

SDSU Imperial Valley Degree Completion Programs FAQs



What are the admission requirements for these programs?

When applying to one of our degree completion programs, you should have 60 or more semester units (90 or more quarter units) completed, along with the minimum GPA requirements and all CSU requirements satisfied. All admission requirements for the Bachelor's in Business Administration and Bachelor's in Child Development programs are located on our website. An ADT (Associate Degree for Transfer) is not a requirement for program eligibility.

When can I apply to these programs? How do I apply to these programs?

Please visit our website at neverstoplearning.net/SDSUIV for the latest application instructions and admission requirements.

When can I expect an admission decision?

Admission decisions will be made within two weeks of the application deadline.

What does the business degree completion program offer me?

SDSU's B.S. in Business Administration program provides an overview and fundamental working knowledge of the varied aspects of a business. You'll receive a broad and generalized understanding of the functions of a business and how the various sub-disciplines within a business interact to contribute to the success of an organization. Courses are led by faculty and instructors from SDSU's renowned Fowler College of Business.

Want to Learn More?

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What does the child development degree completion program offer me?

The Bachelor of Science in Child Development degree completion program can help you turn your passion for children and healthy childhood development into a rewarding career. Led by renowned faculty and lecturers from SDSU's Department of Child and Family Development, this program is designed to help you understand the physical, cognitive, and social development of children in the context of families, communities, and culture. If you're passionate about building stronger communities through our children, this program is for you!

Essential to your degree is a 120-hour community outreach experience, where you'll work directly with child and family service providers located in the Imperial Valley area. You'll be able to get involved and make a difference while building a foundation for your future career in a variety of fields, including education, social services, public administration, and more.

How do I determine if I have the required prerequisites for these programs?

If you'd like to speak to an Admissions Advisor at SDSU about program details or application instructions, please email admission.global@sdsu.edu. You can also schedule an appointment with an Admissions Advisor using the contact information at the end of this flyer.

You can also use **SDSU Tap, Assist.org**, or our **Transfer Admissions Information** page to determine if you have taken the equivalent prerequisite courses.

Do you accept transfer credits into your program?

SDSU will accept courses from accredited colleges and universities that are designated as baccalaureate level at the institution where the work was completed. Some courses may be used to meet specific requirements in General Education or the major. Transferable courses that do not meet any specific requirement may be accepted as elective credits. More information can be found on our **Transfer Admissions Information** page.

How do I apply for financial aid?

You may apply for financial aid without applying for admission to the University. You should complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to be considered for all types of state and federal aid. Learn more about **how to apply for financial aid**.

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Are these programs accredited?

All of the degree programs and majors at SDSU (in-person and online) are accredited via the WASC Senior College and University Commission. The “WASC Senior College and University Commission” is the regional accrediting agency that serves a diverse membership of public and private higher education institutions throughout California, Hawaii, and the Pacific as well as a number of international institutions.

Who teaches the classes? Are they SDSU faculty?

Courses in our degree completion programs are team-taught. Faculty who have demonstrated an ability to excel in their regular on-campus teaching assignments prepare all course material using the most current technology and tools. Facilitators who routinely teach the course on-campus or are subject area experts monitor the course’s day-to-day delivery. Together, their goal is to bring to you the same rigor and content as on-campus courses.

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How are these programs structured?

These degree completion programs are structured to be flexible and convenient. Courses run in eight-week blocks, so a full-time student can take four courses each term, and still focus on just two in a block at any given time. These programs also accommodate students who want to take courses on a part-time basis. Although courses are expected to be completed by the end of the 8-week block in which they are offered, these programs are entirely self-paced, which means that you can either slow down by taking a lighter course load or speed up by taking a heavier course load.

Courses are taught asynchronously, so you’ll be able to complete the work on your time when it’s convenient for you within the due dates and deliverable dates.

The Child Development program also includes a 120-hour community-based learning experience over an eight-week period at the end of your program, where you’ll work with preselected child and family service providers in the San Diego community. **Students living outside of San Diego County or Imperial County must be able to travel to San Diego County or Imperial County to fulfill these in-person requirements once in-person education resumes.**

Once admitted, may I add another major or minor?

No additional majors or minors are permitted when taking these degree completion programs.

How long do I have to complete these program?

Although each course is expected to be completed by the end of the 8-week block in which it is offered, these programs are entirely self-paced, which will give you the option of slowing down by taking a lighter course load or speeding up by taking a heavier class load. At this rate, the program can be completed in six terms, or two years.

Can I work while completing these programs?

Yes.

How much do these programs cost?

The cost of our programs varies depending on which degree you’re earning, how many units you’ve transferred in, and other factors. We encourage you to reach out to one of our admission advisors to discuss your academic plan in order to determine your individual cost. Please note that you’re also responsible for the costs of required texts and learning materials, as well as incidental fees related to your application for admission and graduation.

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Do these programs result in the same degrees as SDSU's on-campus degree?

Upon completion of the program, you'll be awarded the same degree that on-campus students receive.

- **Child Development:** Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences in Child Development
- **Business:** Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

The diploma received and transcript will not distinguish that the program was completed online.

Will I get to walk in my graduation ceremony at SDSU?

Yes, you'll have the opportunity to walk in the commencement ceremonies and participate in other SDSU activities.

Are international students eligible to apply?

Not at this time.

What grades are required to graduate from these programs?

A minimum GPA of 2.75 for the Business program and 2.40 for the Child Development program is required in the following areas:

- SDSU GPA
- Cumulative GPA
- Major GPA
- Minor GPA

What kind of disability accommodations will be in place for these programs?

Each student will be authorized for his or her unique set of accommodations based on individual needs. Please consult our **Overview of Services and Accommodations** for more information.

How is academic integrity maintained in the online program?

All SDSU students are expected to follow standards for student conduct. Dishonesty, to include cheating, plagiarism, and other forms of academic dishonesty, are behaviors inconsistent with the university's **Student Code of Conduct**, which is accessible online.

SDSU adheres to a strict policy regarding cheating and plagiarism. Any cheating or plagiarism in a class results in failing that class and the possibility of further disciplinary review. Students in the online program must agree that all required written submissions will be subject to review by Turnitin.com for the detection of plagiarism. To uphold the integrity of exams and tests and level the playing field for students who fear that their classmates may be unfairly cheating to get higher grades, students in the online program must also agree to allow the use of a remote proctoring service when taking assessments

What does the SDSU Imperial Valley Degree Completion Program mean for me?

Earning your degree through an SDSU Imperial Valley Degree Completion Program means that you'll have full access to SDSU's online degree completion programs, with courses taught by SDSU faculty. Upon completion, you'll receive the same degree as SDSU's on-campus students.

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