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COLLEGE OF SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES





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COLLEGE OF SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

One word sums up the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences: relevance.

Relevance means exposing students to real people and challenges. It means asking the hard questions – from society and the environment to politics, diversity and culture – and developing the tools necessary to answer them.

Relevance is a commitment to continuing excellence. That's why the college provides a multitude of resources, each tailored to the needs and goals of our diverse student community.

From small seminars to large lectures, from physical labs to field research, from internships around Los Angeles to our semester in Washington D.C., our students are at the forefront of all that higher education can offer.

Here, hands-on practice means close interaction with the subject. Whether it's access to state-of-the-art facilities, such as the geospatial computer labs, or the opportunity to conduct applied research with faculty, students are never far from the work that matters most.

All these factors speak to the college's vision. They illustrate what's already in place as well as what's still to come. The college's distinguished faculty is up to the challenge. So, too, are its students.

Because here, relevance is more than a buzzword. It's the guiding principle.

"In CSBS, we do more than educate, we transform lives. Nearly every CSUN student is touched by the departments in the college. While we have a diverse range of disciplines and course offerings, there is a constant that ties us together – our attention to the human condition. We are linked by a dedication to engaging students in an immersive and dynamic educational experience that transforms them while inspiring them to transform our world."

– Yan Searcy, Ph. D.
Dean, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, CSUN

There are nearly 6,700 students enrolled in the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences ...

Like the larger campus, students in the college stem from broad points of origin. From the first-time international student to the midcareer professional, the college's student body is a beacon of global diversity. A place where passion meets purpose, and where students meet the world.

... in 10 departments ...

The college offers a superior selection of courses, methods and disciplines in ten distinct departments: Africana Studies, Anthropology, Criminology & Justice Studies, Geography and Environmental Studies, History, Political Science, Psychology, Social Work, Sociology, and Urban Studies & Planning.

... all at CSUN.

CSUN's economic impact is nearly \$1.9 billion. In employment alone, the university is responsible for the creation of more than 11,700 jobs. And according to the most recent Beacon Economics Impact Study, CSUN students go on to graduate at higher rates and earn more as alumni than those at peer institutions.

The Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation recognized CSUN with an Eddy Award for the uplifting effect the university has on the county's businesses and residents. And the scientific journal Nature named CSUN on its list of the top 25 rising stars for research in North America, with greater research gains than even NASA.

Taken together, these factors make one thing clear: at CSUN, success is no accident.





The National Council for Black Studies honored the Department of Africana Studies with its 2015 **Sankore Institutional Award for outstanding contributions to the development of Africana Studies.**

The department received the award for its scholarship, research, student support and commitment to community service.



AFRICANA STUDIES

The Africana Studies Department empowers students with an African- and African American-centered perspective. Students in this field of study develop an awareness of the African diaspora that embodies critical thinking, parallel reasoning/inquiry and sensitivity to the issues of class, gender, race, culture and ethnicity.

The department provides a **holistic education** that is both academically excellent and culturally sensitive. Of particular note is its emphasis on community involvement, scholarly production and social justice.


Africana Studies prepares students for careers and graduate work in history, politics, sociology, culture, business, entertainment, language, law, criminal justice, foreign affairs, social work and education.

Dr. Cedric Hackett, Associate Professor of Africana Studies and Director of the W.E.B. DuBois - Hamer Institute for Academic Achievement, organized the 2017 and 2018 Black Youth Guidance Forum. The Forum focused on foster youth aging out of foster care and other youth exiting the juvenile justice system.

Africana Studies Associate Professor Marquita Gammage, received the Best Scholarly Publication Book Award for "Representations of Black Women in the Media: The Damnation of Black Womanhood" at the 2016 Diop International Conference.

ANTHROPOLOGY

Whether it's studying human ancestors, interpreting lost languages or understanding diverse peoples and cultures, Anthropology helps us piece together the broader human story.



Dr. Michael Love, professor of anthropology, has received grants from the National Science Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, the National Geographic Society, and the Foundation for the Advancement of Mesoamerican Studies.

Dr. Hélène Rougier recently uncovered one of the biggest finds in her field – the first identified remains of cannibalized Neanderthals in Northern Europe. Details of her discovery were published in *Scientific Reports* in 2016.

Students in the department study people and investigate how factors such as place of origin and biological characteristics impact human behaviors and outcomes. Other topics of study include languages and cultural patterns, social structures and institutions, as well as human environmental adaptations.

