Financial Aid and the California Dream Act

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Priority Deadline is March 2nd!
Apply Online: dream.csac.ca.gov
About the Office of Financial Aid

Services:
- Financial Aid
- Scholarships
- Financial Literacy

Lead Team and UndocuAlly Team Members
- Carolyn Guel, Associate Director
- Neelam Keshwani, Technical Lead
- Anthony Bettencourt, Senior Counselor
- Ryan Poyet, Operations Support Coordinator
- Thu Thuong, Advisor
- Ngoc Nguyen, Operations Support Coordinator

Student Services Center (SSC)
9th Street & San Fernando
(on 1st floor of North Parking Garage)
Where your financial aid status should be now:

- **California Dream Act Application**
  - Priority Deadline March 2nd
  - If already submitted will receive message by end of February.

- **Document Priority Deadline**
  - Documents should be submitted to Financial Aid by April 29, 2022 (priority deadline)

- **Award**
  - First time students - early April
  - Continuing student - early July
Dream App - Things to look out for

1. Make sure name on Dream App and SJSU records match.

2. Parents Income
   a. Parents required to file taxes per IRS income ceiling even if they don’t have a SS#
   b. Complete Dream App with estimates if taxes have not been filed

3. If student is independent (per Dream Act) then student may need to submit Non-Tax filer letter

4. Parent signature required for dependent students (per Dream Act)

5. DACA is NOT required to receive Dream Act aid
Types of Awards - Grants

- **State University Grant**
  - EFC less than $5000
  - Submitted application and documents by deadline

- **Cal Grant A, B and Subsistence**
  - Determined by California Student Aid Commission based on GPA and Income
  - If awarded both, we will give Cal Grant B
  - Cannot receive Cal Grant A, B or State University combined

- **EOP Grant**
  - Determined by admittance into EOP program
  - EFC less than 5000
  - SEOP - CA Dream Act

- **Middle Class Scholarship**
  - Determined by California Student Aid Commission in September
  - Cannot receive in combination with State University or Cal Grants
Types of Awards - Loans and Other Programs

- **California Dream Loan**
  - Generally awarded by request
  - Must be repaid

- **CA Dream Act Service Incentive Grant**
  - Cal Grant B eligible students
  - Receive up to $1,500 per term for 150 hours per term of community service
  - [https://www.csac.ca.gov/dsig](https://www.csac.ca.gov/dsig)
Scholarships

Spartan Scholarship Application - Open now until mid April

- [https://sjsu.academicworks.com/users/sign_in](https://sjsu.academicworks.com/users/sign_in)
- Scholarships are open to continuing and new students
- Many scholarships do not require a SSN or AB 540
- Note: some scholarships may have earlier deadlines and/or application requirements.

List of scholarships via UndocuSpartan Resource Center

- [https://sjsu.edu/undocuspartan/paying-for-college/fin-aid-resources.php](https://sjsu.edu/undocuspartan/paying-for-college/fin-aid-resources.php)
Contact Information

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- USRC Financial Aid Advising Hours

UndocuSpartan Student Resource Center

- **Location**: Clark Hall 100G and 100F (1st floor, in front of EOP)
- **Phone**: (408) 924-2762
- **Email**: undocuspartan@sjsu.edu
- **Hours**: Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Friday: 9:00 am-4:00 pm
Resources and Events

Need help with filling out the California Dream Act Application?

Financial aid advisors are available to assist SJSU students with completing their financial aid application. Check out our resources and events.

Attend a workshop bit.ly/USRCEvents

Spartan Scholarship Application

Apply online for several SJSU scholarship opportunities for the 2022-23 academic year!

* Scholarships have various deadline dates

SJSU.EDU/FASO/TYPES-OF-AID/SCHOLARSHIPS

Workshops

February 16
March 22
April 7
10am-11am
3pm-4pm
11am-12pm

All workshops held virtually
RSVP on scholarship website

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QUESTIONS?