

The University

The California State University, Fresno campus is located in the central San Joaquin Valley, against a backdrop of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. The campus has been situated at its present site on the northeast edge of Fresno since 1953. The University is the sixth oldest in the California State University system, originally founded in 1911 as the first junior college in the State. In 1961, under the newly created California State College system, the administration and control of the State colleges was transferred to the Trustees of the California State Colleges. The system was renamed The California State University in 1972.

Located in one of the richest agricultural regions in the world, the University's 327 acre campus was designated an arboretum in 1978. The University's facilities also include a 1,083-0acre farm that is considered one of the most modern and best-equipped agricultural facilities in the West.

The campus serves a large, diverse multi-cultural population from the Central Valley and neighboring communities, as well as a good number of students from California, and other states and nations.