Now entering its 51st year, California State University, San Bernardino serves a student population of 20,024, with 84 percent of them the first in their families to attend college. Our students are 61 percent female, 57 percent Hispanic and 6 percent African American, and 62 percent are Pell Grant recipients. Eighty-five percent of our students come from San Bernardino and Riverside counties, a region in which baccalaureate degree attainment is just 19 percent, one of the lowest levels in the country.

CSUSB is working to increase that number with the help of programs such as:

- **GEAR-UP**
  The CSUSB GEAR-UP program is working with eight San Bernardino City Unified School District middle schools, following the Class of 2020 as it proceeds toward high school graduation. The effort seeks to decrease the rate of dropouts and increase the number of students enrolling in postsecondary education.

- **Black/Brown Conference**
  In 2014, just 21 percent of Black males and 25 percent of Latino males attending high school in San Bernardino County graduated. Those figures led us to establish the Black and Brown Conference, which brings young Latino and African American students from local middle schools to our campus to meet with faculty and staff, attend college prep workshops and make connections with current CSUSB students.

- **Coyote First STEP**
  For incoming first-year students requiring some form of math and/or English remediation, we created a unique, intensive residential early start program – Coyote First STEP (Student Transition Enhancement Program). A comprehensive program of both academic and co-curricular experiences, Coyote First STEP reduces the need for remediation and provides support structures proven to help high-need students succeed in their post-secondary education.

- **Governor’s Innovation Award – Southern California Initiative for Education and Prosperity**
  CSUSB has helped form a bi-county K-20 collaborative addressing college readiness and increasing baccalaureate degree attainment in our region, particularly among underrepresented groups. The Southern California Initiative for Education and Prosperity (SCIEP) unites and coordinates more than 100 leaders from multiple sectors. Its efforts led to a $5 million award from the state of California.

- **Guaranteed Admission Pacts**
  CSUSB has entered into Guaranteed Admission Pacts with 20 districts within San Bernardino and Riverside counties to encourage students to complete the college preparatory A to G requirements. Those who do and apply to this university will have a seat waiting for them here upon high school graduation.

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California State University, San Bernardino is a springboard to opportunity for the communities it serves and plays a vital role in growing the economy and improving the quality of life. Each year, the university produces nearly 4,000 graduates who help to fill and attract high-paying, knowledge-based jobs. More than 2,000 students participate annually in civic engagement programs, volunteering over 80,000 hours – the equivalent of $2 million – to local communities. The university’s centers and institutes have become powerful regional and state resources for issues ranging from water, transportation, jobs creation, economic education, cyber security and health disparities. | www.csusb.edu