



The Office of Graduate Studies Presents:

# EXPLORING GRADUATE EDUCATION IN 2023

# Why Graduate Education?

- Learn more. Earn more.
  - ❖ How much more do people with master's degrees earn over their lifetime?
  - ❖ Are people with master's degrees less likely to be unemployed?
  - ❖ The undergraduate experience is about learning.
  - ❖ Your graduate education will be about doing, researching, teaching, creating, and innovating.



# Types of Degrees: Master's

- Master of Science (M.S.)
- Master of Arts (M.A.)
- Other Masters
  - ❖ Business Administration (MBA)
  - ❖ Public Administration (MPA)
  - ❖ Public Health (MPH)
  - ❖ Social Work (MSW)
  - ❖ School Psychology (Ed.S.)
  - ❖ Master of Fine Art (M.F.A.)





# Types of Graduate Degrees: Doctoral and Professional

- Doctorate
  - ❖ Educational Leadership (Ed.D.)
  - ❖ Doctor of Philosophy (PhD.)
- Doctor of Medicine (M.D.)
- Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)
- Juris Doctor (J.D.)
- Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M.)



# Types of Admissions Tests

- Ph.D. – Graduate Record Examination (GRE)
- Medical School – Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT)
- Pharmacy School – Pharmacy College Admission Test (PCAT)
- Law School – Law School Admission Test (LSAT)
- Veterinary Medicine – GRE or possibly the Veterinary College Admission Test (VCAT)



# Financial Aid Brochure for Graduate Students



- Here is a one-stop-shop for all graduate school funding opportunities for grad students, along with the requirements for each individual opportunity.
- Please save the link to come back to this brochure when you might need to reference it!



# Funding Your Master's, Doctorate or Professional Education

- Funding your Ph.D.
  - ❖ Consider applying for
    - ❖ The California Pre-Doctoral Program
    - ❖ The Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive Program
  - ❖ Find a Ph.D. program that will be fully funded.



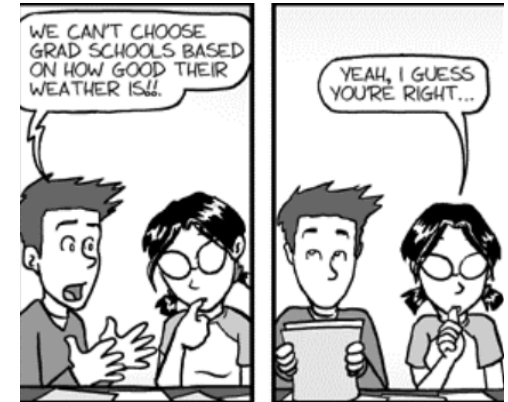
# Funding Your Master's, Doctorate, or Professional Education

- ❖ Funding your Master's or Professional Education
  - ❖ Look for schools that may offer incentives but keep overall cost in mind.
  - ❖ Borrow smartly (Federal loans & private loans)
  - ❖ Internships, Fellowships, and Scholarships
  - ❖ Talk to your employer about tuition reimbursement or assistance.



# Applying to Graduate Programs

- Deciding what you want to study
  - ❖ Network with others in the field
    - ❖ (LinkedIn, Alumni network, faculty, etc.)
  - ❖ Make a list of your schools
    - ❖ (Dream, Target, and Safety)
  - ❖ Reach out to the graduate recruiter
    - Schedule a campus visit, if feasible
  - ❖ Reach out to the graduate program coordinator/advisor

