

major financial aid programs at a glance

GRANTS
Need-based financial aid that doesn't have to be repaid

program	who can apply	annual awards up to...	application deadline	forms required	eligibility requirements**
Cal Grant A	undergraduates	\$9,708	March 2 †	FAFSA, verified GPA	3.0 high school GPA or 2.4 college GPA, financial need
Cal Grant B	undergraduates	\$1,551 (first year) \$9,708 + \$1,551	March 2 †	FAFSA, verified GPA	2.0 high school GPA, financial need
Cal Grant A and B Transfer Entitlement Awards	California Community College students	\$9,708	March 2	FAFSA, verified GPA	2.4 California Community College GPA, financial need, graduated high school after 7.1.2000
Cal Grant C	technical and career students	\$3,168	March 2	FAFSA, Cal Grant C Supplement Form	financial need
Federal Pell Grant	undergraduates	\$4,731 (2008-09 maximum award)	contact your financial aid office	FAFSA	financial need according to your EFC and COA
Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)	undergraduates	\$4,000	contact your financial aid office	FAFSA	financial need according to your EFC and COA (not all colleges offer FSEOGs)
Federal Academic Competitiveness Grant (ACG)	Pell Grant-eligible 1st & 2nd-year students attending at least half time	up to \$750 first year up to \$1,300 second year	contact your financial aid office	FAFSA	must also receive a Pell Grant; must successfully complete a rigorous high school program; 3.0 cumulative college GPA
National SMART Grant	Pell Grant-eligible 3rd & 4th-year students attending at least half time	up to \$4,000 each year	contact your financial aid office	FAFSA	must also receive a Pell Grant and major in physical, life or computer sciences, technology, math or engineering, or certain foreign languages; also see page 21
University of California Student Aid	UC undergraduate/graduate students	average grant award of \$8,500	contact your financial aid office	FAFSA	financial need
State University Grant	CSU undergraduate/graduate students	full systemwide fees	contact your financial aid office	FAFSA	financial need
LOANS Money you borrow that must be repaid, with interest					
Federal Stafford loan (subsidized and unsubsidized)	undergraduate/graduate students	U - \$3,500-\$5,500 G - \$8,500	contact your financial aid office	FAFSA and master promissory note	subsidized Stafford loans are based on financial need; must be enrolled at least half time. See page 5
Additional unsubsidized federal Stafford loan	undergraduate/graduate students	U - \$2,000-\$7,000 G - \$12,000	contact your financial aid office	FAFSA and master promissory note	must be enrolled at least half time. See page 5
Federal PLUS loan	graduate or professional students and parents of dependent students	total college costs minus any financial aid	contact your financial aid office	FAFSA and PLUS loan application and master promissory note	must be enrolled at least half time. See pages 5 and 31
Federal Perkins loan	undergraduate/graduate students	U - \$5,500 G - \$8,000	contact your financial aid office	FAFSA and master promissory note	exceptional financial need (some schools don't offer these loans). See page 5
Private Loans	students and parents (be sure to take out all you can in federal loans first)	varies	contact your lender or college	loan application and promissory note	ask your lender; some private loans are based on your credit rating

† Community college students have a second deadline of September 2 for Cal Grant A & B Competitive awards
 †† Contact your financial aid office or the California Student Aid Commission

* Applications available February 1 from high schools
 ** Other eligibility requirements may apply

WORK-STUDY
Money for college
that you earn

**Special
Programs**

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Federal Work-Study	undergraduate/ graduate students	contact your financial aid office	contact your financial aid office	FAFSA	financial need; depends on your college's available funds
College Work-Study/ Student Employment Programs	undergraduate/ graduate students	contact your financial aid office	contact your financial aid office	FAFSA	financial need; depends on your college's available funds
Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship	graduating high school seniors	\$1,500	California nominations due by application deadline	application form* www.csac.ca.gov	high schools nominate academically outstanding high school seniors. See page 21
Child Development Grant	undergraduates	\$1,000-\$2,000	application deadline at www.csac.ca.gov	FAFSA and application form †† www.csac.ca.gov	financial need; must be pursuing a child development permit and plan to work at a California licensed children's center. See page 20
Law Enforcement Personnel Dependents Grant	dependent or spouse of California peace officer, firefighter or certain other law enforcement employees totally disabled or killed in the line of duty	\$11,259	applications accepted throughout the year	FAFSA and application form †† www.csac.ca.gov	financial need See page 20
California Chafee Grant	current and former foster youth	\$5,000	go to www. chafee.csac.ca.gov	FAFSA and application form www.csac.ca.gov	financial need; must be enrolled at least half time and maintain good grades. See page 20
California Community College Board of Governors Fee Waiver	California Community College students	waives registration fees	applications accepted throughout the year	FAFSA or fee waiver application www.icanaffordcollege .com	financial need
Federal TEACH Grant	undergraduate/graduate/ post-baccalaureate students pursuing a career in teaching	\$4,000	contact your financial aid office	FAFSA	must agree to teach in a high-need field serving low-income students. See page 21
Educational Opportunity Program	CSU undergraduates	\$2,000	contact your financial aid office	contact your financial aid office	low income, educationally disadvantaged
Extended Opportunity Programs and Services	California Community College students	contact your financial aid or EOPS office	contact your financial aid or EOPS office	contact your financial aid or EOPS office	low income, educationally disadvantaged
Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education	California Community College students	contact your financial aid or EOPS office	contact your financial aid or EOPS office	contact your financial aid or EOPS office	single parents of children under 14, or receiving welfare benefits or EOPS students
Assumption Program of Loans for Education	K-12 teacher candidates, out-of-state teachers	\$19,000 (for four years of service)	June 30	application form www.csac.ca.gov	must agree to teach in low-performing California school. See page 20
Special Fee Waivers	surviving dependents of law enforcement or firefighters	waives registration fees at UC, CSU and CCC	contact your bursar's or registrar's office	contact your bursar's or registrar's office	varies
Institution-Based Scholarships, Grants, Work-Study, Loans	undergraduate/ graduate students	contact your financial aid office	contact your financial aid office	contact your financial aid office	varies