

# Critical Steps to Complete after Being Admitted to a 4 year University

Your hard work at Palomar College paid off, congratulations on your admission! Below is a list of steps that most transfer institutions require. Each campus has different requirements and deadlines, thus it is important to go to that school admissions web site and check out the details.

## **Complete Intent to Enroll and Enrollment Deposit**

You must confirm plans to enroll by indicating your Intent to Enroll; usually this is done on that campus web site. Many schools also require a non-refundable enrollment deposit to reserve your enrollment for the upcoming semester that you are admitted. If you fail to do this by the stated deadline, your admissions may be rescinded.

## **Send Final Transcripts**

A final transcript showing completion of all requirements for admission must be sent. Transcripts must be official and received in a sealed envelope by the deadline. Failure to do this by the deadline may result in your admissions being rescinded.

## **Attend New Student Orientation**

Orientation programs for new students may be optional or mandatory. Some schools will do an evaluation of your transcripts at the orientation and give you a priority registration date for signing up for your classes.

## **Apply for Financial Aid and Scholarships**

All students are encouraged to submit a Free Application for Federal student Aid (FAFSA). The priority date for submissions is March 2nd. To begin the process, visit [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Check out individual campus web sites for scholarships. Also, this site has good information and links <http://www.sa.sdsu.edu/scholarship/index.html>.

## **Fulfill Testing Requirements**

Some schools have graduation requirements that must be completed by a specific date. For example, at SDSU all undergraduates must demonstrate competency in upper division writing skills before graduating with a bachelor's degree. Students must take the Writing Proficiency Assessment during the semester in which they achieve 60 units or in the semester immediately following. Therefore, a student must take the exam between the time they are admitted and the end of their first semester at SDSU. If a student does not take the exam before the end of the first semester, they will not be allowed to register for the next term.

## **Meet Immunization Requirements**

The California State University has mandated that students born after January 1, 1957 must demonstrate proof of all immunization to measles and rubella. At many campuses, if you do not provide proof of immunization during your first semester you will not be allowed to register for classes the next semester.

## **Pay Registration Fees**

It is important to pay your tuition and fees by the payment deadline. Failure to do so could result in you missing your assigned registration date, or if fees are due after registration you may be dropped from your classes.

## **Apply for Housing**

Check out the school web site to find out if they offer Transfer Housing, make sure to apply early.