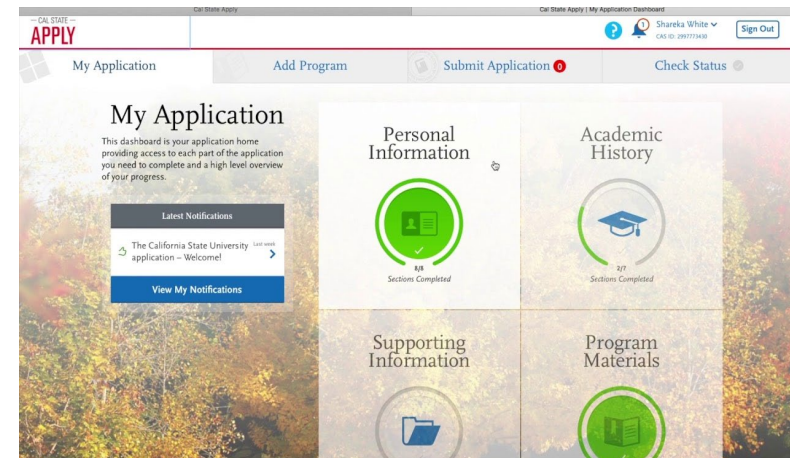


# Applying to Graduate Programs

- Make a list of recommenders and reach out early
- Begin studying for any required standardized tests (if required).
- Begin drafting your personal statement
  - ❖ Consider an appointment at your campus Writing Center
- Update your resume or Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Make note of application and funding deadlines

# When Should You Apply?

- Programs have different application deadlines.
- Look at those deadlines NOW, and planning accordingly
  - (required documents, timeline for requesting LORs and drafting your Personal Statement, etc.)



# Graduate Education at CSUSB

- More than 50 graduate and certificate programs across five colleges.
- Cost-efficient education
- Staff and faculty dedicated to your prosperity and success





# Who are CSUSB graduate alumni?

- Distinguished authors
- Local and state politicians
- Business leaders
- Education leaders
- Performers
- Community activists

