APPLYING FOR AID

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

To apply for financial aid, you must complete a FAFSA. Applications are available online at [http://www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov) in January and must be completed by the March 2 priority filing deadline in order to receive optimum consideration for limited financial aid resources. Before attempting to complete the FAFSA, you will need to create an FSA ID and password. The FSA ID and password replaces the PIN process used previously to authenticate identity. The FSA ID and password will allow you to sign your application electronically, and if you are a continuing applicant, access your FAFSA Renewal on the web. Parents of dependent students should also create an FSA ID and password so that they too can sign the FAFSA online. We recommend that you file your FAFSA electronically and use the IRS data retrieval process. Students who prefer to complete a FAFSA can print out the form in a PDF form at: [www.fafsa.gov/options.htm](http://www.fafsa.gov/options.htm)

FAFSA ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

In order to receive financial aid, you must be a citizen or eligible non-citizen, have a valid social security number, be registered with the Selective Service (if required) be enrolled at least half-time in an eligible program, not be in default nor owe an overpayment of any federal funds, have earned a high school diploma or the recognized equivalent, and make satisfactory academic progress.

DREAM APPLICANTS

The passage of the California Dream Act (AB130 and AB131) allows students (including those who are undocumented) attending UCLA, who are not citizens or permanent residents and who are exempt from paying nonresident fees under AB540 to be eligible to receive scholarships and university funds. In order to be eligible for financial aid or scholarships, students must complete the 16-17 California Dream Application. The application must be submitted by March 2nd in order to qualify for grants. This application should be completed only by students who are ineligible to complete a FAFSA. Students are also encouraged to seek out private scholarships since funding is limited.

CALIFORNIA GRANT (CAL Grant) APPLICATION

To apply for a Cal Grant, FAFSA and Dream, applicants must file their financial aid applications by March 2nd. If you are a first time applicant, you must also provide the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) with a completed GPA Verification Form by March 2nd. UCLA will electronically submit a GPA verification for continuing students who have completed 36 units or more. Students must have their previous school verify their GPA if they have fewer than 36 units at the end of fall quarter. To obtain a GPA Verification Form, contact the following:

- High school guidance counselor, or
- California Student Aid Commission: [www.csac.ca.gov](http://www.csac.ca.gov)

APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Entering students need to apply for need-based scholarships using the University of California Application for Undergraduate Admission and Scholarships. The admission and scholarship deadline for entering students is November 30. In addition, your financial aid application must be filed by March 2nd to establish financial need for the academic year. Continuing UCLA students, who have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater, may apply for need-based scholarships through the Undergraduate Scholarship Application for Continuing Students available at [www.financialaid.ucla.edu](http://www.financialaid.ucla.edu). To maximize your eligibility, it is strongly encourage to submit your application by the submission deadline of March 2nd. All students must also file a FAFSA or California Dream Application by March 2nd to establish financial need.
STUDENT ATHLETES

Eligible student athletes who also completed the FAFSA or Dream Application will receive their academic year FANs by mid-August once UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships receives information from the Athletic Department regarding athletic scholarships. Financial aid applicants who receive athletic scholarships from the UCLA Athletic Department will be awarded financial aid to cover their cost of attendance in accordance with NCAA Regulations. All Pell Grant eligible student athletes should contact the UCLA Athletic Department (located in the J.D. Morgan Center) about the NCAA Special Assistance Fund and/or any questions concerning their athletic scholarship.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

International students are ineligible for federal aid. However, undergraduate international students in their second and subsequent years at UCLA can apply for limited university grant funding by filing an International Student Financial Aid Application with the Financial Aid and Scholarships office. The application will be available at, www.financialaid.ucla.edu in January through March 2nd for the upcoming academic year. In addition, if the student possesses an F-1 Visa and has a co-signer who is a US Citizen or permanent resident, they may qualify for private student loan assistance to cover their cost of attendance. Please contact UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships for more information.

SUMMER AT UCLA

SUMMER AID

Summer financial aid is available to all admitted UCLA students enrolled at least half time in an approved program. In addition to completing the FAFSA or Dream Application by March 2nd, you will also need to complete a supplemental Summer Application. FAFSA filers applying on time will be considered for federal, state and university grants, loans and work-study. On-time Dream Application filers will be considered for university grant funds. Limited summer aid is available for late applicants. Financial aid is only available for one summer program per year.

