

HOW TO TRANSFER TO A

CSU



The California State University (CSU) system is composed of 23 public universities throughout the state of California, almost 412,000 students, and 43,000 faculty and staff. The CSU system is the largest, the most diverse, and one of the most affordable university systems in the country. CSU campuses engage students in research and creative activities leading to scientific, technical, artistic and social advances.



Minimum Requirements for Transfer

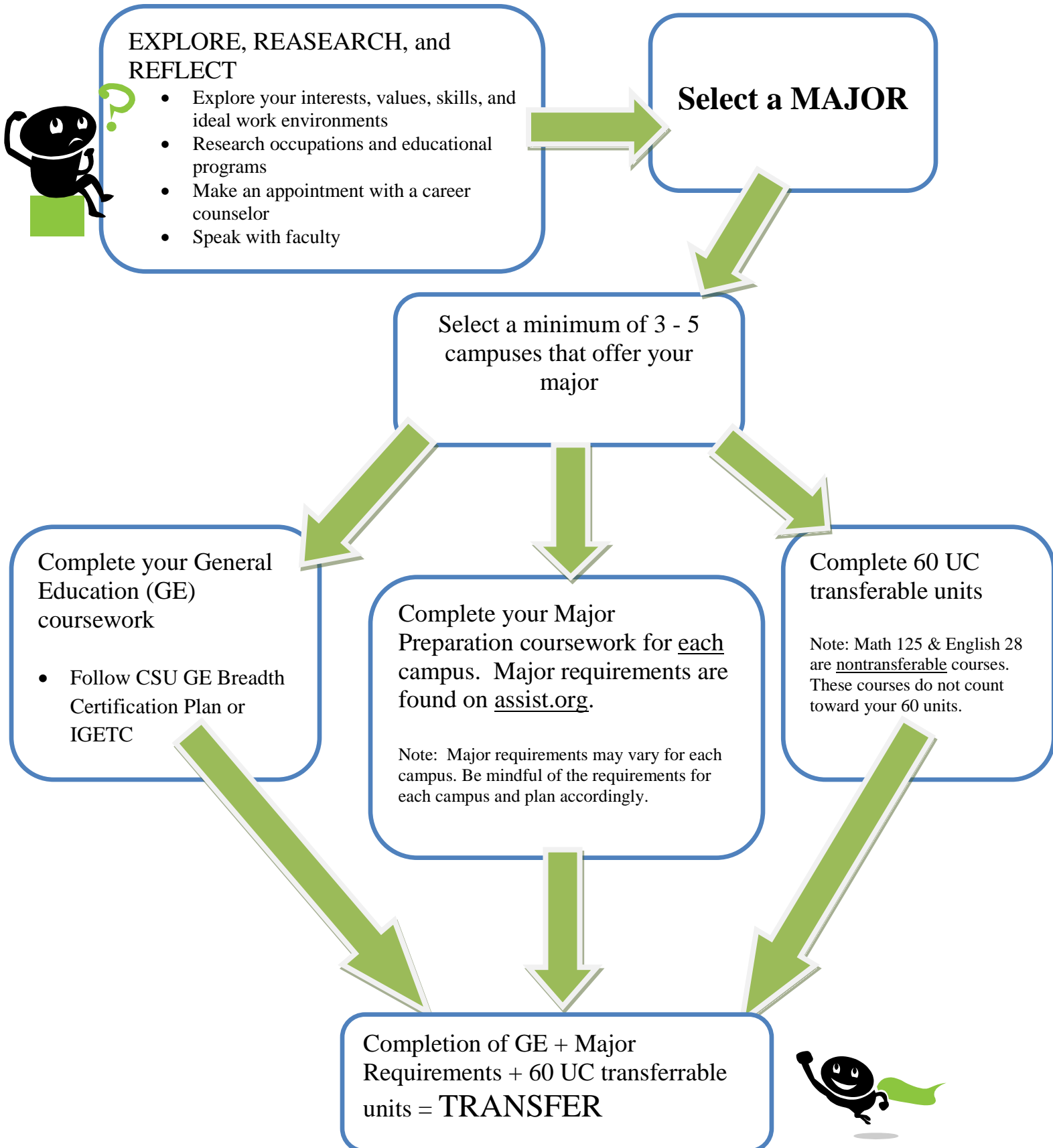
To transfer to any of the CSU campuses, you need to meet minimum admissions requirements. The minimum CSU admission requirements include:

- Completion of 60 CSU transferable units
- Completion of “the golden four” with a grade of C or better for each course:
 - One Oral Communication course: Speech 101, 102, 104, or 121
 - One Written Communication course: English 101
 - One Critical Thinking course: Philosophy 5, 6, or 9; English 102 or 103; Speech 104; Psychology 66
 - One Math course: Math 215, 227, 235, 238, 240, 245, 260, 261, or 262; Statistics 1 or 7
- Minimum 2.0 GPA
- Good standing at the last college or university you attended

*****NOTE:** Meeting minimum admissions requirements will allow you to apply to the campuses and merit an application review. However, it does not necessarily mean that you will be selected or admitted to the campus.

Transfer Roadmap

Transferring to a CSU requires exploration, decision-making, and strategic planning of coursework. Focused planning is **KEY** to transfer success.



Strategies to Ensure Transfer Success

Local Admission Area Policy- Many CSU system schools give priority for admission to students who attend community college in areas local to the CSU. Pierce College is a local admission school for CSUN and Cal State LA. If you intend on transferring to ANY other CSU that adheres to this policy, you will be held to higher transfer standards, namely: competitive GPA & major prep completion. **Please see a counselor for details.**

Impaction- Many CSUs have specific majors that are impacted and some have campus wide impaction. If you are applying to any of these majors/campuses you will be held to much higher standards for admission, namely: competitive GPA & major prep completion. Please see the following website for impaction status: <http://www.calstate.edu/SAS/impactioninfo.shtml> **Please see a counselor for further information.**

When to Apply

Apply the year before you would like to attend. For example, if you intend to finish your coursework by Spring 2013, you would submit an application or apply Fall 2012.



Deadlines

Term	Application submission period
Fall	October 1-November 30
Spring	August 1-30

Resources

PIERCE COLLEGE TRANSFER CENTER WEBSITE

www.piercecollege.edu/offices/transfer_center

Gain information on the most recent transfer updates and events, access to CSU transfer-related links, and schedule appointments with University Reps.

ASSIST

www.assist.org

Explore majors and educational programs at CSU campuses state-wide and research lower-division major requirements by campus.

CSU ADMISSION WEBSITE

<http://www.csumentor.edu>

Explore CSU campuses, apply to a CSU, and find valuable information on transferring to a CSU.