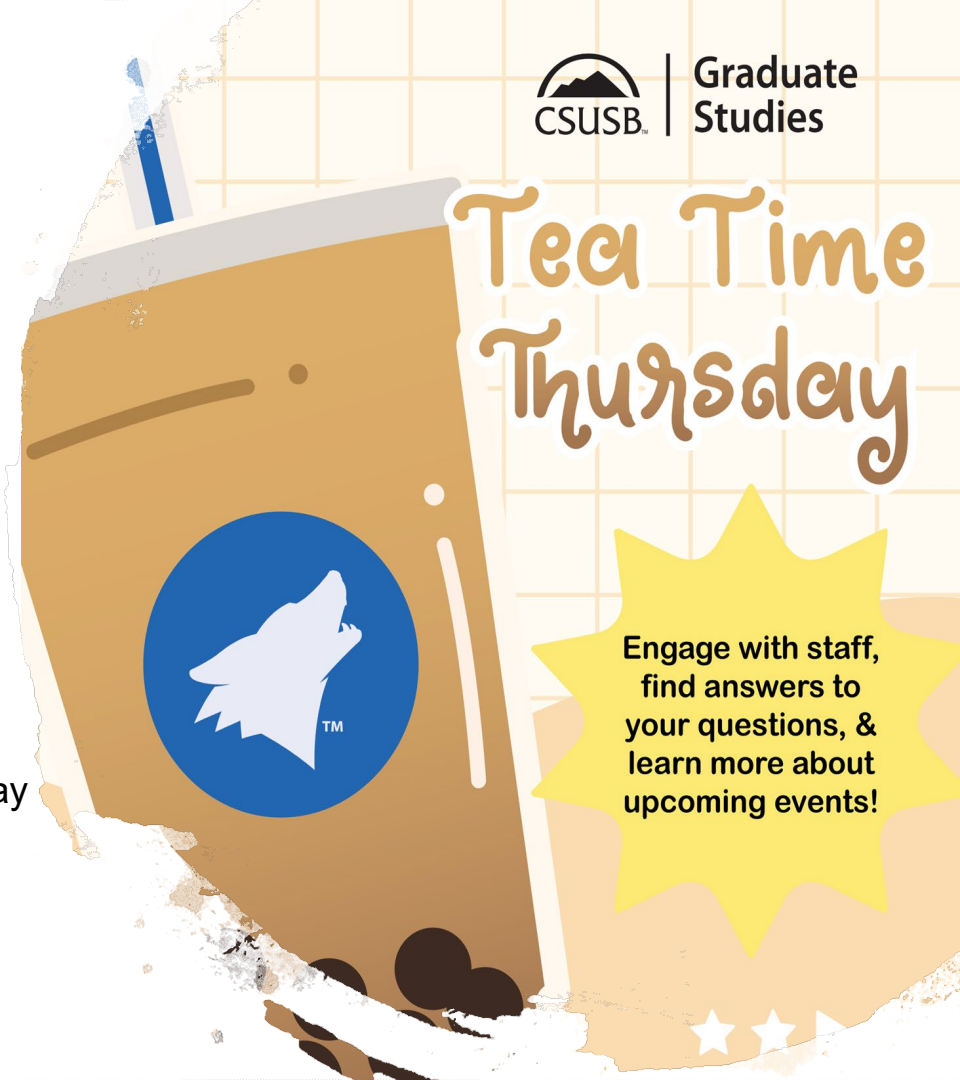


# Drop-In Sessions with Erma Cross, Recruitment & Outreach Specialist

- Erma is here to help:
- ❖ guide you to your ideal graduate program
  - ❖ assist in the application process
  - ❖ be a liaison between you and your graduate program for questions or concerns
  - ❖ Drop-In to one of Erma's Taco Tuesdays Walk-In Wednesday or Tea-Time Thursday session
  - ❖ Learn more about graduate education at CSUSB: [csusb.edu/graduate-studies/prospective-students/explore-graduate-education](https://csusb.edu/graduate-studies/prospective-students/explore-graduate-education)

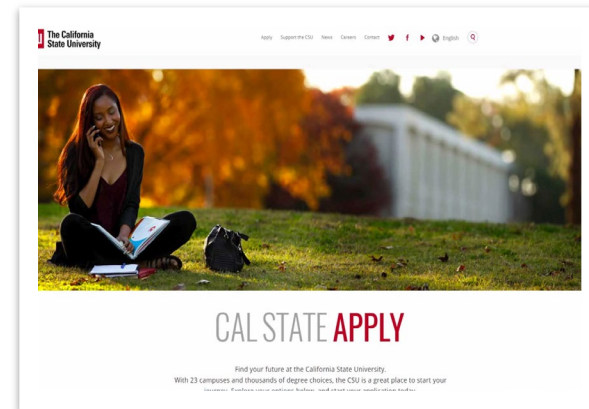
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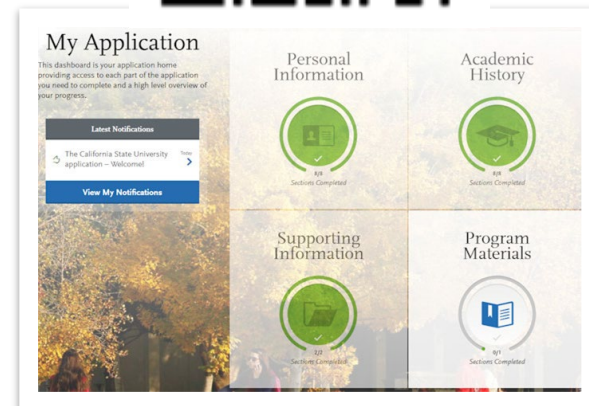


# Applying to a Graduate Program at CSUSB

- Apply online through Cal State Apply.
- Consider an Application Information Sessions
- Requesting Letters of Recommendation tips
- Writing your Personal Statement writing tips



