



## Recommended Courses for Freshmen

CSUN is a great place for students to begin their university studies! As a large, comprehensive university, CSUN has more than 100 degree and credential programs and offers approximately 9,000 classes each semester. There are many introductory-level courses that are open to Semester at CSUN (SAC) students with limited or no prior university experience (Freshman level)—no course prerequisites required.

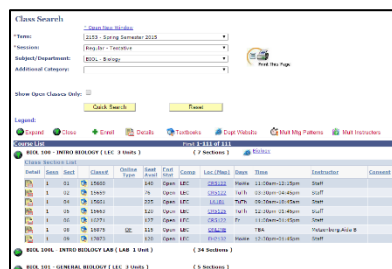
Here are the most popular courses for SAC students entering CSUN at the Freshman level. These are courses that we recommend for Freshmen and gap year students.

### Top CSUN Courses for Freshmen

| <u>Catalog Number</u> | <u>Course Title (Units)</u>                               |
|-----------------------|---|
| <u>ACCT 220</u>       | Introduction to Financial Accounting (3)                  |
| <u>ANTH 150</u>       | The Human Adventure: Introduction to Anthropology (3)     |
| <u>ANTH 152</u>       | Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3)                 |
| <u>ART 124A</u>       | Drawing I (3)   |
| <u>ART 140</u>        | Beginning Two-Dimensional Design (3)                      |
| <u>ART 151</u>        | Photography as Art (3)                                    |
| <u>BUS 104</u>        | Introduction to Business (3)                              |
| <u>CIT 160/L</u>      | Internet Technologies / Lab (3)                           |
| <u>COMS 151/L</u>     | Fundamentals of Public Speaking / Lab (3)                 |
| <u>CTVA 100</u>       | Introduction to Mass Communication Arts (3)               |
| <u>ECON 101</u>       | Economics for Everyday Life (3)                           |
| <u>ENGL 205</u>       | Business Communication (3)                                |
| <u>EOH 101</u>        | Introduction to Environmental and Occupational Health (3) |
| <u>GEOG 107</u>       | Introduction to Human Geography (3)                       |
| <u>HSCI 131</u>       | Health and Society (3)                                    |
| <u>HUM 101</u>        | Forms and Ideas in Humanities (3)                         |
| <u>JOUR 100</u>       | Mass Communication (3)                                    |
| <u>LING 200</u>       | How Language Matters: Introduction to Linguistics (3)     |
| <u>PHIL 165</u>       | Today's Moral Issues (3)                                  |
| <u>PHIL 170</u>       | Philosophy and Popular Culture (3)                        |
| <u>PHIL 200</u>       | Critical Reasoning (3)                                    |
| <u>POLS 155</u>       | American Political Institutions (3)                       |
| <u>PSY 150</u>        | Introduction to Psychology (3)                            |
| <u>RS 150</u>         | World Religions (3)                                       |
| <u>RS 204</u>         | Religion, Logic and the Media (3)                         |
| <u>SOC 150</u>        | Introductory Sociology (3)                                |
| <u>URBS 150</u>       | The Urban Scene (3)                                       |

For more information, CSUN's schedule of classes for each semester is accessible online:

<http://www.csun.edu/class-search>





All of the courses listed here are open to SAC students entering CSUN at the Freshman level, pending availability. This is not a complete list—there may be more! The SAC academic advisors will help students select the classes that are the best fit.

