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Cal State San Bernardino now accepting applications for Fall 2026

PALM DESERT, Calif. – Cal State San Bernardino, including its Palm Desert Campus, is now accepting undergraduate applications for the Fall 2026 term. First-time freshmen, as well as lower-division and upper-division transfer students, are encouraged to apply early to secure their spot at the university.

The priority deadline for pre-nursing majors is Dec. 2. For all other majors, the deadline to apply is Jan. 31, 2026. To apply, visit the [Cal State Apply website](#).

A variety of financial aid options are available to support students in funding their education, including grants, scholarships and work-study opportunities. Starting Oct. 1, 2025, California students and families can apply for financial aid for the 2026–27 academic year by completing either the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#) or the [California Dream Act Application \(CADAA\)](#). These applications open the door to federal, state, and institutional aid that helps make college more affordable.

With more than 70 baccalaureate and master's degree programs, as well as credential, certificate, and doctoral programs, CSUSB offers a range of academic pathways across five colleges and the Palm Desert Campus:

College of Arts and Letters

Taught by award-winning faculty, the classes and programs in the College of Arts and Letters (CAL) help students find their voice while fostering their creativity, critical thinking skills and innovation. Students gain invaluable hands-on opportunities with CAL's state-of-the-art facilities, such as Coyote Radio, a glass-making area, and the new Performing Arts Center, set to open in the 2025-26 academic year. For more information, watch "[CSUSB College of Arts and Letters helps students refine their voice.](#)"

Jack H. Brown College of Business and Public Administration

With a strong focus on practical experience, ethical leadership, and global perspectives, the faculty at Jack H. Brown College of Business and Public Administration provides students with the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in careers in business, government and nonprofit sectors. The college's [MBA program](#), [Cybersecurity Center](#) and the [School of Entrepreneurship](#) have consistently received national and international recognition. For more information, watch "[Jack H. Brown College among the best business schools in the nation.](#)"

James R. Watson and Judy Rodriguez Watson College of Education

The James R. Watson and Judy Rodriguez Watson College of Education is home to a teacher preparation program that includes different teaching credentials, master's programs, a doctoral program in educational leadership, and certificate programs — all of which are accredited in their respective areas. For those seeking a professional career in education, the college's doctorate in education program has been ranked among the best in the nation. For more information, watch "[College of Education produces outstanding, innovative educators.](#)"

College of Natural Sciences

Consisting of 10 departments and the [Murillo Family Observatory](#), the College of Natural Sciences is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life and health of the communities it serves. Students are prepared for science and health-related jobs in the public or private sector, a career in teaching, or graduate or professional education. In addition, students are provided cutting-edge technology and resources, research opportunities and mentorship from faculty who are experts in their fields. For more information, watch "[College of Natural Sciences – Meeting the needs of the community, the nation and beyond.](#)"

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences is home to 14 academic departments and programs, covering a wide range of human issues. With a mix of traditional and innovative education, the college is dedicated to the growth and support of undergraduate and graduate education, research, public service and professional development. This year, CSUSB's [master of social work](#) program was ranked among the best schools in the nation by U.S. News & World Report. For more information, watch "[College of Social and Behavioral Sciences: Leading by learning.](#)"

College of Extended and Global Education

The interdisciplinary College of Extended and Global Education (CEGE) fosters an interconnected campus by strategically partnering with university, community, educational, business and international partners. CEGE offers a diverse range of undergraduate and graduate degrees, professional development courses and certificates, and international education programs, enhancing access to academic programs and educational resources to audiences locally and worldwide. For more information, visit the [CEGE's programs webpage](#).

About the CSUSB Palm Desert Campus: The [CSUSB Palm Desert Campus](#) is dedicated to providing a transformative educational experience in the Coachella Valley. With a focus on academic excellence and community engagement, the campus offers undergraduate and graduate degree programs designed to meet the diverse needs of its students and the region.

For more information about the CSUSB Palm Desert Campus, contact Mike Singer in the Office of Marketing and Communications at msinger@csusb.edu or (760) 341-2883, ext. 78107, or visit the PDC website at www.csusb.edu/pdc.