



Office of the Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs
FINANCIAL AID FOR COLLEGE



Financial Aid consists of:

Grants

Free money from the state, federal government and/or the university, based on financial need. Grants do not have to be paid back

Scholarships

Free money awarded to students for academic achievement, interests, special talents, financial need or a combination of different factors.



Work Study

Federal program which funds part-time student employment to help pay for college. The amount awarded to each student is based on their individual need.

Loans

Money that is borrowed by the student or parent, which must be repaid with interest. Money can be borrowed from Federal, State, or Private Loan agencies.

How do I apply for this money?

FAFSA	DREAM ACT
<p>Who should file a FAFSA? <i>U.S. Citizen or eligible noncitizen</i> with valid social security (not DACA). Males between the ages of 18 and 25, must register for selective service.</p>	<p>Who should file the CA Dream Act Application? <i>Undocumented students</i> without a social security, <i>or only a DACA social security</i>. Student must meet AB540 criteria. Males between the ages of 18 and 25, must register for selective service.</p>
<p>Deadline: To apply for FAFSA or Dream Act you must submit online application <i>between October 1st and March 2nd of Senior year (12th Grade) in high school</i>. This is the priority deadline for consideration for the CAL Grants and other institutional awards.</p>	
<p>Visit: www.fafsa.ed.gov</p>	<p>Visit: https://dream.csac.ca.gov/</p>
<p>What will I need to apply? Information Needed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Student License # (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Student's SSN or Permanent Resident # <input type="checkbox"/> Student Date of Birth <input type="checkbox"/> Parent 1 Date of Birth <input type="checkbox"/> Parent 1 Social Security (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Parent 2 Date of Birth (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Parent 2 Social Security <input type="checkbox"/> Date of Parent Married, Remarried, Divorced, or Widowed (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Parent(s) total cash, savings, checking account value <input type="checkbox"/> State Disability received (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Child Support amount received or paid (if applicable) <p>Documents needed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Student W-2 (if student worked) <input type="checkbox"/> Parent(s) W-2 <input type="checkbox"/> Students most recent Tax Return (2015 or 2016 if filed) <input type="checkbox"/> Parent(s) most recent Tax Return (2015 or 2016 if filed) <input type="checkbox"/> For the year 2015-16 did you or parents receive any of these benefits: Social Security (Disability/Supplemental), TANF(Welfare), Worker's Comp., WIC, Food Stamps 	<p>AB540 Eligibility Criteria</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attend a California school for 3 or more years. 2. Graduate with a High School Diploma or GED equivalent. 3. Enroll in an accredited higher education institution in California 4. Must file an affidavit, stating that the filer will apply for legal residency as soon as possible. 5. Must not hold a valid non-immigrant visa (F, J, H, L, A, E, etc.) <p>Note: Males between the ages of 18 to 25 must register for selective service.</p> <p>What will I need to apply?</p> <p>← See list on left column.</p>  

Having Trouble Completing Your Application?

Visit: <https://fafsa.ed.gov/help.htm>

Visit: <https://dream.csac.ca.gov/application/DreamActHelp.aspx>

Financial Aid Websites

www.fafsa.ed.gov – The official Financial Aid website where students can complete the application and find additional information.

<https://fsaid.ed.gov> – An FSAID is a username and password that you must use to log in to your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Your FSA ID identifies you as someone who has the right to access your own personal information on the FAFSA site at fafsa.gov. Your FSA ID is your electronic signature, so it has to be unique to you. A Social Security Number is required to apply for a FSAID. Students and/or parents who do not have a SSN# cannot apply for an FSAID. They must print, sign, and mail the signature page.

www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov – Provides an early personalized eligibility estimate of federal student aid and estimated family contribution.

www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/paying-for-uc/index.html – Financing your UC Education resource website

www2.calstate.edu/attend/paying-for-college/financial-aid Provides information regarding cost and estimator tool for students and parents

www.calgrants.org – California Grant (Cal Grant) iacashforcollege.org- Los Angeles County "Cash for College" events website.

www.scholarshare.org – California 529 Scholarship savings plan

Scholarship Resource Websites

www.finaid.org – The calculator featured on this site is a great tool for figuring out exactly how much you will need in scholarships

www.gmsp.org- Gates Millennium Undergraduate Scholarship

www.jackierobinson.org- Jackie Robinson Foundation, Inc.

www.scholarships.com- A free college scholarship search and financial aid resource. It provides links to contests that offer scholarship awards up to \$10,000.

www.fastweb.com – This site offers a free scholarship search along with other resources for college students.

www.uncf.org- United Negro College Fund- provides resources and scholarships for African-American students.

www.apiasf.org- Asian and Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund- provides resources and scholarships for Asian American students.

www.hsf.net- Hispanic Scholarship Fund provides resources and scholarships for Latino/Hispanic students

www.bie.edu and www.collegefund.org- Bureau of Indian Education and the American Indian College Fund—provides resources and scholarships for Native American students.

www.chafee.csac.ca.gov– California Student Aid Commission- Chafee Grant for Foster Youth

www.csac.ca.gov and www.edfund.org- California Student Aid Commission

Scholarships and Resources for AB-540 Students

www.maldef.org

www.salef.org

www.latinocollegedollars.org

www.ab540.org

CAL GRANTS AT A GLANCE

CAL GRANT A

3.0 high school GPA required

- \$12,630 at University of California
- \$5,742 at California State University
- \$9,084 at qualifying California private colleges
- \$9,084 at qualifying WASC accredited for-profit institution
- \$4,000 at qualifying non-WASC accredited for-profit institutions
- If you attend a California community college, your grant is held in reserve for up to 2 years.