Anthropology is also excellent preparation for graduate work, teaching and other professional pursuits. What's more, **California has the highest employment level of anthropologists and archaeologists in the nation**, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. This makes CSUN an excellent place to study. Graduates go on to careers in museum curation, human resources, social work, education, sustainability, forensics, communications, teaching and more.



Published by Oxford Press in 2018, **Professor James Snead's** new book, **Relic Hunters**, studies the complex relationship between the people of 19th century America and the material antiquities of North America's indigenous past.



CRIMINOLOGY AND JUSTICE STUDIES

To address and prevent crime, you first need to understand it. That's where criminology and justice studies comes in. These professionals view crime through a social scientific lens, leveraging new technologies and thinking to create safer, more just societies. Few locations are as well suited for work in the field as CSUN.

Based in the heart of Los Angeles County's San Fernando Valley, the department provides the opportunity to work with some of the field's top organizations and agencies. Partnerships between the department and the community provide the **advanced academic and professional preparation** needed for a variety of careers in criminal justice.

For instance, students can participate in an internship with the Los Angeles Police Department, which allows them to work alongside one of the country's largest law enforcement agencies. Another option is Neighborhood Legal Services. This community partner lets the department's students **engage in real-world legal proceedings**, involving research, legal writing and work with litigants.

Such hands-on, community-based experience is an invaluable way for students to learn the ropes before they graduate. It also puts them in close touch with those in the field.

Classes in the department emphasize critical thinking, research methods, ethical practice and an **in-depth understanding of crime and justice**. This includes criminal and juvenile justice systems, criminological theory, criminal law, geographic information science, and diversity in crime and justice.

According to *Social Sciences Careers*, criminal justice professionals earn \$65,000+ annually in large urban areas. The Los Angeles Police Department, for example, pays entry-level officers with a college degree \$70,000 after probation.

The department recently **collaborated with the LA City Attorney's office** to design and teach a **course in community justice**. Focused on alternatives to traditional prosecution, this course is taught, in part, by L.A. City Attorney Community Justice Initiative supervisors.

GEOGRAPHY AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Geography is a discipline that allows students to study almost any topic of interest. Students majoring in Geography and Environmental studies can take courses on topics that range from weather and natural disasters to real estate, crime or health. In their classes, students examine earth and social sciences, learning both in the environmental tradition.

Many students in the department take advantage of the outstanding faculty and facilities associated with the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) program, where students can get hands-on training with the latest computer mapping and spatial analysis tools. Others can choose a more traditional, liberal arts focus, or field-based environmental training. There's a **path suited to every learning style** in Geography and Environmental Studies.

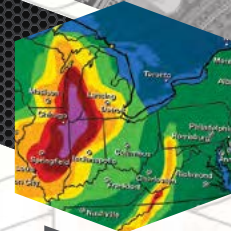
Danielle Bram, director of CSUN's Center for Geospatial Science and Technology, received \$362,223 in 2017 from the California Department of Water Resources in support of a project entitled "National Hydrography Dataset Update and Training for California Department of Water Resources."

Graduates find rewarding, well-paying careers in a variety of government and private sector industries. Many find work as GIS analysts, helping governments, utilities or corporations collect, manage and analyze data. Still others find careers working outdoors as environmental consultants, park rangers and foresters.



Geography Professor **Steve Graves'** research on the location of payday lenders helped **influence changes in federal and state law** aimed at regulating high-cost, short-term loans, especially for military families.

The US Department of Labor projects "much faster than average" growth, in excess of 20% or more, in jobs for geographers, geoscientists, cartographers, urban and regional planners, and other geographic professionals, with **projected needs of upwards of 15,000 additional employees** in each of these career fields.





U.S. News & World Report ranks **CSUN** 21st in its 2019 ranking of **Top Public Schools – Regional Universities West**.


HISTORY

Studying history allows us to create a clearer picture of the present, and to map the past using the vivid details of those who lived it.

Nowhere is that pursuit more apparent than in the Department of History. Here, students **explore the past from a variety of perspectives**, including urban, social, gender, cultural, political, economic, legal, diplomatic, military and international. And through a number of special programs and seminars – most involving trips to archives and historical sites – students can experience historical work in real time, right alongside those in the field.

