



FINANCIAL AID QUICK REFERENCE

FAFSA — Free Application for Federal Student Aid

You must complete a FAFSA every year to receive financial aid. Be sure to list California State University, East Bay to receive your information. The FAFSA is available in English and Spanish at studentaid.gov.

AB 540 students file the Dream Application each year at dream.csac.ca.gov.

VISIT US ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION

Cost and Financial Aid: csueastbay.edu/financialaid

Net Price Calculator: csueastbay.edu/affordable

Student Account Information: my.csueastbay.edu

CONTACT US IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED MORE INFORMATION

Cal State East Bay Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships

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IMPORTANT DATES

- October 1:** First day to file a FAFSA
- March 2:** The Pioneer Scholarships priority application deadline
- March 2:** Priority deadline to file FAFSA to be eligible for maximum aid
- May 15:** Cal State East Bay can accept documents until this date

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FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS

A smart investment in your future



CAL STATE
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SUPPORTING STUDENT SUCCESS AT CAL STATE EAST BAY



AFFORDABLE HIGHER EDUCATION

Financial aid at Cal State East Bay is available to all eligible students. We provide more than \$130 million in aid annually. 75 percent of our students receive some type of financial aid.

TYPES OF AID

Available financial aid includes grants, loans, scholarships, Federal Work Study, and fellowships.

GRANTS

Grant funding is awarded to students for tuition fees and other educational expenses. Grants are financial aid that do not have to be repaid. Undergraduates may be eligible for several of the following grants, depending on financial need. Grant amounts vary annually.

- **Federal Pell Grant**
- **Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant**
- **State University Grant**
- **Educational Opportunity Program Grant**

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CAL GRANTS

(awarded by the California Student Aid Commission)

Students who graduate from California high schools, demonstrate financial need and who meet all requirements are guaranteed a Cal Grant.

- **Cal Grant "A" covers the tuition fee**
- **Cal Grant "B" covers the tuition fee plus a living allowance**

Cal Grant aid can be renewed each year that you are enrolled at the university, for up to four years, provided you reapply by completing the FAFSA annually and continue to meet eligibility requirements.

- Eligible transfer students from a California community college who have not received a Cal Grant may apply for a California Community College Transfer Entitlement Cal Grant.
- AB 540 nonresident students may also be eligible for Cal Grants and State Grants. Eligible AB 540 students may apply for state aid by completing the Dream Application at csac.ca.gov/dream_act.asp.

🔗 csac.ca.gov

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🔗 csueastbay.edu/financialaid/scholarships

LOANS

You may borrow funds from the federal government or other sources in addition to Federal and State aid to pay for educational expenses. These loans must be repaid, including any interest applied to the principal. Cal State East Bay does not offer loans directly, but the federal

government sponsors programs that provide affordable loans to students and parents.

- **Dream Loan** — for a limited number of AB 540 students with exceptional financial need
- **Federal Direct Subsidized Loans** — for undergraduate students who show financial need
- **Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loans** — Unsubsidized loans are not based on financial need, but cost of attendance and other aid received. Unsubsidized loans begin accruing interest from the time of disbursement even while you are in school.
- **Federal Direct PLUS Loans** — a loan for which parents, guardians and graduate students may apply, to help pay for educational expenses

PIONEER SCHOLARSHIPS

The priority application deadline is March 2. Cal State East Bay offers numerous need and merit-based scholarships for part-time and full-time students. Complete your application to be considered for more than 100 institutional Scholarships. Scholarships are dollars that you do not repay and can be used for school-related expenses.

To apply for Pioneer Scholarships, visit csueastbay.edu/scholarships and click on the Pioneer Scholarship logo. Sign in with your student NetID to begin your application. After completing the General Application, scholarships that are currently "open" will be recommended if you meet the basic criteria (e.g., gpa OR class level OR major). Be sure to carefully read the scholarship eligibility requirements and questions to determine whether you are qualified BEFORE applying. If a scholarship is not yet available, check with the campus office administering the scholarship to ask when the scholarship application will open.

EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Periodically, the Financial Aid Office is asked by an outside agency to advertise a scholarship offered to undergraduate

students. If the scholarship is legitimate and a good fit for our students, it will be posted on the 'External Opportunities' section of our scholarship system, AcademicWorks.

Please be sure to review all information posted for an outside scholarship since scholarship requirements and application processes may vary. If you have questions about the application for an outside scholarship, please contact the agency listed on that scholarship's web page.

FEDERAL WORK STUDY

Eligible students may earn income to meet educational expenses through campus or approved off-campus jobs. These positions are reserved for students with a **Federal Work Study award**, and are included as part of a financial aid offer. You may indicate your interest in Federal Work Study by answering "yes" to the Federal Work Study question on the FAFSA.

GRADUATE STUDENT AID

Students in graduate, credential and other post baccalaureate programs are also eligible to receive financial aid.

- **Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loans**
- **Federal Direct Graduate PLUS Loan**
- **TEACH Grant (for prospective K-12 teachers)**
- **Graduate Business Grant**
- **Graduate Equity Fellowships**
- **CSU ED Doctoral Grant**

APPLYING FOR FINANCIAL AID

All students can apply for financial aid at Cal State East Bay. We will respond to your FAFSA or Dream Application after you apply for admission. Continuing students must reapply annually for financial aid online by completing a new FAFSA or Dream Application. Awards may change each year based on your updated information.

TO APPLY:

- File a **Free Application for Federal Student Aid** at fafsa.gov by March 2 for priority consideration and list California State University, East Bay as the recipient of your information — Title IV Code: 001138. AB 540 students file the Dream Application each year at dream.csac.ca.gov.
- After you and your parents file a tax return, access your FAFSA online and use the **Data Retrieval Tool** to download your tax return information from the IRS and update your application.
- Federal Student Aid will acknowledge your FAFSA by emailing you an electronic Student Aid Report. Review your SAR and return to the online FAFSA to make any needed corrections.
- Ask your high school or community college to submit your GPA to the **California Student Aid Commission**. Most schools process electronic GPA submissions.
- Cal State East Bay will acknowledge receipt of your information and your estimated financial aid offer will be available on your **MyCSUEB** portal. You can check the status of your application online at my.csueastbay.edu using the NetID provided in your letter of admission from the university.

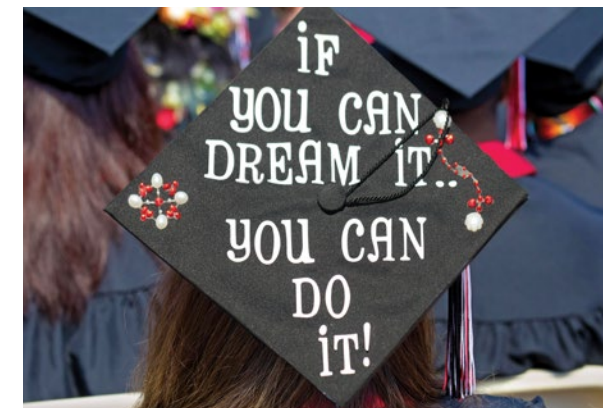
APPLICATION STEPS

- ✓ Collect your family's financial statements and documents, including tax forms
- ✓ Know your social security number or federal identification number
- ✓ Complete the FAFSA or CADAA online by the priority deadline of **March 2** and apply for a Federal Student Aid personal ID at studentaid.gov



USEFUL TOOLS

- ✓ Use the online financial aid calculator at calstate.edu/apply
- ✓ Visit Cal State East Bay's **Pioneer Scholarships** page for a list of all available scholarships and applications



You'll find the most current information about loans, grants, Federal Work Study jobs and scholarships on our website: csueastbay.edu/financialaid