

# Office of Admissions and Records

## ACCREDITATION

CSUN is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, the agency which grants national accreditation to colleges and universities in the Western United States. For the State of California, CSUN is accredited by the Board of Education.

## COURSE NUMBERING

000-099	Development Courses which do not carry credit toward graduation.
100-299	Lower Division Courses of freshman and sophomore level, but open also to upper division students.
300-399	Upper Division Courses of junior level which do not give graduate credit toward a major in the master's degree. Sophomore students may enroll in 300-level courses, but freshmen may not without special permission.
400-499	Upper Division Courses of junior and senior level. Some of these courses may be accepted in certain graduate programs.
500-599	Courses intended primarily for graduate students which may be taken by advanced undergraduate students for baccalaureate credit.
600-699	Courses limited to graduate students. Intended mainly for masters and credential programs.
700-799	Courses limited to graduate students. Intended mainly for doctoral programs; may be taken as part of a master's degree.
800-899	Courses specifically designed for career advancement. Credit for these courses does not apply to degrees or credentials at the University.
900-999	Noncredit courses offered by the College of Extended Learning.

## GRADING SYSTEM

Grade	Definition	Grade Points	Effective Dates
A	Outstanding	4.0	1958
A-		3.7	1987
B+		3.3	1987
B	Very Good	3.0	1958
B-		2.7	1987
C+		2.3	1987
C	Average	2.0	1958
C-		1.7	1987
D+		1.3	1987
D	Barely Passing	1.0	1958
D-		0.7	1987
F	Failure	0.0	1958
CR	Credit	N/A	1973
NC	No Credit	N/A	1973
U	Unauthorized	0.0	1977-2002
	Incomplete		
AU	Audit	N/A	1958-1987
SP	Satisfactory	N/A	1973-2008
	Progress		
RP	Report in Progress	N/A	2008
I	Incomplete	N/A	1958
IC	Incomplete Charged	N/A	2008
W	Withdrawal	N/A	1958
WU	Unauthorized Withdrawal	N/A	1958-1973, 2002

## FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT OF 1974 (Public Law 93-880, S518)

CSUN Transcript information cannot be released to a third party without the written consent of the student. This is in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.

### Authentication and Release of this Record.

Official transcripts are blue. They bear the University seal, the signature of the Director of Admissions and Records, and a Heat Glance Security Spot on the front of the document.

A black and white document is not authentic and should not be accepted as an official CSUN academic transcript.

Alteration and / or forgery of this document with the intent to deceive another party is a criminal offense.

## TRANSCRIPT NOTATIONS

U / ATT or UA = Units Attempted  
 U / ACC or UE = Units Attempted or Units Earned  
 GP = Grade Points  
 GF = Grade  
 GPA = Grade Point Average

## REF = Reference Footnotes

- 1 = Change of Grade
- 2 = incomplete removed
- 3 = incomplete charged
- 4 = Type 1 repeat (standard repeat of CSUN coursework)
- 5 = Any action that requires a University petition
- 6 = Retroactive withdrawal
- 7 = Post-Graduate Credit - Masters
- 8 = Post-Graduate Credit - Credential
- 9 = Excess enrollment
- A = Repeat of a course that has a department, course number and / or title change
- D = Any deduction of CSUN enrollment as a result of Type 2 repeat
- F = Excess enrollment of course that has a department course number and / or title change

## SEMESTER UNITS

### Unit of Credit

The University is on the semester calendar. Each regular semester unit equals approximately 1 hour of University work per week for approximately 15 weeks (or the equivalent in accelerated terms).

### Continuing Education

The term "Continuing Education" indicates that the course work was sponsored by the Tseng College of Extended Learning and may be undertaken by non-matriculated students.

## TRANSFER TOTALS

Transfer totals listed on the transcript include units from the institutions listed and units for any exams listed as Examination Credit.

### Course Suffixes

Credit by challenge examination by course work is indicated by the suffix 'XM' or 'X' following the course number. Beginning in Spring 1985, the suffix 'IS' or 'I' designates enrollment in individual study. Individual study courses may be taken only in substitution for approved courses not available in the semester. The 'CS' suffix designates courses which have a service learning component.

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

120 - 132 semester units are required for the baccalaureate degree. A minimum grade points average of 2.0 is required for all collegiate work attempted, all CSUN units attempted, and in the major. A minimum of 30 semester units of approved graduate work is required for the master's degrees. A grade point average of not less than 3.0 is required for work in the master's program.

### Continuing Education Unit (CEU)

The CEU is a nationally recognized unit of measurement of non-credit, postsecondary level study. It has been established by the International Association of Continuing Education and Training (IACET). A Student can earn one CEU for every ten hours of participation or portion thereof.