UNIVERSITY RETENTION SERVICES

On Ramp to Return to Sac State

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Thought about returning to Sac State to finish your degree? Now may be the best time! Here are some steps to get you started:

STEP ONE: Think about why you didn’t finish. Financial issues? Personal issues? Not ready for college? At Sac State, we know there are many reasons students leave campus. We want to help you come back! Finishing your degree is an accomplishment filled with pride and future opportunities. Are you ready now?

STEP TWO: How long have you been out?

Were you out for just one semester?
- Log into My Sac State to check your academic standing
- If in good standing, you can register for the next semester
- Stop by Academic Advising to talk about your plan csus.edu/acad

Were you out for more than one semester?
- Students out for more than one semester must re-apply to the university
- Follow the steps on the “On Ramp to Return Guide” to the right
- Get information on transfer credit evaluation from csus.edu/registrar

Were you out due to poor grades?
- Did you leave due to poor grades? If so, consider taking courses at your local community college to boost your GPA.
- In order to re-enter Sac State, you need 60 units completed and must have a GPA of 2.0 or higher
- Visit the Academic Advising website for information about the petition process: www.csus.edu/acad

STEP THREE: Check the Admissions website csus.edu/admissions. They can give you information on re-applying and what is new at Sac State.

STEP FOUR: Get started! Use the “On Ramp to Return to Sac State” to help you along the way. Starting college again is a big decision, so get all the information you need. Yes, it will take initiative on your part, but hard work and a desire to graduate can get you started!

ON RAMP TO RETURN GUIDE:

12 MONTHS BEFORE STARTING…
- Have 60 units completed before returning to Sac State (GE area A1, A2, A3, B4 are a must)
- Visit Admissions & Outreach: csus.edu/admissions
- Apply: csumentor.edu (available October 1 for fall term)
- Complete the financial aid application: fafsa.ed.gov (available January 1, annually – due March 1)

6 MONTHS BEFORE STARTING…
- Identify your major and get information from your department and catalog: www.catalog.csus.edu
- Set priorities, identify realistic expectations, and find balance for work, family, and education

2 MONTHS BEFORE STARTING…
- Attend Orientation on campus: csus.edu/acad/orientation
- Register for classes: csus.edu/mysacstate
- Get a parking pass or bus line info: csus.edu/utaps
- Purchase books: sacstate.bkstr.com

STARTING CLASSES…
- Study and stay focused
- Meet with your major department advisor every semester
- Follow up with financial aid: www.csus.edu/faid
- Visit Academic Advising to stay on track: csus.edu/acad
- Visit the Career Center for resumes, jobs, and internships: csus.edu/careercenter

DURING YOUR TIME AT SAC STATE…
- Develop mentoring relationships with faculty
- Complete major classes, graduation requirements, & GE courses
- Join clubs and become a leader: csus.edu/soal
- Maintain good GPA – stay above 2.0 to avoid probation
- If applying to grad school, know what is expected: csus.edu/gradstudies
- Apply to graduate once you reach 90 units, or a year prior to graduating

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