CAL GRANT B

2.0 high school GPA required

- \$1,672 living allowance for the first year, plus tuition and fee award beyond first year in the same amounts as Cal Grant A
- **CAL GRANT C**
- Community College - \$1,094
- **Non-Community College - Tuition, fees and training related cost up to \$2,462 and \$547 for books and supplies.**

CAL GRANT TRANSFER ENTITLEMENT AWARD

2.4 community college GPA required

- Same as Cal Grant A or Cal Grant B
- **Cal Grants are only available for students pursuing a first professional degree. Cal Grant offers are subject to state budget requirements, check out www.csac.ca.gov for current award amounts.

Federal Pell Grant

Up to \$6,095 (2018-2019) amounts can change yearly- Visit www.studentaid.ed.gov for current award amounts

- Your cost of attendance and expected family contribution
- Whether attending full or part-time
- Must not already have a bachelor's degree

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)

From \$100 to \$4,000 a year (funds are limited). Visit

www.studentaid.ed.gov

- Your cost of attendance and expected family contribution
- Priority given to Pell Grant recipients with the lowest expected family contributions

Federal Teach Grants

Up to \$4,000 a year. Visit www.studentaid.ed.gov or contact the financial aid office at the college or university you plan to attend.

- Be enrolled in, or plan to complete, coursework to begin a teaching career.
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25
- Sign agreement to serve as a paid full-time teacher in a high-need field serving low-income students
- Agree to teach at least four academic years within eight years of completing your program of student
- If you fail to complete your obligation, the grant converts to an unsubsidized Stafford loan you repay with interest.

Law Enforcement Personnel Dependents Grant

LEPD Grant Program awards match the amount of a Cal Grant for up to four years. Visit www.csac.ca.gov and choose "Financial Aid Programs"

- Dependent or spouse of a California peace officer, investigator, highway patrol, marshals, sheriffs, police officers, firefighters, or certain other law enforcement employees who died or became 100% disabled in the line of duty. Eligible peace officers are defined in Sections 830.1-830.6 of the Penal Code.
- Requires a Law Enforcement Personnel Dependents Grant Application

Types of Grants- Conditions for Eligibility

Middle Class Scholarship

Award will cover 10-40% of the system tuition.

Visit www.middleclassscholarships.org

- Be an undergraduate student
- Meet other eligibility requirements
- Attend a UC or CSU
- Family income and asset ceiling of \$165,000 adjusted annually with the Consumer Price Index (CPI)
- Participation to four (4) years

California CHAFEE Grant

Up to \$5,000 a year for job training or college in addition to any other state or federal aid you receive. Visit www.chafee.csac.ca.gov or contact your school caseworker or independent Living Coordinator.

- You are or were in foster care between ages 16-18
- Stay in school and maintain good grades
- Be enrolled at least half-time
- Requires a Chafee Grant application (does not require a Social Security)

Child Development Grant*

\$1,000 a year (at a California community college) or \$2,000 a year (at a four-year college); up to \$6,000 total. Visit www.csac.ca.gov: choose "Financial Aid Programs."

- Be pursuing a child development permit and plan to work at a licensed children's center in California.
- Must sign a Service Commitment Agreement to teach or supervise in a California Licensed child care facility.
- Requires a Child Development Grant application.

*Subject to federal funding

California Community Colleges (CCC) BOARD OF GOVERNORS (BOG) FEE WAIVER

Visit www.icanaffordcollege.com

- If you qualify for a Cal Grant or have financial need, you may receive a fee waiver.
- Completing the FAFSA is recommended, regardless of the type of CCC fee waiver, to qualify for federal and more state aid.

**Except for students working toward teacher certification. Indicates California Dream Act Students are eligible.*

California State University (CSU)

Visit calstate.edu

The CSU grant assists California residents with financial need.

- The CSU provides financial assistance in the form of grants, scholarships, fellowships, loans, and part-time employment for students who meet financial aid program eligibility requirements.

CSU financial aid awards are contingent upon continued funding from federal and state government programs. International students who are in the United States on F-1 or F-2 student visas are not eligible to receive federal or state funded financial aid and should not apply.

University of California (UC)

Visit www.universityofcalifornia.edu

- Nearly two-thirds of all undergraduate students receive UC grant and scholarship aid, with an average award of about \$14,000

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UCLA

eAOP

Early Academic
Outreach Program
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