| <b>Catalog Number</b>                                   | <b>Course Title (Units)</b>                          |
|---|--|
| <b>Humanities, Social Sciences, Behavioral Sciences</b> |  |
| <u>ANTH 150</u>   | The Human Adventure: Intro to Anthropology (3)       |
| <u>ANTH 152</u>   | Culture and Human Behavior (3)                       |
| <u>ANTH 232</u>   | Expressive Culture (3)                               |
| <u>CLAS 315</u>   | Greek and Roman Mythology (3)                        |
| <u>ENGL 208</u>   | Creative Writing (3)                                 |
| <u>ENGL 255</u>   | Introduction to Literature (3)                       |
| <u>GWS 100</u>  | Introduction to Gender and Women's Studies (3)       |
| <u>GEOG 107</u>   | Introduction to Human Geography (3)                  |
| <u>GEOG 108</u>   | Earth From Above (3)                                 |
| <u>GEOG 150</u>   | World Geography (3)                                  |
| <u>HIST 150</u>   | Western Civilization I (3)                           |
| <u>HIST 151</u>   | Western Civilization II (3)                          |
| <u>HIST 270</u>   | The United States to 1865 (3)                        |
| <u>HIST 271</u>   | The United States Since 1865 (3)                     |
| <u>HUM 101</u>  | Forms and Ideas in Humanities (3)                    |
| <u>LING 200</u>   | How Language Matters: Intro to Linguistics (3)       |
| <u>LING 250</u>   | Languages in California (3)                          |
| <u>PHIL 100</u>   | General Logic (4)                                    |
| <u>PHIL 165</u>   | Today's Moral Issues (3)                             |
| <u>PHIL 170</u>   | Philosophy and Popular Culture (3)                   |
| <u>PHIL 180</u>   | Human Nature and the Meaning of Life (3)             |
| <u>PHIL 200</u>   | Critical Reasoning (3)                               |
| <u>PHIL 201</u>   | Ancient Philosophy (3)                               |
| <u>PHIL 202</u>   | Modern Philosophy (3)                                |
| <u>POLS 155</u>   | American Political Institutions (3)                  |
| <u>POLS 197</u>   | Racial and Ethnic Politics (3)                       |
| <u>POLS 350</u>   | Great Questions in Politics (3)                      |
| <u>PSY 150</u>  | Introduction to Psychology (3)                       |
| <u>RS 100</u>   | Introduction to Religious Studies (3)                |
| <u>RS 150</u>   | World Religions (3)                                  |
| <u>RS 204</u>   | Religion, Logic and the Media (3)                    |
| <u>RS 255</u>   | American Political Institutions and Religion (3)     |
| <u>SOC 150</u>  | Introductory Sociology (3)                           |
| <u>SOC 250</u>  | Introduction to Crime and Criminal Justice (3)       |
| <u>SUST 300</u>   | Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Sustainability (3) |
| <u>URBS 150</u>   | The Urban Scene (3)                                  |
| <u>URBS 250</u>   | Planning the Multiethnic City (3)                    |
| <b>Business</b>   |  |
| <u>ACCT 220</u>   | Introduction to Financial Accounting (3)             |
| <u>BLAW 280</u>   | Business Law I (3)                                   |
| <u>BUS 104</u>  | Introduction to Business (3)                         |
| <u>ECON 101</u>   | Economics for Everyday Life (3)                      |
| <u>ECON 156</u>   | Introduction to Economic Analysis and Policy (3)     |
| <u>ECON 160</u>   | Principles of Microeconomics (3)                     |
| <u>ECON 175</u>   | Introduction to U.S. Economic History                |
| <u>ENGL 205</u>   | Business Communication (3)                           |
| <u>ENGL 306</u>   | Report Writing (3)                                   |
| <u>FIN 102</u>  | Financial Literacy (3)                               |
| <u>FIN 302</u>  | Personal Finance (3)                                 |
| <u>MATH 103</u>   | Mathematical Methods for Business (3)                |
| <u>PHIL 305</u>   | Business Ethics and Public Policy (3)                |
| <u>SOM 120</u>  | Basic Business Statistics (3)                        |