The department provides students with a **grounding in research and writing skills, and provides in-depth knowledge** about the history of the United States, Asia, Europe, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East. And at the Michael Patterson History Writing Center, students can improve their writing and communication skills through advanced tutoring.

An **excellent foundation for graduate work**, a degree in history sets the stage for many exciting post-degree possibilities. History students graduate equipped with the skills needed to jump immediately into careers in fields ranging from business, diplomacy, government, education, journalism, library science, public policy and public service.



Dr. Jeffrey Kaja, Assistant Professor of History, received CSUN's 2017 Distinguished Teaching, Counseling or Librarianship Award.

Dr. John Paul Nuño, Assistant Professor of History, received CSUN's 2016 Distinguished Teaching, Counseling or Librarianship Award.

POLITICAL SCIENCE

With three distinct options of study – Law and Society, Politics and Government, and Public Policy and Management – this department offers students wide academic opportunity. That includes content on American and comparative politics, international relations, political theory and public law.

For **practical experience**, the department provides a number of internships and special programs, each designed to promote community involvement. The DC Internship Program, for instance, lets students spend an entire semester in Washington D.C., interning for members of congress, political advocacy groups, non-profits and others. This program sends one of the largest and most diverse groups of interns to the nation’s capital.



Dr. Kristy Michaud, professor of political science, recently received a grant from the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California to participate in the World Water Forum, supported by the U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Reclamation.

There’s also the Model UN. In this program, students roleplay foreign diplomats and **confront pressing global issues** at mock UN conferences. Other hands-on opportunities include judicial internships, as well as those with state and local governments.

Graduates of the department pursue careers in government and non-governmental organizations, teach in community college or high schools, serve as campaign managers, work in the media, and/or go on to doctoral programs at top universities.



The California State University (CSU) trains the majority of California’s leaders and policymakers.

Working for California: The Impact of the California State University System

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the 2017 annual median salary for political scientists was \$115,110.

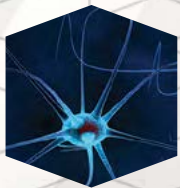


In 2017, CSUN’s Model UN team competed in four conferences at the state and national levels. They won awards at each of the conferences, including Outstanding Delegation, Distinguished Delegation and a Position Paper Award.



The department's program at the Monterey Hall Community Services facility provides specialized services to the public and offers hands-on training to graduate students. The facility includes the Anxiety and Mood Disorders Clinic, the Child and Adolescent Diagnostic Assessment Program, and the Autism Clinic.

Employment for psychologists is expected to grow 14 percent from 2016-2026, which is faster than average, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.



PSYCHOLOGY

Students in this department study the field's **theories, concepts and practices**, examining how each applies to the human condition. At the same time, they engage in fieldwork with real people and patients. This offers valuable **clinical experience**, which helps tremendously with job placement.

A degree in psychology leads to outstanding careers in everything from human resources and education, to health care, management and marketing.

It's also a **sound foundation for graduate study in numerous fields and disciplines**, including CSUN's highly ranked Master of Science in Applied Behavior Analysis. Not only does this program lay the groundwork for admission into the nation's most prestigious ABA doctoral programs, it also boasts some of the highest pass rates of the BCBA exam. Ninety-four percent of CSUN's ABA graduates pass on their first attempt, compared to the national average of just sixty-four percent.



Melanie Fessinger, a 2016 psychology department alumna, received a 2017 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship grant.

Funded by the National Institute of Health, Dr. Ellie Kazemi, Professor of Psychology, is studying the effectiveness of replacing humans with robots in behavioral research.

Dr. Meeta Banerjee, Assistant Professor of Psychology, received the Association of Black Psychologists 2016 SAGE Professional Research Award for excellence in scholarship.

SOCIAL WORK

The Department of Social Work gives students the skills and thinking to **address society's most urgent social needs**. That happens, in part, through curriculum on research methods, welfare policy, social work practices, multiculturalism, family crisis and more. The rest is the result of practical experience, acquired in the same settings – and with the same clients – as those in the field.

Dr. Amy Levin, Professor of Social Work and Assistant Vice President of Graduate Studies, won two contracts totaling \$1.69 million from UC Regents in 2016 to support Title IV-E Social Work Training Program and Mental Health Stipend Program, at the California Social Work Education Center/CalSWEC.

In 2017, Dr. Stella Theodoulou, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, received \$175,002 from the UniHealth Foundation, in support of a project entitled "Valley Nonprofit Resources Latino T2DM Multi-Family Group Project."

