



2026-27 Impaction Proposal

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Cal Poly Pomona (CPP) Current Impaction Policy

	FTF	UDT
Academic Level (or Campus) Impaction A campus receives more eligible applicants at the first-time freshman or transfer student level than they can accommodate. Thus, the campus itself is then called “impacted.”	Yes	No
Program Impaction A campus looks at each of its programs' capacity, and the number of students currently enrolled and determines how many more students the program can accommodate. When a program continually gets more eligible applicants than it can accommodate, the campus will ask for the program to be called "impacted."	Yes	Yes
Full Impaction A campus that is fully impacted on <i>all</i> levels and for <i>all</i> majors. Each individual program at a campus must then determine its capacity and how many new students it can accept. Examples of Fully Impacted campuses include Fullerton, SLO, and SDSU.	No	No



Impaction Proposal Overview for 2026-27

First-Time Freshmen

- No changes in impaction

Upper Division Transfer

- Psychology & Sociology
 - ✓ Introductory course changed from recommended to required
- Animal Health Science & Animal Science (General)
 - ✓ Additional Biology course option to fulfill the supplemental coursework
- Animal Health Science & Animal Science (General and Pre-Vet)
 - ✓ Enhance points awarded through Multi Factor Admission process for course preparation/completion



Currently Impacted 18 Transfer Majors

College	Major
Agriculture	Animal Health Science
	Animal Science (PreVet & General)
Business	Accounting
Engineering	Aerospace
	Civil
	Computer
	Electrical
	Mechanical
Environmental Design	Architecture
Letters, Arts & Social Sci.	Psychology
	Sociology
Science	Biology
	Biotechnology
	Chemistry
	Computer Science
	Environmental Biology
	Kinesiology - General
	Physics

Psychology and Sociology





Proposed Program Impaction Changes (Transfer): Psychology and Sociology

Proposal:

- Require 2201 Introductory Course

Justification:

- 96% of Psychology and 90% of Sociology applicants possess 2201 Introductory course prior to transfer.
- Students who possess 2201 courses prior to transfer possess a stronger retention and 2-year graduation rate than those who do not.

Impacted Major	Current	Proposed
Psychology	PSY 2201 (recommended) PSY 2204 (recommended) PSY 2210 (recommended) STA 1200 (recommended)	PSY 2201 (required) PSY 2204 (recommended) PSY 2210 (recommended) STA 1200 (recommended)
Sociology	SOC 2201 (recommended) SOC 2205 (recommended) STA 1200 (recommended)	SOC 2201 (required) SOC 2205 (recommended) STA 1200 (recommended)



Proposed Program Impaction Changes (Transfer): Psychology and Sociology

Students who completed 2201 Introductory course prior to transfer demonstrated significantly higher outcomes as shown below.

Cohort Term	Completed PSY2201 Prior to Transfer (C or better)		Did <i>not</i> complete PSY 2201 Prior to Transfer		Completed SOC2201 Prior to Transfer (C or better)		Did <i>not</i> complete SOC 2201 Prior to Transfer	
	Year 2 Retention %	2-Year Grad %	Year 2 Retention %	2-Year Grad %	Year 2 Retention %	2-Year Grad %	Year 2 Retention %	2-Year Grad %
F'18 - F'22	92.40%	53.40%	84.40%	37.80%	90.90%	46.70%	91.70%	35.40%

Minimum Impact to Enrollment:

- **Psychology (PSY 2201):** Since **96.57%** of **enrolled** students **already completed PSY 2201**, requiring this course for admission would have negligible impact on admissions or enrollment numbers.
- **Sociology (SOC 2201):** With **94.25%** of **enrolled** students **having completed SOC 2201**, requiring this course for admission would also have a minimal impact on admissions or enrollment numbers.

Animal Health Science and Animal Science (General & PreVet)





Proposed Program Impaction Changes (Transfer): Animal Health Science and Animal Science (General)

Proposal:

- Add additional Biology course **option**

Justification:

- Provide flexibility with meeting supplemental course recommendations

Impacted Major	Current	Proposed
Animal Health Science	CHM 1210/L (recommended) BIO 1150/L (recommended) STA 1200 (recommended)	CHM 1210/L (recommended) BIO 1150/L or BIO 1210/L (recommended) STA 1200 (recommended)
Animal Science (General)	CHM 1210/L (recommended) BIO 1210/L (recommended) STA 1200 (recommended)	CHM 1210/L (recommended) BIO 1150/L or BIO 1210/L (recommended) STA 1200 (recommended)



Proposed Program Impaction Changes (Transfer): Animal Health Science and Animal Science (Pre-Vet and General)

Proposal:

- Enhance MFA points to provide heavier weight on supplemental course completion
- Two-Pass Admission Process

Justification:

- Program capacity limitation
- Accreditation requirements

Impacted Major	Current	Proposed
Animal Health Science Animal Science (General) Animal Science (Pre-Vet)	Traditional MFA points for supplemental courses Traditional MFA rank order	Two-Pass Admission Process: Pass 1: Applicants with a 3.0 GPA and completion of all supplemental courses receive priority admission consideration. Pass 2: If space remains available, all CSU-eligible applicants are considered, regardless of whether they have completed all supplemental courses. However, GPA and completion of additional supplemental courses will be taken into account during this process to further prioritize applicants.



Proposed Program Impaction Changes (Transfer): Animal Health Science and Animal Science (Pre-Vet & General)

- **Enhance MFA Point Value and Priority Admission for Supplemental Course Completion**
 - Incentivizes community college transfers to complete supplemental/foundation coursework prior to transferring
 - Gives more weight to completed supplemental coursework over GPA alone
 - Prepares students for the academic rigor of the programs
 - If space allows, applicants without all supplemental coursework may still be considered for admission, ensuring inclusivity while prioritizing preparedness
- **Accreditation Standards**
 - Aligns with accreditation goals by fostering academic preparedness, maintaining faculty-to-student ratios based on program capacity



Summary Transfer Impaction Changes

- Require Introductory Course:
 - Psychology
 - Sociology
- Add Biology course option:
 - Animal Health Science
 - Animal Science (General)
- Enhance MFA point value and admission priority for supplemental course completion:
 - Animal Health Science
 - Animal Science (General)
 - Animal Science (Pre-Vet)



Next Steps

- ✓ **January 15** - Submit proposal to CSU Chancellor's Office for review and approval
- ✓ **January 16**- Campuses receive tentative approval or denial for new or modified impaction requests from the Chancellor's Office
- ✓ **February 7** – Launch public [website](#) and publish plans in 3 three newspapers within the campus service area
 - **February 12-24** – Conduct campus consultations with student government, academic senate, college deans, college associate deans, and department chairs
 - **February 17-21** - Hold three public hearings in various locations/times in the service area of the affected campus. Post and retain comments or composites solicited at these hearings on the campus website
 - **March 7** - Final Submission to the Chancellor's Office

In addition to holding public hearings, campuses must consult in a substantive manner with their Academic Senate, Associated Students and other relevant shared governance bodies to discuss the proposed changes and incorporate their feedback into the final submission.

Questions?

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