THE SUMMER SESSION AID APPLICATION

UCLA Summer Session applications are available online at, www.financialaid.ucla.edu starting April 1st and must be submitted by April 30th for priority consideration. Aid is also available to UCLA students attending a summer session at another University of California campus, Summer Travel, Summer Institute, and EAP programs. Application timelines and availability of funds for those programs vary. Please check our web site (www.financialaid.ucla.edu) in February/March for additional summer aid information and applications.
Submitting the FAFSA/Dream Act Application

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

Students who complete their FAFSA application on the web will receive a confirmation number at the time they submit their application. The confirmation page can be printed out or the applicant can have this page sent to their e-mail address as verification of having completed the application. The federal processor will also send an e-mail verifying that the application was received and that it will be forwarded to the school(s) listed on the application. The email will also provide instructions on how the application data can be accessed in order to verify information or to make changes. Dream applicants will be presented with a statement verifying that their application was submitted to CSAC for processing.

It is important that you file your FAFSA or Dream Application before the March 2nd priority filing deadline. Estimated tax information should be provided, if your tax returns are not available by March 2nd. Application information can be corrected once tax returns have been filed. For FAFSA filers, the IRS Data Retrieval process will allow you to update your 16-17 FAFSA with tax information submitted to the IRS. Consult the FAFSA website (www.fafsa.gov) for additional information. When FAFSA data is submitted to the federal processor, student information will be verified by a series of federally mandated data matches (Social Security Number, date of birth and name information, Selective Service status, Department of Homeland Security status, citizenship status and default information) before being forwarded to UCLA electronically. It takes 3-5 business days for UCLA to receive electronic FAFSA information from the federal processor. If a student does not pass some of the data matches, UCLA will follow up via email for additional documentation. Dream Application processor will not verify any of these items. It takes approximately 2 weeks for UCLA to receive the Dream Application information from the processor (CSAC).

THE VERIFICATION PROCESS

Although exempt from Federal Verification selection, every year UCLA verifies information provided by a portion of the student population receiving financial aid. If you are selected for UCLA’s verification process, you will be sent a request via e-mail to complete and submit the UCLA Verification Form. Please be prepared to submit additional documentation with the verification form, such as a federal tax return for example.

HOUSING STATUS VERIFICATION

UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships may need to confirm that the housing status you reported on your application is correct. Since the request for this information can come at any time during the year, please make sure that you keep your on-campus housing contracts, apartment rental agreements or leases, and cancelled checks made payable to the renting agent. Adjustments to your Cost of Attendance, reduction of your awards, and/or billing can result from an improperly reported housing status.

COMPLETING YOUR FILE

Before you can be awarded financial aid, you must have a complete file, which includes application data and any additional information requested by UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships. You can check the status of your file on MyUCLA. Once your file is complete, it will be reviewed by a counselor and financial aid will be offered to you. A Financial Aid Notification (FAN) will be made available specifying the award type and amount, for which you are eligible. An email will be sent to you when your FAN is available.
Determining Financial Need

GENERAL PROCESS
The process of determining your eligibility for financial aid, commonly referred to as need analysis, has been legislated by the U.S. Congress using the information supplied in the FAFSA. The formula used to determine eligibility for Dream Application filers is the same as the one used by the FAFSA. If the need analysis shows that the cost of education exceeds the amount you and your family can contribute, you will qualify for financial aid based on need. Non-need based loans are also available to FAFSA filers even if your family contribution exceeds your cost of education.

COST OF EDUCATION
A standardized set of budgets is used as the basis for determining the cost of attendance at UCLA. The budgets vary based on your living arrangements while in school, from living with parents or relatives, to living on-campus, to living off-campus (away from family). For an undergraduate, approximate costs of attending UCLA for a nine-month academic year are: $26,000 for students living with family, $31,000 for living off-campus and $35,000 for living on-campus. An additional $24,000 (approximate) will be charged to out-of-state students for non-resident supplemental tuition. UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships publishes Cost of Education information for graduate students at: [http://financialaid.ucla.edu/LeftNavProspective-Student/Cost-of-Attendance](http://financialaid.ucla.edu/LeftNavProspective-Student/Cost-of-Attendance). Graduate and Professional School estimated budgets may vary based on specific graduate programs. Graduate and professional students should contact the Graduate Division for additional information.