Register Here





# Funding Your CSUSB Graduate Education

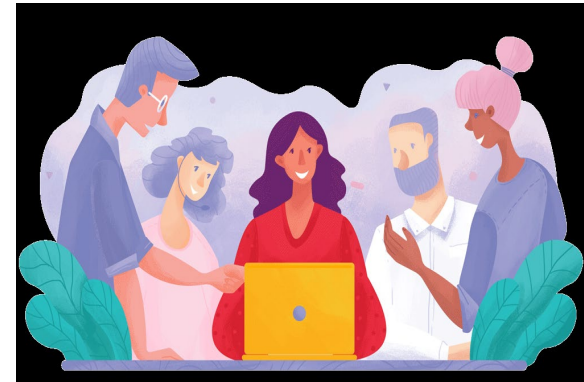
- ❖ Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act Application (CADAA)
- ❖ State University Grant
- ❖ CSUSB Scholarships
- ❖ Graduate Equity Fellowship
- ❖ Merit-Based Presidential Scholarship
- ❖ Student Research and Travel
- ❖ California Pre-Doctoral Program
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- ❖ Over 60 Program





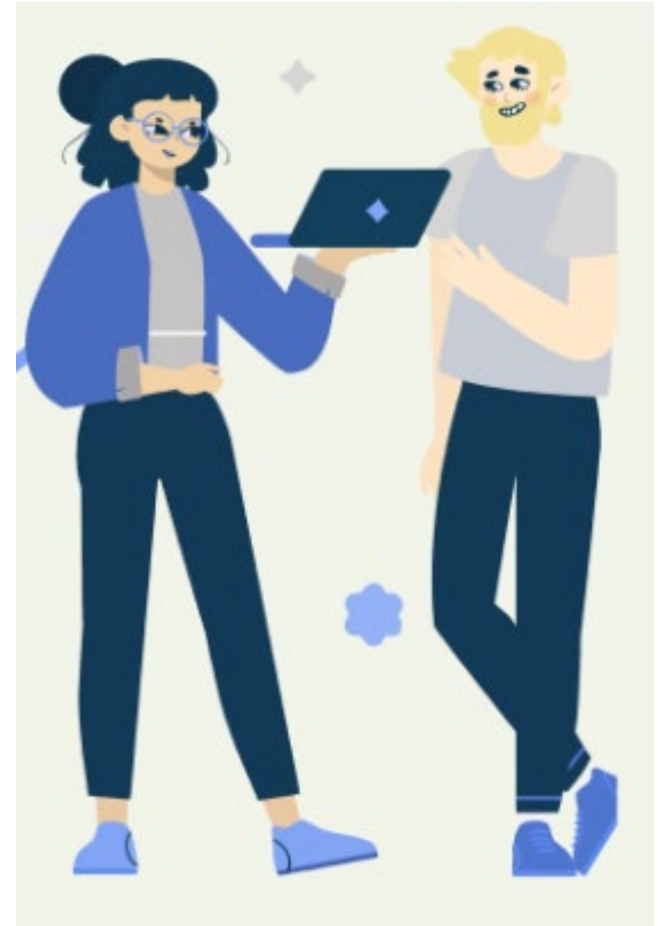
# Who is Your CSUSB Support Team?

- Erma Cross
  - ❖ Helping with navigating possible programs you may want to apply to, and application requirements.
- April Lane
  - ❖ Completing your Cal State Apply online application and ongoing graduate student resource support services.
- Megan Kinnally
  - ❖ Writing a stellar Personal Statement
- Graduate Program Coordinator
  - ❖ Answering questions about the program, application-specific questions, reviewing your application for admission.
- Office of Financial Aid & Scholarships
  - ❖ Answers questions about FAFSA, loans, grants, and scholarships.
- Human Resources
  - ❖ Currently a staff member with CSUSB? You may qualify for a tuition fee waiver for graduate school! If you have any questions, please contact [hrd-fw@csusb.edu](mailto:hrd-fw@csusb.edu).



# CSUSB Graduate Studies Events

- Graduate Student Orientation
- Professional Origin Story Panel
- Research Origin Story Panel
- Women in Academia Discussion
- Grad Slam: Three-Minute Thesis
- Career Readiness Series
- Financial Wellness February
- Mental Wellness May



# Contact Us!

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