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Colorado State University 1993- 2018

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About the University

Colorado State University is a public research university founded in 1870 and located in Fort Collins, Colorado. Run by President Tony Frank, it is the flagship for the Colorado State school system. There are approximately 25,000 undergraduate students enrolled at Colorado State. In the 2017-2018 school year, the Walter Scott Jr. College of Engineering conferred 513 Bachelor of Science degrees.

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Overview

There are some catalogs that are in 2-year increments. From 1993-1999 the catalogs are in 2-year intervals, as well as the 2004-2006 catalog. The 2015-2016 catalogs and the 2016-2017 catalogs are not trimmed because there were some complications in Adobe Acrobat when I tried to delete specific pages.

Term type

- Colorado State follows a semester term schedule with a full-time student defined as someone who is taking 12 or more credits during the fall or spring semesters, or six or more credits during the summer semester.

Admissions, Engineering, 1st Year

Dual Enrollment as Freshmen

- Students above the number of college hours required to be considered a transfer will be admitted as transfer student. Dual enrolled students with fewer than the required college credit hours (9 hours from 1993-2006, 12 hours from 2006 onward) will be admitted as freshmen.

General Admissions Policies

- Colorado State requires an official high school transcript to be admitted. They also require either SAT or ACT test scores.

Preferred admissions

- From 2007 onward, Colorado State specified that priority admissions would be given to students with a minimum of a 3.25 GPA in high school and 18 units following Colorado State's priority standards.
- From 2014 onward they specified that a minimum of either a composite score of 22 on the ACT and/or minimum of 1030 on the SAT combined for students who graduate with 18 high school units as defined by Colorado State's priority standards would be required as well.
- Colorado State's priority high school unit standards include the state of Colorado's regular standards for high school students plus a second year of a foreign language on top of the one year required by Colorado.

Admissions, Engineering, Transfer

Automatic Admissions

- Students who have completed an Associate of Arts or an Associate of Science degree from an accredited Colorado institution with a GPA of 2.0 or better will be guaranteed admission.

College level hours to be considered a transfer

- From 1994 to 2005, students who completed nine or more semester hours were considered transfer students and required to apply as such. From 2005 onward the number of semester hours was raised to 12 hours to be considered a transfer student.

Articulation Agreements

- Colorado State University has a transfer guide for several colleges in the state. Students may complete their first two years of the engineering curriculum, and then qualify to transfer with junior standing.

Preferred Admissions

- Preferred admission is given to students who do not already have an Associate of Arts or an Associate of Science degree and meet the GPA and credit hours requirement detailed below. Preferred admission is also given to students who had the strongest pre-engineering course load at their previous institution.

Preferred Admissions Credit hours	Preferred Admissions GPA	Years
15	2.5	2008-2009
24	2.5	2009-2010
30	2.5	2010-present

Requirements to transfer

- A minimum of a 2.0 GPA is required to transfer to Colorado State.

Admissions, International

Requirements

- International applicants, with the exception of those whose native language is English, are required to submit scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), and have a score of 525 or higher, or a score of 197 or higher on the computer based TOEFL.
- Starting in 2001, Colorado State allowed the Advanced Placement International English Language (APIEL) exam to also be used to test English proficiency. A score of 3 or higher is required for admission. Anyone who does not meet these requirements may be referred to the Colorado State University Intensive English Program.
- Starting in 2003, Colorado State specified that the preferred proof of English proficiency was the TOEFL exam or the International English Language Testing Service (IELTS), with a minimum score of 6 on the IELTS exam.

Engineering Matriculation Model

Direct to Department—anyone admitted may declare

- Students may be admitted to one of the undergraduate majors or as undecided. Undecided students have until registration for their Sophomore classes to decide on their major.
- There are no specified limitations, but undecided majors may be at risk of not getting their first choice of major if the number of students in the major they eventually choose exceeds that major's capacity.

Readmission for Students in Good Academic Standing

- Students must file an application to be readmitted to Colorado State. If a student is in good standing, they will be readmitted if there is space available.

Grading Policies

Audit

- In order to audit a course, a student needs prior approval from the instructor of the course. Tuition and fees are assessed for audit credits. If the student's attendance is deemed unsatisfactory by the professor, the audited class will not show up on the student's transcript.

Course Repeat policy

- Colorado State has a repeat/delete policy which can be used once per a course up to a maximum of 9 credit hours. Under this policy, the highest grade received will be used to calculate the student's GPA.
- If a course must be repeated again after the repeat/delete option, all grades except the initial grade will be used in calculating the student's GPA, and all grades will appear on the student's transcript.
- A student can repeat a course as many times as they like, but all repeats will be used for calculating GPA.

Credit without grades

- Students can use the College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) to get college credit by examination. They can also use scores from either the AP or IB test to receive credit for a course. Colorado State also offers General Examinations for students to test out of courses.

