

The CAN-TRIO program congratulates transfer students for their accomplishments. Three transfer CAN scholars shared about their journey toward transfer and future plans. Read their stories below.

TRANSFER STUDENTS



Adilene

How did you decide on your major?

I chose Spanish because it was a dream I had since high school. This major represents the opportunity to learn and teach the richness of my culture and language, as well as do

what I enjoy which is teach and help other people through education. Spanish is my first language and it has motivated me to choose it as my career because I feel comfortable, and it is something I enjoy. In addition, the U.S. has a large population of Hispanics, and many people are interested in learning Spanish because it is a way to communicate with others who are part of this big country.

What influenced your university choice?

I selected the universities according to my economic situation; however, I sought information about the different programs at each institution from professors and other students. I chose the University of California, Berkeley based on my political views and culture because I want to attend an institution that will allow me to embrace my culture, while also learning about other cultures.

What are your plans after obtaining your bachelor's degree?

After I finish my bachelor's degree, I will pursue a masters in Spanish with the aim of becoming a Spanish teacher at a college or university. This will help me achieve another important goal of mine which is to dedicate time volunteering to teach Spanish in a community library or organization. My career goal is important to me because I have received a significant amount of help, so I want to pay it forward to my community.



Chad

How did you decide on your major?

I chose electrical engineering as my major because I wanted to challenge myself academically and push myself beyond what I

thought I was capable of achieving. It would lead to a profession that encourages intellectual development and has the possibility of having a positive social impact. My interest in electrical engineering stems from working with music equipment and tinkering with sound waves to generate various noises and sounds.

What influenced your university choice?

I chose to attend Cal Poly, SLO because it is a great school for engineering, but it is also close to my family and support system. Having to uproot my kids from daycare and preschool would have been possible, but would have introduced an extra hardship in their lives that I would rather avoid. Family and education are important to me, and I am grateful I do not have to sacrifice one for the other.

What are your plans after obtaining your bachelor's degree?

After completing my bachelor's degree, I would like to join the workforce as an electrical engineer, designing components and circuits that go into electronic musical instruments. I will also help fulfill my spouse's dream of being a stay-at-home wife.



Ezequiel

How did you decide on your major?

I wanted to improve my leadership skills, while being able to give back to my community. I joined clubs such as CAN, AGS, Bulldog

Rec-ing, ASTRA, and the Multicultural Club. Through my participation, I developed an interest in recreation management as a major.

What influenced your university choice?

I wanted to go to CSU Long Beach as it would provide me the chance to improve my leadership skills and open more opportunities.

What are your plans after obtaining your bachelor's degree?

I would like to pursue my master's and then my doctorate.