The department's Master of Social Work (MSW) specializes in urban family practice, mirroring the environment, the people and the university around it. Offered on campus, online or face-to-face, this award-winning program is **chance to make a real difference**.

CSUN's MSW students provide more than 178,000 volunteer hours of service to the surrounding community. This is the result of programs sponsored by the department as well as those inspired by students.

Upon graduating, students enter the field ready to make their mark, **empowering urban families and communities** through work in hospitals, medical clinics, community mental health agencies, schools, private practices and more.



The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects **employment growth of 16 percent** (much faster than average) **for social workers** from 2016-2026.

Go Grad ranked CSUN's online Master of Social Work program ninth in the nation in its 2016 "**Top Online Master's in Social Work**" list.

CSUN ranked 11th in the list of "**Best Online Master's in Social Work Programs**" (2018) by BestColleges.com.





The Institute of International Education ranked **CSUN third nationally** in its Open Doors Report list of **master's colleges and universities hosting international students (2017)**.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reports the 2017 median pay for sociologists at **\$79,650**.

SOCIOLOGY

Immigration, race/ethnicity, politics, gender, globalization, social movements, and the family are just some of the many topics explored in the Department of Sociology.

Students in the major learn to apply theories and concepts to real-world issues. They also learn to collect, analyze and interpret data as well as understand issues of diversity. To do so, they employ a range of tools and methods – from ethnographies and interviews, to policymaking and statistical modeling. These skills amplify **success in the workplace and in civic life**.

Sociology students go onto careers in social and human services, research and data analysis, social work, nonprofit and public sector management, program evaluation, policy analysis, education, labor relations, and community organizing. Others pursue graduate study in sociology, social work, school counseling, public administration, and law.

Dr. Moshoula Capous-Desyllas, associate professor of sociology, received CSUN's 2017 Distinguished Teaching, Counseling or Librarianship Award.

URBAN STUDIES AND PLANNING

More than half of the global population now lives in urban areas. Each city, large or small, is the culmination of careful urban planning.

In this department, students learn to promote environmental sustainability, build healthy communities, plan future business developments and collaborate with government agencies and private firms to **encourage urban prosperity**.

In addition to classroom instruction, courses emphasize experiential learning. Using the field's current tools, such as geographical information systems (GIS), participants will learn how to design, implement and monitor comprehensive plans and zoning.

Graduates depart with the expertise to play vital roles in the fields of environmental and city planning, municipal government, public administration, transportation, sustainability, resiliency planning, community development, real estate and property development, non-profit advocacy, and private consulting.

Students and faculty recently participated in Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti's Great Streets Initiative. Focused on Reseda Boulevard, they aim to revitalize the major thoroughfare with businesses and other community-focused improvements.



The Urban Planning Students of Northridge hosted the American Planning Association's 12th Annual Los Angeles Chapter Student Symposium in 2018.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics lists the 2017 median pay for urban and regional planners at \$71,490.

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences offers three interdisciplinary studies programs to give students a broad background to address today's most pressing issues.

Interdisciplinary Studies of Africa Minor Program – Get an interdisciplinary approach to the study of African history, literature, politics, geography, religion and culture. Students receive robust training for the advanced study of Africa and for teaching and research in many fields, including art, communication, economics, education, health, the humanities, media and the social sciences. Each year, at CSUN's African Studies Symposium, the field's foremost scholars join those in the community to discuss pressing social and academic issues. The theme for 2018, "Wakanda: The Real and Imagined Africa," included a keynote address by Mary Adegoya of the University of Chicago, and the re-creation of an African market in CSUN's Grand Salon.

Asian Studies – Students receive an integrated approach to the study of the history, culture and current problems of East, South and Southeast Asia. Those earning a bachelor's degree can pursue studies in graduate school or use their knowledge and training in government and private agencies that interact with Asian countries.

California Studies – This interdisciplinary program includes courses in biology, ethnic studies, geography, geology, history, political science and urban studies. Students will learn about California from a variety of perspectives and engage in research and internship activities. Internships are offered at local archive and research collections, public agencies, as well as private-sector firms.

PUBLIC SECTOR ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT

For decades, CSUN has led the way in public sector theory and education. Its award-winning programs have produced chiefs of police, county commissioners, hospital administrators, non-profit executives and high-ranking figures in state and municipal governments.

