



CSU Channel Islands Will Not Accept New Students for Spring 2010; Deadline Approaching for Fall 2009 Transfers

Camarillo, Calif., Jan 13, 2009 - California State University Channel Islands announced that due to the California state budget, the campus will not open to undergraduate applications for spring 2010. The campus has been in a growth mode since opening, but with the state budget crisis, all CSU campuses have been directed to maintain the same enrollment they had in 2007-08. Any enrollment above the 2007-08 level will not be funded by the state.

CSU Channel Islands has had a population of about 3,700 undergraduates since 2007. Jane Sweetland, Dean of Enrollment, says that the limitations imposed by the budget are difficult for all campuses. "We would like to be able to enroll everyone who qualifies, but the reality is we can't. We are unwilling to compromise the quality of the education our students receive, so we have to cut back."

Over 2,000 undergraduate applications have been received from transfer students for fall 2009 and the campus can accommodate a maximum of 430 transfer students in fall if spring is closed to applicants. "Last year we brought in over 500 transfer students in fall, so bringing in 400 is still a reduction. If we planned to open to spring applicants, we would have had to reduce our fall enrollment even more," said Sweetland.

The deadline to apply as a transfer student for fall 2009 is 11:59 p.m. on January 19 and can be done by visiting www.csumentor.edu. Ginger Reyes, Director of Admissions & Recruitment, said, "To be fair to all applicants, we are holding strict to deadlines. Every applicant has received multiple communication instructing them to get a transcript with their in-progress coursework to us by February 6. If they don't get it here, they won't be considered for fall."

The campus already closed to freshman applications on November 30 and will not accept freshman applications for spring 2010. The only group that will be admitted for spring 2010 is teaching credential applicants.

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