

**Fresno City College Financial Aid Office**

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APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID NOW!

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School Code: 001307

FAFSAwww.fafsa.gov**Financial Aid computer Lab**

LI-123 in the Library building

Phone: (559) 265-5743

Mon – Fri, 8am to 5pm

Federal Student Aid Information Center (800) 433-3243**Cal Grant and Chafee Grant**

Cal Grant

Chafee Grant

(888) 224-7268

<https://mygrantinfo.csac.ca.gov><https://chafee.csac.ca.gov>**Dream Act (888) 224-7268**<https://dream.csac.ca.gov/>**IMPORTANT CHANGES AS OF THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR**

All changes are effective July 1, 2012 and apply to all students unless otherwise indicated.**Enrollment Fee Increase**

Starting with enrollment for the Summer 2012 semester, the enrollment fee will increase to \$46 per unit.

Increase in the Minimum Need Required for a BOG C Fee Waiver based on the FAFSA

The amount of "need" to receive a BOG C Fee Waiver will change from \$1 to \$1,104. Need is determined by subtracting the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) from the full year Cost of Attendance (COA) or Student Budget. The formula is COA minus EFC equals Need which must be \$1,104 or greater.

Decrease in the Maximum Lifetime Eligibility for a Pell Grant The maximum lifetime eligibility to receive a Pell Grant (without earning a Bachelor's Degree) is changing from 9 full years to 6 full years. It is very likely that some students will have exceeded the 6 year limit and will no longer be eligible for a Pell Grant after July 1. To view your lifetime Pell history, go to <http://www.nslds.ed.gov>.**Elimination of the Ability to Benefit (ATB) Provisions**

Students enrolling for the first time after July 1, 2012 must have a High School Diploma, GED or state equivalent to be eligible for any federal financial aid. Students will no longer have the option to pass an ATB test or to successfully complete 6 degree applicable units to gain eligibility for federal financial aid.

Increase in the Interest Rates for Direct Loans

The interest rates for Direct Loans will increase from 3.76% to 4.45% for loans disbursed on or after July 1, 2016.

Elimination of the Interest Subsidy for Direct Loans during the Grace Period

The federal government will no longer subsidize the student loan interest for students during their six month grace period. The grace period is the time between when the student graduates or drops below half-time status and the time when the student must start repaying the loan. Students are encouraged to check with their Loan Servicer for any available options to assist with their loan repayment.

IRS Tax Transcript RequiredStudents that do not use the IRS Data Retrieval when completing their FAFSA online and who must verify their tax and income information must provide an IRS Tax Transcript to our office. We can no longer accept copies of federal tax returns (1040EZ, 1040A, 1040). To request an IRS Tax Transcript, students can call 1-800-908-9946 or order it online at <http://www.irs.gov> and under the "Tools" section select "Order a Return or Account Transcript".**Increase in GPA requirement for Entitlement Cal Grant Awards**

The California Governor has proposed to increase the GPA required to receive a Cal Grant award from 2.00 to 2.75 for Entitlement and Transfer Cal Grants. Note: This proposal must still be adopted by the State legislature and signed by the Governor to become effective.

Course Repetition and Receiving Federal Aid (effective January 1, 2012)

Students can only receive financial aid for up to 1 repeat of any course with a passing grade (this includes grades with a "D"). The Repeat Coursework Policy is available on the main financial aid webpage:

www.fresnocitycollege.edu/Modules/ShowDocument.aspx?documentid=3708

WHAT'S NEW IN FINANCIAL AID

Net Price Calculator

The Net Price Calculator is now available to provide you with an estimate of how much it costs to attend Fresno City College and to give you an estimate of how much financial aid you may qualify for. To get started, just click on the Net Price Calculator under "STUDENT FEES" on the Fresno City College webpage.

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Policy

The Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) policy has changed effective with the 2011-2012 school year. The SAP standards have been strengthened and the appeal process and the reinstatement process are now enforced more rigorously. Students who appealed and were approved must meet the Appeal Standards and any conditions set by the Appeal Committee or they will be disqualified again. The SAP Policy is available on the main financial aid webpage:

<http://www.fresnocitycollege.edu/index.aspx?page=2074>

California Dream Act of 2011

The California Dream Act of 2011, authored by Assembly Member Gil Cedillo (Los Angeles), became law through the passage of two Assembly Bills, AB 130 and AB 131.

AB 130 allows students who meet AB 540 criteria (California Education Code 68130.5(a)) to apply for and receive non-state funded scholarships for public colleges and universities.

AB 131 allows students who meet AB 540 criteria to apply for and receive state-funded financial aid such as institutional grants, community college fee waivers, Cal Grant and Chafee Grant. Eligibility for the Board of Governor's Fee Waiver (BOGFW) at California Community Colleges is not effective until January 2013.

AB540 students may complete the DREAM Application at: www.caldreamact.org

VIEW YOUR CURRENT FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION AND STATUS ON WEBADVISOR

Do you want to know what documents you need to submit for financial aid?

Do you want to see what type of financial aid you have been awarded?

Do you want to sign up for Direct Deposit of your financial aid funds?

You can view your current financial aid status on WebAdvisor.

Log on at www.webadvisor5.scccd.edu into your student account. Under the subheading "Financial Aid" you can access your financial aid status by year or term, view your award letter, sign-up for direct deposit, and view your requested documents.