EXPECTED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION
The EFC is the amount that you and your parent(s) are expected to contribute towards your education. The need analysis formula utilizes your parent(s) income, assets, savings, taxes and other mandatory living expenses to determine the parent(s) contribution. In addition, your parent(s) age(s), number of dependents in the household, and the dependents enrolled in college are considered. Student contribution is derived by analyzing your income and asset information. The EFC figure is not an actual amount that you [or your parent(s)] have to pay, but it is an approximation of how much your family should reasonably be able to contribute towards your educational expenses during the academic year. If at the time of completing the FAFSA you were required to provide only your and your spouse’s income and asset information, the EFC will be calculated using these resources.
The Financial Partnership

Paying for the cost of a UC education requires a partnership among parent(s), students, and the University; each partner has responsibilities in meeting that cost. It is essential that parent(s) fulfill their part of the partnership; otherwise, students will have to carry a heavier financial burden. Parent(s) usually combine current income, savings, and borrowing from the Direct Parent PLUS Loan Program (FAFSA filers) or from other sources to meet their share of the expected parent contribution. Students are expected to meet part of their cost through a combination of earnings and borrowing. This “loan/work expectation” is a variable one, and takes into account students’ budget, taking advantage of scholarship programs, saving for college expenses before enrolling and living at home during the summer to maximize savings. UCLA administers a wide variety of student support programs as outlined in the next portion of this publication. A student’s workload and amount of educational debt is reviewed as well, to help ensure that neither impedes steady progress towards degree completion or the ability to meet loan repayment obligations.

Please note that federal education tax credits may benefit you or your parent(s). Tax credits are tied to the tuition and fees paid for college attendance. Please review the American Opportunity Tax Credit information available at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). If you or your parents are interested in learning whether these tax credits apply to your financial situation, you should consult with a tax advisor.

Special Circumstances

If your or your parent(s) financial situation changes after you have filed your financial aid application or at any time during the academic year, you should submit a letter explaining your special circumstances along with supporting documentation to UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships. Changes in your financial situation include, but are not limited to, loss of employment, disability, illness, separation, divorce, or death of a parent or a spouse. To appeal, complete the Petition to Use Projected Year Income (available at [www.financialaid.ucla.edu](http://www.financialaid.ucla.edu)) and submit it to our office. Your appeal will not be considered without supporting documentation.

Students who have been classified as dependent according to the criteria established by the Federal Government may petition for reclassification to independent status based upon documented extenuating circumstances. To appeal for independent student status, complete a Petition for Independent Status (available at [www.financialaid.ucla.edu](http://www.financialaid.ucla.edu)) and submit it to our office.

Dependent FAFSA filers whose parent(s) are unwilling to provide parental information on the application may be eligible for Unsubsidized Direct Loan assistance only. The amount of the Unsubsidized Loan will vary depending upon a student’s academic grade level. Please contact the Financial Aid and Scholarships office for additional information.

Students whose marital status changes during the academic year should provide our office with a copy of their marriage certificate so that we can update their application information. For dependent students, changes in their marital status will change their dependency status and eligibility for aid. Additional documentation (ex: student and spouse’s tax returns forms) may be requested.

If you (or your parent) were registered in a Domestic Partnership at the time you completed your application, you may be eligible for a recalculation of your eligibility for university funds based on your and your domestic partner’s (or parent’s partner) resources instead of the income/asset information reported on the application. Please review the Domestic Partner Form available on our web site (www.financialaid.ucla.edu) and submit it to our office, if applicable.
Financial Aid Programs

BLUE AND GOLD OPPORTUNITY PLAN
If you are an undergraduate student attending the University of California, the Blue and Gold Opportunity Plan will cover your system-wide fees. The plan will combine all sources of scholarship and grant awards you receive (federal, state, university and private) to count towards covering your fees. Blue and Gold students with sufficient financial need can qualify for additional grant aid to help reduce their cost of attendance. To be eligible for the Blue and Gold Opportunity Plan, you must:

- Be a California Resident.
- Apply for a Cal Grant (see page 4 of the Handbook)
- Submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or Dream application by the March 2nd deadline and provide any additional information that may be requested by UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships.
- Demonstrate total income below $80,000* on 16-17 FAFSA with financial need, as determined for federal need-based aid program
- Be in your first four years at UCLA if admitted as a freshman, three years if admitted as a sophomore, two years if admitted as a junior, or one year if admitted as a senior.
- Meet other basic campus requirements for UC grant aid (ex: be enrolled at least half-time, meet Satisfactory Academic Progress standards, not be in default on student loans, etc.)

Once your financial need and eligibility for Blue and Gold Opportunity Program is determined, based on the need analysis, your resulting financial aid eligibility can be covered by different types of awards listed on the following pages.

