

## Let's get started!

Complete the California Dream Act application at <https://dream.csac.ca.gov/>. This link will allow you to complete a new application and make corrections to an existing application.

Pasadena City College school code = 001261

*Note: If you are considered a dependent student on the Dream Act application, you should have your parents' financial information ready.*

## AB540 students

AB 540, passed in 2001, allows students who meet all the following criteria to pay the same tuition and fees as resident students at California public colleges and universities. Starting on January 1, 2013, the California Dream Act extends Cal Grant A & B Entitlements awards, Cal Grant C awards, institutional grants, and community college fee waivers to students who meet these same criteria. To receive Dream Act aid, AB 540, and AB 131, you must:

- Have attended a California high school for a minimum of three years.
- Graduate from a California high school, pass the California High School Proficiency Exam (CHSPE) or get a General Equivalency Diploma (GED, also called the General Educational Development test) or other state-authorized high school equivalency exam such as HiSET or TASC.
- Enroll at a California Community College.
- If required, complete an affidavit stating you have filed (or will file when you are eligible to do so) for proper immigration status.
- To get a Cal Grant, you must also meet all other Cal Grant eligibility. Please visit <http://www.calgrants.org> for more information.

Please see the college Admissions Office to determine if you are AB 540 eligible.

## Upcoming Events

Financial Aid workshops are available to help you complete the application.

Please contact the Financial Aid Office for dates and times

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**Make your college dreams come true!**



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## Financial Aid now available for AB540 students



## California DREAM Act

The California Dream Act of 2011 is the result of two bills, Assembly Bill 130 (AB 130) and Assembly Bill 131 (AB 131). Together these bills allow students who meet certain provisions of the AB 540 law to apply for and receive private scholarships funneled through public universities (AB 130), state-administered financial aid, university grants, and community college fee waivers (AB 131).



# Available Types of Aid

Several types of state and institutional aid are available to AB 540 students as a result of the California Dream Act. Check out the chart below for additional information. You can also visit the appropriate link provided to you on the bottom of this page.

Grant / Scholarship	When to apply	Who do I contact, or where do I apply?	What is it?	Type of application required
Privately Funded Institutional Scholarships	Annually by deadlines Please check with your college	Scholarship or Financial Aid Offices	Helps pay for education-related expenses	Institutional application(s)
Board of Governors Fee Waiver	Annually. Please check with your college	Financial Aid Office	Waives community college enrollment fees for eligible students	California Dream Application* or BOG Fee Waiver Form
Assistance from EOPS, CARE, or CalWORKs	Please check with EOPS Office for specific deadlines	EOPS/CARE or CalWORKs Offices	Varies; may include services such as tutoring, book service or other types of financial aid for those who meet specific eligibility requirements	Institutional application(s)
Community College Transfer Entitlement Cal Grant A or Cal Grant B	January 1 - March 2 of each year for the subsequent fall semester	Financial Aid Office or California Student Aid Commission	Grant award covering education-related expenses for eligible students transferring to a baccalaureate degree granting institution	California Dream Application* and GPA Verification Form**
Cal Grant B - Entitlement	January 1 - March 2 of each year for the subsequent fall semester	Financial Aid Office or California Student Aid Commission	Grant award covering education-related expenses for eligible recent high school graduates	California Dream Application* and GPA Verification Form**
Cal Grant C	January 1 - March 2 for the subsequent fall semester (number of awards are limited)	Financial Aid Office or California Student Aid Commission	Grant award covering education-related expenses for eligible students in occupational or career technical programs	California Dream Application* and Cal Grant C Supplemental Application and GPA Verification Form**
Chafee Grant	Apply as soon as possible each year (applications open in January; number of awards are limited)	Financial Aid Office or California Student Aid Commission	Grant award covering education-related expenses for eligible foster youth	California Dream Application* and Chafee Grant Application

\* To apply for any or all of the financial aid programs requiring the California Dream Application, you only need to complete and submit ONE application.

\*\* Pasadena City College (PCC) submits GPA Verification electronically for those students with at least 16 completed units of applicable college level courses.

\*\* Refer to the GPA Verification Form available on the California Dream Act website, <http://dream.csac.ca.gov>, to help determine who needs to certify your GPA. If you have further questions, check with your Financial Aid Office.