

**From: College of Science and Mathematics BOND**

**2576 E. San Ramon MS/ST90**

**Fresno California 93740**

**To: Future Students of CSM BOND**

Thank you for taking the time to consider CSM BOND for your first year here at Fresno State in the College of Science and Mathematics. Our program is designed to help you navigate our rigorous campus dynamics and develop both critical thinking and applied skills. Being a part of the BOND program we will connect you with many different student support services, provide direct interaction with faculty in your major, access to a rental tablet for the 1<sup>st</sup> year, and guaranteed two areas of general education courses (Area A3 and E). We, the Faculty and Staff of CSM BOND, are excited that you have considered our program and look forward to seeing you this Fall semester. Below is the CSM BOND application, you may either complete the application below by mail or online through the [CSM BOND website](#).

By accepting to be a part of CSM BOND, you are committing to:

- **1-year commitment with a cohort learning dynamic**
  - **Must be CSM Major: (Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Environmental Science, Mathematics, Natural Science, Physics)**
  - **DiscoverE based Learning: (Tablet or Laptop Required)**
  - **Mandatory Courses: CSM 10 and CSM 15: (Dropping CSM 10 or 15 will result in an automatic drop from all cohorted courses):**
    - **Entry Level Math: 4R, 6 or 75**
    - **General Chemistry: 1A**
  - **Accept or Decline BOND program offer by June 30, 2017**
- **Entry Level Math (ELM) and English Placement Test (EPT) Scores by June 1<sup>st</sup>**
- **Summer Experience program August 14-18**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print name) hereby:

\_\_\_\_\_ **ACCEPT** the CSM BOND program offer and conditions

\_\_\_\_\_ **DECLINE** the CSM BOND program offer and conditions

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID \_\_\_\_\_

*If under the age of 18:*

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print name):

\_\_\_\_\_ **Need a Loaner Tablet.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Do-not Need a Loaner Tablet.**

**PLEASE MAIL TO:**

**College of Science and Mathematics**

**ATTN: Nalong Mekdara**

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## **CSM BOND Program Checklist**

1. Accept coming to Fresno State through [MyFresnoState](#) under My Admission Information.
  - a. In mid-March you will receive an email to Accept or Decline admission. The deadline for response is **May 1, 2017**.
  - b. Transcripts need to be in by **June 30th**.
2. Make sure you take or are exempt from [English Placement Test \(EPT\) and Entry Level Mathematics \(ELM\) test by early May](#).
  - a. The California State University (CSU) requires you to take these placement test(s) as soon as possible after admission prior to enrollment unless you are exempt by means of scores earned from other appropriate tests. For further information regarding the testing requirement and exemptions, please access the [CSU Information Bulletin](#). Students are welcome to [prepare for the ELM](#) to ensure they will not have a remediation hold and be on track for a four year graduation.
    - i. Next ELM/EPT exam at Fresno State is May 6th- **YOU MUST REGISTER BY APRIL 21**. You can find more information from [Fresno State Testing Services](#).
  - b. Early Start Program: [Depending on your EPT or ELM scores](#) you may need to complete an Early Start experience the summer before fall 2017. [Check your Early Start status](#) through your MyFresnoState portal.
    - i. If you score below a 50 on the ELM students in the BOND program are to enroll in the ESM 3 course over the summer at Fresno State. During this course students will receive additional support to pass the end of course exam so as to remove their remediation hold as well as prepare them for the Calculus Readiness Test (CRT).
  - c. If you are exempt ([not conditionally exempt](#)) from the ELM/Early Start Math Program your next step will be to prepare to take the [Calculus Readiness Test \(CRT\) no later than JUNE 1st](#).
    - i. Students can only take the CRT once a semester so we *highly recommend* that they [study](#) and [prepare](#) for the exam.
3. Register for Dog Days by **May 1<sup>st</sup>** through your MyFresnoState portal. Failure to do so will result in your admission to Fresno State subject to cancellation.
4. Complete the **CSM BOND program application** by **June 30**.
5. Keep the week before classes, **August 14-18 free** of obligations for the mandatory Summer Experience.
6. Start Checking your Fresno State email because we will be reaching out with upcoming events for our program as well as the university overall.
7. Check your [MyFresnoState](#) portal regularly for new To Do list items.

*If you have further questions feel free to call the College of Science and Mathematics Advising and Resource Center (ARC) at 278.4150, or check our program's website, or email the coordinator Nalong Mekdara at [nmekdara@csufresno.edu](mailto:nmekdara@csufresno.edu).*