*Total income threshold for 16-17 is subject to change

GRANTS

Grants (Federal Pell Grant, Cal Grant, and University Grants) require enrollment in 12 units in order to maintain maximum eligibility. Enrollment below 12 units on the census date (at the end of third week of classes) will result in reduction of and billing for these awards.

Federal Pell Grant

Federal Pell Grants are based on exceptional need and awarded to qualified undergraduate FAFSA applicants who have not earned a Bachelor’s degree. Students who file the FAFSA are automatically considered for Pell Grants. For 15-16, full time awards start at $581 with a maximum award of $5,775. For students enrolled less than full time, Pell Grants are reduced. Pell Grant eligibility is limited to the equivalent of 18 quarters.

Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants (FSEOG)

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (FSEOG) are federally funded awards awarded to undergraduate students who completed their FAFSA before the March 2nd priority filing deadline and who are citizens or permanent residents. Awards are based on financial need, and range from $100 to $4,000. Preference is given to Pell Grant and Cal Grant recipients.

Teach Grants

Teach Grants are non-need-based federal grants that provide up to $4,000 per year to students who complete the FAFSA and are enrolled full time. Reduced eligibility is calculated for less than full-time enrollment in an eligible program. Students must agree to teach in a high need field at a low-income elementary or secondary school as a highly qualified teacher. A student must be an undergraduate senior enrolled in UCLA California Teach Program or a graduate student enrolled in UCLA’s Teacher Education Program and working toward a credential in Science, Math or Special Education in order to qualify for a Teach Grant. 3.25 GPA is required. For additional information about Teach Grants, please contact UCLA’s California Teach Program or the Graduate School of Education.

California Middle Class Scholarship

Starting in the 2015-16 academic year, the Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) program would apply to undergraduate students who are California residents or AB540 eligible and whose family incomes do not exceed $150,000. In order to apply, students must complete a FAFSA or Dream Application. Eligibility for MCS is determined after federal, state and university grant funds are awarded. These scholarships are not need-based so even students who do not demonstrate financial need and receive no other grant assistance may qualify. Read more from the California Student Aid Commission at: [www.csac.ca.gov](http://www.csac.ca.gov).
California Grant Programs

California Grant Programs are state-funded educational opportunity programs available to qualified FAFSA and Dream Application filers that assist students through a variety of awards.

Cal Grant A

Cal Grant A provides grant funds to help pay tuition/fees for California residents at qualifying institutions offering undergraduate academic programs. Awards are based on need and grade point average. If you qualify for a Cal Grant A and you choose to attend a California Community College first, you can reserve your award for up to two years until you transfer to a tuition/fee charging college.

Cal Grant B

Cal Grant B provides awards for students from low-income families. The awards are to be used to help pay your tuition, fees and access costs. The Cal Grant B award during the first year is for access costs only ($1,648), including expenses for transportation, supplies and books. Beginning with the second year of the Cal Grant B benefits the award also covers tuition and fees. Note: Cal Grant A and B Entitlement awards are for High School graduates under the age of 28 by December 31 of the award year with a minimum GPA of 3.0 for A and 2.0 for B.

Cal Grant A and B Competitive

Cal Grant A and B Competitive awards are similar to the entitlement awards, except they are not guaranteed. Each year only a limited number of new awards are available to those students who did not receive an entitlement award. The awards are for students with a minimum GPA of 3.0 that are from low income and disadvantaged families. Cal Grant A and B recipients who plan to enroll in a teaching credential program may have their funding extended an additional year for a teaching credential program. Recipients should apply as early as possible after receiving their bachelor’s degree by completing the Request for Teaching Credential Program (G-44 form) available at www.csac.ca.gov.

Please be advised that any Cal Grant award offer is tentative and subject to final approval of the State Budget Act. Continuing students who are Cal Grant recipients must meet income and asset criteria and have sufficient unmet need in order to retain Cal Grant eligibility.

State University Grants (SUG) & UCLA Grants

State University Grants (SUG) & UCLA Grants are awarded to eligible undergraduate students who completed their FAFSA or Dream Application before the March 2nd priority filing deadline. Awards are based on financial need.

University Grant

University grants are awarded to eligible entering and continuing students who completed their FAFSA or Dream Application before the March 2nd priority-filing deadline. Awards are based on financial need.