CSUN's Master of Public Administration (MPA) and Bachelor's Degree in Public Sector Management (PSM) programs deliver an educational experience rare among public universities. From one-on-one support and close contact with faculty to professionally focused curricula and scheduling, these programs always put the student first.

Given this philosophy, it's no surprise that **student outcomes often exceed expectations**. When they finish, graduates enter the field as thought leaders, capable of guiding organizations, agencies, policies and communities.

Taught in the **cohort format**, these programs also maximize student interaction with faculty and other working professionals. The networking benefits alone make this format a student favorite. Cohorts are offered online or face-to-face, with class meetings generally scheduled on evenings and weekends.

What's more, CSUN is partnered with organizations at various levels of the public sector, including eight cities, six agencies and one county (Los Angeles). These partnerships, some going back decades, provide students with **valuable connections to the public sector**.




CSUN's MPA ranks 1st nationally in the 2016 Top Public Administration Graduate Programs list by GraduatePrograms.com.

TheBestSchools.org ranks CSUN's online MPA program 25th in its national ranking of "The 30 Best Online Master's in of Public Administration Degree Programs"

BestColleges.com ranks CSUN's online MPA program 20th nationally in its 2018 'Best Online MPA Programs' ranking.



Special Programs, Institutes and Centers

The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences offers a number of premier resources, centers and institutes to both its students as well as the greater Los Angeles community. These amenities are the culmination of decades of hard work and commitment by the college’s prestigious faculty, stakeholders and administrators. Below you’ll find a more detailed description of these world-class resources:

CENTER FOR GEOSPATIAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The Center for Geospatial Science & Technology is an interdisciplinary research center focused on developing innovative solutions to real world problems. The Center’s cutting-edge technology has advanced the use of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) for academic institutions, private industry, and the public sector while also providing students with real world skills to further their educational experience and prepare them for a career in this growing field.

CENTER FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA STUDIES

With so many social and political issues at the forefront, this center provides research, education and analysis for public policy issues facing Southern California. Faculty and students work with organizations throughout Los Angeles that deal with countless issues, including education, the environment, healthcare, public safety and socioeconomic concerns. The center provides opportunities for students and faculty to conduct research and forge community partnerships. It also hosts the annual Envisioning California Lecture, a panel discussion on vital issues facing California.

CENTER FOR URBAN WATER RESILIENCE

Water availability and usage remains an ongoing concern. This center builds a bridge between students and the community, society and technology on water issues. The urban environment leads to densely populated areas and problems with urban waters. A resilient water supply has the capacity to respond to and recover from multi-hazard threats with minimum damage to public safety and health, as well as the economy and security. The center addresses these issues and more.

DUBOIS-HAMER INSTITUTE FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Through community and campus partnerships, the DuBois-Hamer Institute for Academic Achievement (DHIAA) promotes retention and academic excellence for CSUN students from economically-disadvantaged backgrounds. The Institute implements community-based programs that provide a bridge between the campus and the communities from which these students were recruited to come to CSUN.

INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

The Institute coordinates and facilitates the scholarly projects and professional services and activities for all of the Centers within the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences. Its goal is to promote the professional growth of faculty, students and staff, and to benefit the larger community that is served by the University.



LA UP CLOSE

There's a reason the world flocks to Los Angeles – and it's not just the year-round sunshine. One look at the city is enough to convince anyone that a life spent here is more aptly called an investment. That's because what's available already – a booming tech sector, a thriving business community and a legendary entertainment industry – is only half the story. The rest is in a future still being written by the prominent institutions that call the city home.



At the city's southern tip, the **Natural History Museum** showcases its more than 35 million specimens and artifacts. From prehistoric man to mummies and dinosaurs, its impressive collection attracts a global audience.

Heirlooms of the city's criminal past go on display at the **Los Angeles Police Museum** in Highland Park. Case files from the Black Dahlia, booking photos of Charlie Manson and bullet-riddled squad cars make this a true crime fan's paradise.

On Hollywood's Sunset Boulevard, from its new 92,000-square-foot, five-story headquarters, video streaming giant **Netflix** broadcasts its exclusive digital content.

In the Hollywood Hills, removed from the busy city below, is the iconic **Griffith Observatory**. Inside, stars, planets and other celestial bodies project upon the planetarium's aluminum dome, and outside, from the terrace, is an exquisite view of Los Angeles.

