UNDERSTANDING FINANCIAL AID

Starting at California Community College through transferring to UC Davis

FEDERAL AID

Federal Aid is determined

by submitting the Free Application

for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

--Priority Deadline March 2

Pell Grants

Amounts change yearly, but grow with financial need, cost of attendance, and enrollment status. You can only receive the Pell Grant for up to 12 semesters. Awards up to \$6,195 for 2019-2020.

Tip - Save some of your Pell grant if you are transferring to an institution with a higher cost of attendance

<u>Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity</u> <u>Grant (FSEOG)</u>

You can receive between \$100 and \$4,000 a year, depending on your financial need, when you apply, the amount of other aid you get, and the availability of funds at your school. Submit your FAFSA as early as possible to be considered.

Federal Work Study Program

Provides part-time jobs to students to help pay for educational expenses. Check with your school's financial aid office to see if your school participates.

> <u>Submit your FAFSA each academic year to</u> <u>maintain eligibility for Federal Aid</u>

CALIFORNIA STATE PROGRAMS



California Dream Act

Allows undocumented and non-resident students to apply for State aid. Deadline is March 2nd.

California College Promise Grant (Formerly known as Board of Governors (BOG) Fee Waiver)

For eligible California residents, permits enrollment fees to be waived at the community college. Many California Community Colleges offer online applications through CCCApply.

Other State Grants

Chafee Grant for Foster Youth
Law Enforcement Personnel Dependents Grant
California's Middle Class Scholarship
CA National Guard Education Assistance Program

More information can be found at csac.ca.gov/

UC Davis Scholarships

The UC Application for Admission serves as your application for campus-based scholarships at UC Davis. A minimum 3.25 GPA is required for all applicants.

Cal Grant

Assists with tuition and fees and can provide a living allowance depending on your school, income, and GPA. The amounts usually rise with tuition at California's public colleges and universities. There are two different categories of Cal Grants:

Grants: Cal Grant Transfer Entitlement Awards:

For students who plan to transfer directly from a California Community College to a 4-Year University.

Cal Grant Competitive Awards:

For students who are not eligible for the Cal Grant Entitlement awards

Apply by filling out the FAFSA or CA Dream Act and submit your GPA verification to the California Student Aid Commission by March 2.

WHEN SHOULD I USE MY AID?

Community College

California College Promise Grant

Cal Grant

FAFSA Or California Dream Act

UC Davis

Pell Grant

Cal Grant

FAFSA Or California Dream Act

WHAT NEXT?



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Search online for available programs

Discuss options with your financial aid office and your parents

Establish a timeline for application deadlines

Additional Resources:

<u>icanaffordcollege.com</u> <u>CaliforniaColleges.edu</u> <u>FinAid.org</u> <u>Fafsa.ed.gov</u> studentaid.ed.gov csac.ca.gov