour (50 minutes) of instruction over a 15-week period in a semester or trimester system or a 10-week period in a quarter system. It is applied toward the total number of hours needed for completing the requirements of a degree, diploma, certificate, or recognized postsecondary credential.

Cross-registration: A system whereby students enrolled at one institution may take courses at another institution without having to apply to the second institution.

Deferred admission: The practice of permitting admitted students to postpone enrollment, usually for a period of one academic term or one year.

Degree: An award conferred by a college, university, or other postsecondary education institution as official recognition for the successful completion of a program of studies.

Degree-seeking students: Students enrolled in courses for credit who are recognized by the institution as seeking a degree or recognized postsecondary credential. At the undergraduate level, this is intended to include students enrolled in vocational or occupational programs.

Differs by program (calendar system): A calendar system classification that is used by institutions that have occupational/vocational programs of varying length. These schools may enroll students at specific times depending on the program desired. For example, a school might offer a two-month program in January, March, May, September, and November; and a three-month program in January, April, and October.

Diploma: See **Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma.**

Distance learning: An option for earning course credit at off-campus locations via cable television, internet, satellite classes, videotapes, correspondence courses, or other means.

Doctor's degree-research/scholarship: A Ph.D. or other doctor's degree that requires advanced work beyond the master's level, including the preparation and defense of a dissertation based on original research, or the planning and execution of an original project demonstrating substantial artistic or scholarly achievement. Some examples of this type of degree may include Ed.D., D.M.A., D.B.A., D.Sc., D.A., or D.M., and others, as designated by the awarding institution.

Doctor's degree-professional practice: A doctor's degree that is conferred upon completion of a program providing the knowledge and skills for the recognition, credential, or license required for professional practice. The degree is awarded after a period of study such that the total time to the degree, including both pre-professional and professional preparation, equals at least six full-time equivalent academic years. Some of these degrees were formerly classified as "first-professional" and may include: Chiropractic (D.C. or D.C.M.); Dentistry (D.D.S. or D.M.D.); Law (L.L.B. or J.D.); Medicine (M.D.); Optometry (O.D.); Osteopathic Medicine (D.O); Pharmacy (Pharm.D.); Podiatry (D.P.M., Pod.D., D.P.); or, Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M.), and others, as designated by the awarding institution.

Doctor's degree-other: A doctor's degree that does not meet the definition of a doctor's degree - research/scholarship or a doctor's degree - professional practice.

Double major: Program in which students may complete two undergraduate programs of study simultaneously.

Dual enrollment: A program through which high school students may enroll in college courses while still enrolled in high school. Students are not required to apply for admission to the college in order to participate.

Early action plan: An admission plan that allows students to apply and be notified of an admission decision well in advance of the regular notification dates. If admitted, the candidate is not committed to enroll; the student may reply to the offer under the college's regular reply policy.

Early admission: A policy under which students who have not completed high school are admitted and enroll full time in college, usually after completion of their junior year.

Early decision plan: A plan that permits students to apply and be notified of an admission decision (and financial aid offer if applicable) well in advance of the regular notification date. Applicants agree to accept an offer of admission and, if admitted, to withdraw their applications from other colleges. There are three possible decisions for early decision applicants: admitted, denied, or not admitted but forwarded for consideration with the regular applicant pool, without prejudice.

English as a Second Language (ESL): A course of study designed specifically for students whose native language is not English.

Exchange student program-domestic: Any arrangement between a student and a college that permits study for a semester or more at another college **in the United States** without extending the amount of time required for a degree. **See also Study abroad.**

External degree program: A program of study in which students earn credits toward a degree through independent study, college courses,

Grade-point average (academic high school GPA): The sum of grade points a student has earned in secondary school divided by the number of courses taken. The most common system of assigning numbers to grades counts four points for an A, three points for a B, two points for a C, one point for a D, and no points for an E or F. Unweighted GPA's assign the same weight to each course. Weighting gives students additional points for their grades in advanced or honors courses.

Graduate student: A student who holds a bachelor's or equivalent, and is taking courses at the post-baccalaureate level.

***Health services:** Free or low cost on-campus primary and preventive health care available to students.

High school diploma or recognized equivalent: A document certifying the successful completion of a prescribed secondary school program of studies, or the attainment of satisfactory scores on the Tests of General Educational Development (GED), or another state-specified examination.

Hispanic or Latino: A person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

Honors program: Any special program for very able students offering the opportunity for educational enrichment, independent study, acceleration, or some combination of these.