At the **La Brea Tar Pits**, on L.A.'s Miracle Mile, scientists excavate Ice Age relics and study prehistoric wildlife. Species buried for millennia – dire wolves and saber tooth tigers – reemerge at last from the oily, black pools of this active, urban dig site.

On downtown's Grand Avenue, in its dazzling \$140 million building, the **Broad Museum** houses the world's largest collection of postwar and contemporary art. More than 2,000 pieces, collected from artists worldwide, fill the building's three-story gallery space.

And, of course, at CSUN's stunning performing arts center, **The Soraya**, visitors can attend world-class productions of live theatre, music and dance. The *Los Angeles Times* recently cited the \$125 million, 1,700-seat theatre as "a hub for live music, dance, drama and culture."

These institutions, among many others, are within close reach of CSUN's Transit Center. On the city's fleet of clean-air buses or via the vast subway system, visitors and students have easy public access to the region's many cultural assets.



Institutes, Research Centers and Think Tanks

California is home to major institutes, research centers and think tanks relevant to the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, including:

- › Asia/Pacific Research Center
- › Berkeley Roundtable on the International Economy
- › Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
- › California Institute on Leadership and Politics
- › Center for Achievement in Psychological Science (CAPS)
- › Center for California Studies
- › Center for Contemporary Conflict
- › Center for the Study of Democracy
- › Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism
- › Center for the Study of Immigrant Integration
- › Center for the Study of Work, Labor and Democracy
- › Claremont Institute
- › Hoover Institution on War, Revolution and Peace
- › Institute for Food and Development Policy
- › Institute for the Future
- › Institute of Government Studies
- › Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation
- › Jesse M. Unruh Institute of Politics
- › Mervyn M. Dymally African American Political and Economic Institute
- › Milkin Institute
- › Nautilus Institute for Security and Sustainable Development
- › New America Foundation
- › Pacific Council on International Policy
- › Pacific Research Institute for Public Policy
- › Public Policy Institute of California
- › RAND Corporation
- › Reason Foundation
- › University of San Francisco Center for the Pacific Rim
- › USC Center for Religion and Civic Culture
- › USC Center for Risk and Economic Analysis of Terrorism Events
- › World Affairs Council

These centers provide statewide and nationwide research, reports, conference participation and findings directly affecting the college's areas of study.

The university holds a Latin-American Film and Art Festival in collaboration with the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, the Mike Curb College of Arts, Media and Communication, and Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México en Los Ángeles (UNAM-LA). The event draws visitors from throughout Southern California.



A DEGREE IN A GLOBAL CAPITAL

With the **fifth-largest economy in the world**, California more than lives up to its 'Golden State' promise. And L.A. plays no small part in that. Behind the city's glistening, rosy exterior are some of the **planet's highest per capita earners** – both personally and commercially.

The health care industry alone employs more than 588,000 public and private payroll workers, 10 percent of total regional employment.



California is a leader in

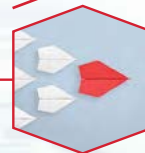
SUSTAINABILITY



HEALTH CARE



THINK TANKS



TECHNOLOGY



ENTERTAINMENT



AEROSPACE



It's no wonder the tech industry is positioning itself so aggressively in the region. Getting in now means taking advantage of resources only bound to grow. Of the nearly 700 tech firms in Los Angeles, 86 percent are located in Santa Monica's "Silicon Beach." Among them are **Snapchat, Hulu, and TrueCar**, as well as **Google, Youtube, and Facebook**.

And even better, **being a CSUN student means being a part of it – all of it**. From the big name places, like Hollywood and Santa Monica, to the big name people, like Elon Musk, it's all just part of the territory. There is no place better to get a degree than in an environment built on big city excitement and possibility.

Student Organizations

Student organizations foster networking and education opportunities. They provide an educational and social setting for students to meet and take part in experiences related to their majors.

- › African Students Organization
- › AKD Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology Honor Society
- › Anthropology Student Association
- › Black Leadership Council of CSUN
- › Black Male Initiative Organization
- › Black Medical Association
- › Black Student Union
- › Criminology and Justice Studies Club
- › CSUN in DC Internship Program
- › CSUN National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)
- › CSUN Political Science Student Association
- › CSUN Social Work Society
- › Geography Club
- › Graduate Association of School Psychology
- › History Club
- › Judicial Internship Program
- › Marriage and Family Therapy Network
- › Model African Union Club
- › Model United Nations
- › NABJ-Student Association of Black Communicators
- › Northridge Graduate Planning Association/Urban Planning Students Association
- › National Pan-Hellenic Council
- › National Society of Black Engineers
- › Pre-Law Association
- › Sistahood
- › Student Association for Behavior Analysis
- › Urban Planning Students of Northridge



OUTSTANDING VALUE

By choosing CSUN's College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, students receive an exceptional education from a highly respected leading California public university.