Drop and Withdrawal

- Students who wish to withdraw from Colorado State may do so, by contacting the Success Center.
- A retroactive withdrawal is when all grades in an academic period are removed and replaced with a grade of W. Retroactive withdrawals are granted when it is judged that a student could not reasonably complete their schoolwork.

Grade Weights and Grading Scale

Letter Grade	Numerical Grade
A	4.00
A-	3.67
B+	3.33
B	3.00
B-	2.67
C+	2.33
C	2.00
C-	1.67
D	1.00
F	0.00

Incompletes

- Incomplete grades are temporary grades assigned if a student cannot complete work for some unforeseen reasons. The requirements to complete incomplete work are specified by the instructor of the course. After the student fulfills these requirements, the instructor will change the student's grade. After one year, an incomplete grade will be changed to an F.

Independent study

- The instructor usually sets independent study guidelines, but the expectation is that the student will spend at least 3 hours per week working on their independent study.

Pass fail

- Students with a GPA of 2.00 or better can take one class pass/fail per semester if they have their advisor's consent. The class may not be in any course required for the students major, minor, or part of the university's core curriculum. A grade of D or better is considered passing, while a grade of F is considered failing.

Academic Progress - Engineering

Academic Good Standing

- 2.0 GPA is required for good standing.

Consequences of not meeting required performance

- Probation
 - Failure to maintain a cumulative 2.0 GPA will result in probation. When the student raises their cumulative GPA to above a 2.0, probation will be removed.
- Expulsion
 - Students who do not raise their cumulative GPA above a 2.0 after 2 regular semesters will face dismissal. Students can be eligible for readmission if they complete college course work at another institution and achieve a GPA of 2.0 or higher. The credits taken can be transferred back, but the student's grade point average at Colorado State will remain unchanged.
 - After transferring back to Colorado State, students have 2 semesters to raise their Colorado State GPA to a 2.0 or higher or face academic dismissal.
- Clean Slate
 - An academic fresh start can be granted after 5 years since the student's last term of enrollment, regardless of activities outside of school. Grades of C- or better from student's previous enrollment can be used towards graduation. A student in fresh start must complete at least 30 upper level credits at Colorado State.

Classification Hours

Number of credit hours	Classification
0-30	Freshman
31-60	Sophomore
61-90	Junior
90+	Senior

Excess hours Policies

- Students must be approved by their advisor and major department if they want to take more than 18 credit hours. A credit hour is defined as 50 minutes of lecture per week for 16 weeks where outside preparation is required or 150 minutes of laboratory per week for 16 weeks where no outside preparation is required.
- In 2003-2004 the requirement for credit hours changed to also include 100 minutes of laboratory per week for 16 weeks where outside preparation is required.
- For students who take longer than the recommended 4 years, they may have to repay some amount of financial aid for the excess time taken.

Engineering Degree Progression

Common Introduction to Engineering

- The first two years of the engineering curriculum focus on general math, science courses, and social science courses to fulfill Colorado State's core curriculum requirement. Since it is direct to major, there is no common required introductory engineering courses that are specified.

Progress in Engineering Major

Required University Core Courses 1993-2007	
Required Subject	Credits
Written Communications	3
Mathematics	2
Additional Communication	3
Logical/Critical thinking	3
Physical Sciences	7
Arts/Humanities	3

Social Sciences	3
Historical Perspectives	3
Global and Cultural Awareness	3
U.S Public Values and Institutions	3
Health and Wellness	2

Required Core Courses 2007 onward	
Required Subject	Credits
Written Communications	3
Mathematics	2
Additional Communication	3
Physical Sciences	7
Arts/Humanities	6
Social Sciences	3
Historical Perspectives	3
Global and Cultural Awareness	3

- The GPA requirement for graduation is 2.0. A minimum of 32 credits must be taken at Colorado State to graduate. A total of 128 credit hours is required to graduate.

Financial Aid

- Full time enrollment for financial aid purposes is described as 12 credit hours per semester.
- Students who do not meet the GPA requirements for a semester will be placed on financial aid warning for the next semester. At the end of the warning period the student will be evaluated for whether they are eligible to receive financial aid. Students who are found ineligible can appeal to be placed on financial aid probation. Students on financial aid probation are eligible to receive financial aid, but if they fail to meet the standards for retaining financial aid by the end of the term, they will be ineligible for financial aid.
- Students who achieve 150 percent attempted credits toward their degree program are then ineligible for financial aid.

Policies for Students with Disabilities

Accessing accommodations

- Students can access accommodations by contacting the Office of Resources for Disabled Students. The office assesses each student on a case by case basis for the accommodations that are offered.

Name of offices

- The disability office is named the Office of Resources for Disabled Students.

Services offered

- Students are assessed for disabilities on an individual basis, but services like testing accommodations can be offered to students with disabilities.