

YOUR CATALOG YEAR

As a new transfer student, you need to determine which requirements you should follow, i.e., what your catalog rights are—sometimes referred to as “election of regulations.” You may have two or three options:

Transfer catalog: The California State University, Fresno catalog in effect when your continuous enrollment began (defined below).

Entrance catalog: The catalog in effect when you enter California State University, Fresno (for Fall 2005 or Spring 2006 this would be the 2005-2006 **General Catalog**).

Graduation catalog: The catalog in effect when you graduate from Fresno State.

To know whether you have rights to a previous Fresno State catalog and to determine which new requirements may apply, you must understand the concept of continuous enrollment.

Continuous enrollment begins when you have graduated from high school and enroll in any California Community College (CCC) or California State University (CSU). You maintain continuous enrollment as long as you register one semester (or two quarters) of each calendar year (not school year). Enrollment through Extended Education or Open University does not count toward continuous enrollment.

Once catalog rights have been established, attendance at accredited colleges/universities outside the CCC and CSU count for continuous enrollment as long as you return within two years.

If you have attended only

private colleges/universities,
out-of-state colleges/universities,
the University of California system **or**
if you did not attend one semester or two quarters in 2004

you can choose

your **entrance catalog** (2005-2006 **General Catalog**) **or**
your **graduation catalog**.

On the following page, you will find an example and a chart to help you determine when your continuous enrollment began. You will then know for sure if you are eligible for an earlier catalog and whether or not you may be affected by recent changes in requirements.