General Information

California State University, Bakersfield operates two facilities in the Antelope Valley. One on the northeast corner of Antelope Valley College (AVC, J-8 and 30th West) and at the Lancaster University Center (LUC, Division and Ave. I). The campus provides the residents of the Greater Antelope Valley program completions leading to Bachelors in a number of disciplines, and the ability to obtain a Masters, without leaving the area. This cooperative arrangement between two segments of California’s public higher education system enables students who complete an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science program at a community college to continue their academic studies at state resident rates. All programs offered at CSUBAV are fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and are an integral part of the curricula of California State University, Bakersfield.

Admission Procedures and Policies at CSUB—Antelope Valley (CSUB-AV)

Students interested in attending CSUB—Antelope Valley to pursue a degree program must apply for admission online at www.csumentor.edu, pay the application fee, submit official transcripts from all previously attempted college work, and in some cases, submit official high school transcripts with ACT or SAT scores.

Once you are admitted to CSUB-AV, you will meet with an advisor and attend an orientation session prior to being allowed to register for classes. Although the Records Office at the Bakersfield site of CSUB is responsible for the registration process and academic record keeping, you will register using online systems. This means that you must have all prerequisites officially recorded for any course you request. The CSUB-AV Front Desk and Advising staff is available for students having registration questions or problems.

Students may access their myCSUB on the campus web site (www.csub.edu) to obtain information about status of the application for admission, financial aid, class registration, billing for fees, and review of final grades by using the same set of procedures and menus used for online registration.

Course offerings are designed to accommodate the diverse needs of students, using a variety of teaching environments (ITV, on-line, and in-person) scheduled weekday mornings, afternoons, and some evenings, as well as occasionally on weekends and asynchronously.

CSUB-AV is a degree completion campus, offering only upper division courses for major degree requirements. Baccalaureate programs are completed through 2+2 programs articulated with community colleges of the Greater Antelope Valley. Baccalaureate programs offered or currently planned for implementation during the 2011/12 and 2012/13 academic years include:

- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration
- Bachelor of Arts in Child, Adolescent, and Family Studies
- Bachelor of Arts in Communications
- Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice
- Bachelor of Arts in English
- Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN on-line only)
- Bachelor of Arts in Sociology

The School of Social Sciences and Education also offers the Master of Arts degree in Education with specializations in Curriculum and Instruction, Educational Administration, and Special Education. School credentials are offered in multiple subject (elementary), single subject (secondary), Special Education (mild/moderate and moderate/severe), and educational administration. The Master of Social Work and Master of English are also offered, with cohorts usually beginning in the fall.

Information about each major is available from the CSUB—Antelope Valley Advising office located at the AVC site and on the home pages for CSUB academic departments and programs.

Student Services

The range of services provided by CSUB—Antelope Valley includes new student orientations, health services, student activities, computer labs, and library services.
Although each student must see an advisor annually, two weeks are set aside each term to obtain academic advising in preparation for next quarter of course registration. Academic and Peer Advisors are available by appointment at the CSUBAV Office. Consulting with an advisor, registering on one’s priority date, and paying fees by the due date usually assures getting the classes students want and need.

Students at CSUB—Antelope Valley may apply for grants, loans, work-study, and scholarships. The Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships administers some 20 different financial aid programs to enable students without adequate finances to attend the Campus. Veterans’ education benefits are provided to students who qualify. Financial aid counselors are available via the phone and visit the campus monthly to provide information and guidance concerning the financial aid application and delivery process. The Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships home page has additional information concerning the financial aid process.

CSUB—Antelope Valley also serves students with disabilities, consistent with existing and emerging legislation and regulations (Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973). Students with documented disabilities are entitled to receive approved accommodations, modifications, and auxiliary aids that will enable them to participate in and benefit from all educational programs and activities offered through CSUB-AV. Available services include alternate format materials, alternate testing accommodations, assistive technology and adaptive equipment, learning disability assessment, note taking, sign language interpreters, readers and scribes, and taped textbooks. Disability packets and requests for services for students with disabilities are available at the CSUB-AV Office.

The Walter W. Stiern Library has more than 60 electronic journal databases selected to support CSUB & CSUB-AV majors. Of particular interest to CSUB-AV students are the Distance Services request form, electronic course reserves, the Library catalog, Reference resources, and Ask a Librarian chat reference, all accessible from any computer with an Internet connection via the Library home page (www.csub.edu/library). A Runner ID number is required to access most of these resources when off campus. Library books may be requested by clicking on Distance Services and inserting the appropriate information in the boxes. They are shipped to the Strata Learning Resource Center (Bldg 500), usually within three business days. Research assistance can be obtained by contacting the CSUB-AV librarian at 661-952-5072, coming to the Strata Learning Resource Center, or through e-mail at kholloway2@csub.edu.

The Academic Advancement Center, operating under the aegis of Educational Support Services, provides an academic support program that is available to students experiencing difficulties or simply interested in strengthening their academic skills through tutoring. Tutoring services provided by the Academic Advancement Center are offered at the CSUB—AV in offices adjacent to the Strata Learning Resource Center.

Additional information on each service is available by contacting CSUB-AV or perusing our home page www.csub.edu/av.