With **more than 85 post-baccalaureate programs**, including doctoral degrees and professional certificates, CSUN is the fourth largest university in California.

According to the Social Mobility Index, CSUN students go on to graduate at higher rates and earn more as alumni than those from peer institutions.

Through CSUN's extensive working relationships with aerospace and engineering firms, as well as start-ups, media organizations and tech companies, students gain unique access to **internships, job opportunities** and other **professional work**.

The costs to attend CSUN are also moderate in comparison with similar programs from Southern California private universities or the University of California.

Students Outside California

Attending CSUN lets out-of-state and international students live the L.A. lifestyle as they earn the degree they need. And the best part is, by choosing CSUN, they can do it all from the comfort, safety and prestige of one of the nation's largest and most respected public universities.

Moreover, since Los Angeles is now ranked the world's **number one student city**, CSUN students can rest easy when it comes to what's out there. Because here, the answer is... Well, *everything!*

Accompanying the vast local culture is the institutional prowess of CSUN. Being a university of such size, the many resources at our disposal allow us to design programs and services that tap deeply into the student experience. That's as true for those from another state as it is for those from another country. Because it's not the "where" that matters to us – it's the student.

CSUN recently ranked number one among peer institutions for the **highest number of international students in the United States**, with a total enrollment of more than 3,900. Along with students, the university hosts visiting scholars from institutions in China, India, Korea, Great Britain, Japan, Mexico and more.

CSUN offers a distinct set of services, designed specifically to meet the needs of the international community. These programs include

- International Pathway Programs (IPP)
- Semester at CSUN (SAC)
- English and Cultural Experience (ELCE)
- University Transition Program (UTP)

In addition to receiving academic and administrative support, international students also gain access to free tutoring and can participate in cultural expeditions that enable them to experience life in Los Angeles more fully.

Career Options

- › Administrator
- › Advocate
- › Anthropologist
- › Archaeologist
- › Archivist
- › Area/region studies specialist
- › Cartographer
- › Climatologist
- › Community development expert
- › Corrections officer
- › Counselor
- › Demographer
- › Diplomat
- › Ecologist
- › Environmental analyst
- › Environmental consultant
- › Family therapist
- › Foreign Service officer
- › Geographer
- › Geomorphologist
- › Geographic information system analyst
- › Historian
- › Investigator
- › Law enforcement/military officer
- › Lawyer
- › Human resources manager
- › Legislative analyst
- › Market researcher
- › Political consultant
- › Political scientist
- › Probation officer
- › Psychologist
- › Public planner
- › Public policy analyst
- › Researcher
- › Resource manager
- › Retail site location analyst
- › Sales representative
- › School psychologist
- › Social worker
- › Sociologist
- › Statistician
- › Systems analyst
- › Teacher/instructor/professor
- › Urban planner

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- Master of Public Administration (M.P.A.)
- ◆ Master of Urban Planning (M.U.P.)
- ◇ Master of Social Work (M.S.W.)
- Master of Science (M.S.)
- Master of Arts (M.A.)
- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)

Africana Studies	□						
African and African American Humanities and Cultural Studies	□						
African and African American Social Sciences	□						
African American Urban Education	□						
Anthropology	□	●					
General Anthropology	□	●					
Public Archaeology	□	●					
Criminology and Justice Studies	□						
Geography and Environmental Studies	□	●					
Geographic Information Science	□		●				
Standard Program	□	●					
History	□	●					
Political Science	□	●					
General		●					
Law and Society	□						
Politics and Government	□						
Public Policy and Management	□						
Psychology	□	●					
Clinical Psychology		●					
General	□						
General Experimental Psychology		●					
Honors	□						
Human Factors and Applied Psychology		●					
Public Administration							■
Social Work						◇	
Sociology	□	●					
Inequality and Diversity	□						
Social Movements and Political Sociology	□						
Social Welfare and Social Justice	□						
Urban Planning							◆
Urban Studies and Planning	□						

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