CSU The California State University

PROPOSAL TO MODIFY FIRST-YEAR ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The existing 'a-g' requirements for admission to the California State University have remained unchanged for more than 20 years. Yet, the preparation needed to be successful in college, the workforce and virtually every aspect of life has changed. This is particularly true for high-demand, high-paying STEM careers, where racial and gender disparities persist.

To ensure that California's students have not just access to higher education, but also the opportunity to earn a high-value degree that prepares them for the future, the CSU is proposing expanding the 'a-g' requirements that determine minimum eligibility for CSU admission to require the completion of one additional quantitative reasoning course. The proposed implementation term is fall 2026 to ensure ample time for planning, communication and capacity building, particularly at high schools that currently have fewer course options.

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MULTIPLE PATHWAYS FOR STUDENTS TO FULFILL THE REQUIREMENT

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