| <b>Catalog Number</b>                                    | <b>Course Title (Units)</b>   |
|--|---|
| <b>Math, Science, Computer Science, Engineering</b>      |   |
| <u>ASTR 152</u>  | Elementary Astronomy (3)  |
| <u>BIOL 100</u>  | Introductory Biology (3)<br><i>Note: A 1-unit lab course, BIOL 100L, is also available.</i>       |
| <u>BIOL 327</u>  | Ecology and People (3)  |
| <u>CHEM 100</u>  | Principles of Chemistry (3)<br><i>Note: A 1-unit lab course, CHEM 100L, is also available.</i>    |
| <u>CIT 101/L</u>   | Computer Information Technology Fundamentals (3)  |
| <u>CIT 160/L</u>   | Internet Technologies / Lab (3)   |
| <u>COMP 100</u>  | Computers: Their Impact and Use (3)   |
| <u>COMP 110/L</u>  | Introduction to Algorithms and Programming/Lab (4)  |
| <u>EOH 101</u>   | Intro to Environmental & Occupational Health (3)  |
| <u>EOH 353</u>   | Global Perspective of Environmental Health (3)  |
| <u>ENGL 306</u>  | Report Writing (3)  |
| <u>GEOG 101</u>  | The Physical Environment (3)  |
| <u>GEOG 103</u>  | Weather (3)   |
| <u>GEOL 101</u>  | Geology of Planet Earth (3)   |
| <u>GEOL 104</u>  | Living with Earthquakes in California (3)   |
| <u>GEOL 110</u>  | Earth and Life through Time (3)<br><i>Note: A 1-unit lab course, GEOL 112, is also available.</i> |
| <u>GEOL 300</u>  | Environmental Geology (3)<br><i>Note: A 1-unit lab course, GEOL 301, is also available.</i>       |
| <u>MATH 103</u>  | Mathematical Methods for Business (3)   |
| <u>MATH 140</u>  | Introductory Statistics (4)   |
| <u>ME 186/L</u>  | Computer-Aided Design / Lab (2)   |
| <u>PHIL 210</u>  | Reasoning in the Sciences (3)   |
| <u>PHYS 100A</u>   | General Physics I (3)<br><i>Note: A 1-unit lab course, PHYS 100AL, is also available.</i>         |
| <u>SCI 100</u>   | Science for Life (3)  |
| <u>SUST 300</u>  | Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Sustainability (3)  |
| <b>Education, Health, Human Services, Sports Science</b> |   |
| <u>CADV 150</u>  | Foundations of Child & Adolescent Development (3)   |
| <u>ELPS 203</u>  | Urban Education in American Society (3)   |
| <u>FCS 207</u>   | Nutrition for Life (3)  |
| <u>HSCI 131</u>  | Health and Society (3)  |
| <u>HSCI 231</u>  | Women and Health (3)  |
| <u>KIN 385</u>   | Women in Sport (3)  |
| <u>RTM 204</u>   | Introduction to Recreation Therapy (3)  |
| <u>RTM 251</u>   | Recreation and the Natural Environment (3)  |
| <u>RTM 278</u>   | Recreation and Leisure in Contemporary Society (3)  |
| <u>RTM 302</u>   | Leadership in Recreation & Human Services (3)   |



| Catalog Number                             | Course Title (Units)                            |
|--|---|
| <b>Art, Media, Communication</b>           |   |
| ART 100/L                                  | Introduction to Art Processes / Lab (3)         |
| ART 110                                    | World Arts: The Western Tradition (3)           |
| ART 124A                                   | Drawing I (3)                                   |
| ART 140                                    | Beginning Two-Dimensional Design (3)            |
| ART 141                                    | Beginning Three-Dimensional Design (3)          |
| ART 201                                    | Introduction to Web Art (3)                     |
| ART 151                                    | Photography as Art (3)                          |
| COMS 150                                   | Introduction to Communication Studies (3)       |
| COMS151/L                                  | Fundamentals of Public Speaking / Lab (3)       |
| COMS 251                                   | Introduction to Interpersonal Communication (3) |
| CTVA 100                                   | Introduction to Mass Communication Arts (3)     |
| CTVA 210                                   | Television-Film Aesthetics (3)                  |
| ENGL 205                                   | Business Communication (3)                      |
| ENGL 208                                   | Creative Writing (3)                            |
| JOUR 100                                   | Mass Communication (3)                          |
| JOUR 250                                   | Visual Communication (3)                        |
| MUS 105                                    | Understanding Music (3)                         |
| MUS106HH                                   | Hip Hop Music (3)                               |
| MUS 107                                    | Music Today (3)                                 |
| MUS 108                                    | Music in Film (3)                               |
| TH 110                                     | Intro to Theatre: Text/Drama/Performance (3)    |
| TH 111                                     | Actors and Acting (3)                           |
| <b>Cultural Studies, Foreign Languages</b> |   |
| AAS 100                                    | Introduction to Asian American Studies (3)      |
| AAS 210                                    | History of Asians in America (3)                |
| AAS 230                                    | Asian Americans and the Media (3)               |
| AFRS 100                                   | Introduction to Black Studies and Culture (3)   |
| AFRS 245                                   | African-American Literature Since 1930 (3)      |
| AFRS 252                                   | Popular Culture and the Black World (3)         |
| AFRS 272                                   | African-American History Since 1865 (3)         |
| ALS 101                                    | Introduction to American Indian Studies (3)     |
| ANTH 152                                   | Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3)       |
| ANTH 212                                   | Anthropology of Sex (3)                         |
| ANTH 232                                   | Expressive Culture (3)                          |
| ARAB 101                                   | Elementary Arabic I (4)                         |
| ARMN 101                                   | Elementary Armenian I (3)                       |
| CAS 100                                    | Introduction to Central American Studies (3)    |
| CAS 102                                    | The Salvadoran Experience (3)                   |
| CAS 201                                    | Survey of Central American Literature (3)       |
| CHIN 101                                   | Elementary Mandarin Chinese I (4)               |
| CHS 100                                    | Chicana/o Culture (3)                           |
| CHS 111                                    | The Chicana/o and the Arts (3)                  |
| CHS 201                                    | Survey of Mexican Literature in Translation (3) |
| CHS 202                                    | Race, Racism and Critical Thinking (3)          |
| CHS 306                                    | The Chicana/o in Films (3)                      |
| CLAS 101L                                  | Elementary Latin I (3)                          |
| DEAF 160                                   | American Sign Language I (4)                    |
| FREN 101                                   | Elementary French I (4)                         |
| HEBR 101                                   | Elementary Hebrew I (4)                         |
| HIST 161                                   | Survey of the History of Latin America (3)      |
| HIST 210                                   | A History of the Jewish People (3)              |
| ITAL 101                                   | Elementary Italian I (4)                        |
| JAPN 101                                   | Elementary Japanese I (4)                       |
| JS 200                                     | Introduction to Judaism (3)                     |
| KOR 101                                    | Elementary Korean I (4)                         |
| PERS 101                                   | Elementary Persian I (4)                        |
| RUSS 101                                   | Elementary Russian I (4)                        |
| SPAN 101                                   | Elementary Spanish I (4)                        |