Independent study: Academic work chosen or designed by the student with the approval of the department concerned, under an instructor's supervision, and usually undertaken outside of the regular classroom structure.

In-state tuition: The tuition charged by institutions to those students who meet the state's or institution's residency requirements.

International student: See **Nonresident**.

International student group: Student groups that facilitate cultural dialogue, support a diverse campus, assist international students in acclimation and creating a social network.

Internship: Any short-term, supervised work experience usually related to a student's major field, for which the student earns academic credit. The work can be full- or part-time, on- or off-campus, paid or unpaid.

***Learning center:** Center offering assistance through tutors, workshops, computer programs, or audiovisual equipment in reading, writing, math, and skills such as taking notes, managing time, taking tests.

***Legal services:** Free or low cost legal advice for a range of issues (personal and other).

Liberal arts/career combination:

Out-of-state tuition: The tuition charged by institutions to those students who do

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Religious affiliation/commitment (as admission factor): Special consideration given in the admission process for affiliation with a certain church or faith/religion, commitment to a religious vocation, or observance of certain religious tenets/lifestyle.

***Religious counseling:** One-on-one or group counseling with trained professionals for students who want to explore religious problems or issues.

***Remedial services:** Instructional courses designed for students deficient in the general competencies necessary for a regular postsecondary curriculum and educational setting.

Required fees: Fixed sum charged to students for items not covered by tuition and required of such a large proportion of all students that the student who does NOT pay is the exception. Do not include application fees or optional fees such as lab fees or parking fees.

Room and board (charges)—on campus: Assume double occupancy in institutional housing and 19 meals per week (or maximum meal plan).

Secondary school record (as admission factor): Information maintained by the secondary school that may include such things as the student's high school transcript, class rank, GPA, and teacher and counselor recommendations.

Semester calendar system:

Volunteer work (as admission factor): Special consideration given to students for activity done on a volunteer basis (e.g., tutoring, hospital care, working with the elderly or disabled) as a service to the community or the public in general.

Wait list: List of students who meet the admission requirements but will only be offered a place in the class if space becomes available.

Weekend college: A program that allows students to take a complete course of study and attend classes only on weekends.

White: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

***Women's center:** Center with programs, academic activities, and/or services intended to promote an understanding of the evolving roles of women.

Work experience (as admission factor): Special consideration given to students who have been employed prior to application, whether for relevance to major, demonstration of employment-related skills, or as explanation of student's academic and extracurricular record.

Financial Aid Definitions

External scholarships and grants: Scholarships and grants received from outside (private) sources that students bring with them (e.g., Kiwanis, National Merit scholarships). The institution may process paperwork to receive the dollars, but it has no role in determining the recipient or the dollar amount awarded.

Financial aid applicant: Any applicant who submits **any one of** the institutionally required financial aid applications/forms, such as the FAFSA.

Indebtedness: Aggregate dollar amount borrowed through any loan program (federal, state, subsidized, unsubsidized, private, etc.; excluding parent loans) while the student was enrolled at an institution. Student loans co-signed by a parent are assumed to be the responsibility of the student and **should** be included.

Institutional scholarships and grants: Endowed scholarships, annual gifts and tuition funded grants for which the institution determines the recipient.

Financial need: As determined by your institution using the federal methodology and/or your institution's own standards.

Need-based aid: College-funded or college-administered award from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must have financial need to qualify. This includes both institutional and non-institutional student aid (grants, jobs, and loans).

Need-based scholarship or grant aid: Scholarships and grants from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must have financial need to qualify.

Need-based self-help aid: Loans and jobs from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must demonstrate financial need to qualify.

Non-need-based scholarship or grant aid: Scholarships and grants, gifts, or merit-based aid from institutional, state, federal, or other sources (including unrestricted funds or gifts and endowment income) awarded solely on the basis of academic achievement, merit, or any other non-need-based reason. When reporting questions H1 and H2, non-need-based aid that is used to meet need should be counted as need-based aid.

Note: Suggested order of precedence for counting non-need money as need-based:

1. Non-need institutional grants
2. Non-need tuition waivers
3. Non-need athletic awards
4. Non-need federal grants
5. Non-need state grants
6. Non-need outside grants
7. Non-need student loans
8. Non-need parent loans
9. Non-need work

Non-need-based self-help aid: Loans and jobs from institutional, state, or other sources for which a student need not demonstrate financial need to qualify.

Work study and employment: Federal and state work study aid, and any employment packaged by your institution in financial aid awards.