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|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Sports and Activity Classes</b> |                                      |
| KIN 123A                           | Archery (1)                          |
| KIN 124A                           | Basketball I (1)                     |
| KIN 125A                           | Fitness for Life (1)                 |
| KIN 126A                           | Strength Training (1)                |
| KIN 128                            | Fitness Walking (1)                  |
| KIN 129A                           | Running Conditioning I (1)           |
| KIN 130A                           | Karate I (1)                         |
| KIN 131A                           | Taekwondo (1)                        |
| KIN 132A                           | Aikido (1)                           |
| KIN 133A                           | Tai Chi Ch'uan (1)                   |
| KIN 134                            | Shaolin Kung Fu (1)                  |
| KIN 135A                           | Aerobic Dance I (1)                  |
| KIN 137A                           | Ballroom Dance I (1)                 |
| KIN 139A                           | Ballet I (1)                         |
| KIN 139B                           | Ballet II (1)                        |
| KIN 141A                           | Jazz Dance I (1)                     |
| KIN 141B                           | Jazz Dance II (1)                    |
| KIN 142A                           | Latin American Dance I (1)           |
| KIN 142B                           | Latin American Dance II (1)          |
| KIN 143                            | Urban Street Dance (1)               |
| KIN 143B                           | Urban Street Dance II (1)            |
| KIN 144                            | Modern Dance I (1)                   |
| KIN 147                            | Pilates (1)                          |
| KIN 148                            | Dance Conditioning (1)               |
| KIN 149                            | Yoga (1)                             |
| KIN 151                            | Personal Defense (1)                 |
| KIN 152A                           | Soccer I (1)                         |
| KIN 172                            | Ultimate Frisbee (1)                 |
| KIN 177A                           | Swimming for Non-swimmers (1)        |
| KIN 178A                           | Swimming I (1)                       |
| KIN 179A                           | Swimming Conditioning (1)            |
| KIN 185A                           | Tennis I (1)                         |
| KIN 195A                           | Volleyball I (1)                     |
| KIN 123A                           | Archery (1)                          |
| KIN 124A                           | Basketball I (1)                     |
| KIN 125A                           | Fitness for Life (1)                 |
| KIN 126A                           | Strength Training (1)                |
| KIN 128                            | Fitness Walking (1)                  |
| KIN 129A                           | Running Conditioning I (1)           |
| KIN 130A                           | Karate I (1)                         |
| RTM 151A                           | Backpacking (2)                      |
| RTM 151B                           | Rock Climbing and Mountaineering (2) |
| RTM 151D                           | Flat-Water Boating (2)               |
| RTM 151H                           | Caving (2)                           |
| RTM 267/L                          | Sailing (2)                          |