USHIP Grant

USHIP Grant is awarded to qualified applicants who filed the Financial Aid Application by March 2nd in order to cover USHIP (Health Insurance Fees). The amount of the USHIP Grant is $2,229. Students who elect to waive the USHIP fees will not be eligible for this grant.
Loans

Direct Loan Program (DL)

The Direct Loan Program consists of low-interest subsidized and unsubsidized loans funded by the federal government. Loans are available to undergraduate, graduate, and professional students who are FAFSA filers, U.S. citizens or permanent residents and to parents of undergraduate students.

Direct Subsidized Loans

Direct Subsidized Loans are long-term, low-interest loans that are funded by the U.S. Department of Education. Subsidized loans are only available to undergraduate students with financial need. The annual Direct Subsidized Loan amount is based on the student’s grade level and financial need. Subsidized loan interest rates are fixed at 4.66% for loans disbursed before June 30th, 2015 and 4.29% for loans disbursed on or after July 1st, 2015. Loan repayment will begin six months after graduation or dropping below half-time enrollment while interest accrual will begin immediately after graduation or dropping below half-time enrollment.

Effective beginning with the 2013-2014 academic year, new borrowers may only receive subsidized loans for a maximum of 150% of the published length of their academic program. For example, a student who is enrolled in a four-year program can receive subsidized loans for a maximum of six years. (Students must meet eligibility criteria to qualify for subsidized loans.) Once a borrower has reached the 150% limitation, his or her eligibility for an interest subsidy also ends for all outstanding subsidized loans that were disbursed on or after July 1, 2014. At that point, interest on those previously borrowed loans would begin to accrue and would be payable in the same manner as interest on unsubsidized loans.

Direct Unsubsidized Loans

Direct Unsubsidized Loans are available to all eligible FAFSA applicants regardless of income. Interest accrues from the date of disbursement, but the extra costs of accrual can be avoided by making regular interest payments while in school. The interest rate for loans disbursed between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016 are fixed at 4.29% for undergraduate and 5.84% for graduate/professional borrowers.

Direct PLUS Loans

Direct PLUS Loans are designed to help graduate students and parent(s) of undergraduate students meet their educational costs. Graduate students and parent(s) may borrow up to the cost of education for the academic year, less any other financial aid received. PLUS loans are available only to borrowers who do not have adverse credit histories. The interest rate for loans disbursed between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016 are fixed at 6.84%. Repayment begins 60 days after the loan is fully disbursed. Parent(s) borrowing under the Parent PLUS program have the option of deferring payment until after their dependent student graduates or drops below half time enrollment. Graduate students who borrow under the Graduate PLUS program do not enter repayment while enrolled at least half time. Please go to www.StudentLoans.gov for additional information on repayment options and terms.

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* Dependent students whose parents do not qualify for a Parent PLUS Loan are eligible to receive an additional Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan up to $4,000, not to exceed cost of attendance.

** Students who do not qualify for a Federal Direct Subsidized Loan are eligible to receive Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loans up to their respective total annual maximum loan limits, not to exceed cost of attendance.
Federal Perkins Loans

Federal Perkins Loans are available to on-time undergraduate and graduate applicants who are citizens or eligible non-citizens. The loan limit is $5,500 per academic year for undergraduate students and $8,000 for graduate and professional students. The actual award amount may be less based on annual funding and UCLA’s institutional awarding policy. Undergraduates may borrow up to an aggregate total of $27,500. Graduate and professional students may borrow up to $60,000, which includes undergraduate Federal Perkins Loan amounts. The loan interest rate is fixed at 5%. Loan repayment and interest accrual begins nine months after graduation or less than half-time enrollment.

California DREAM Loan Program

The California DREAM Loan Program, authored by state Senator Ricardo Lara (Bell Gardens), became law through the passage of Senate Bill 1210. SB 1210 would allow for UC and CSU campuses to administer non-federal loans to undocumented students who meet the DREAM Act Application requirements. DREAM loan program is available to on time undergraduate applicants. The annual loan maximum is $4,000 per academic year. The actual award amount may be less based on annual funding and UCLA’s institutional awarding policy. Undergraduates may borrow up to an aggregate total of $20,000 at any one institution. The loan interest rate is fixed at 5%. Loan repayment and interest accrual begins six months after graduation or less than half-time enrollment.

Private Loans

Private Loans will be offered to students who receive the maximum award amounts under the federal loan program for academic year and still require additional funding. Private loans are funded by banks and lending institutions and often require a co-signer. Students and/or co-signers will have to pass a credit check, performed by the lender, before their private loans are approved. The interest rate and repayment terms will vary since these loans are not federal regulated. If you are awarded a private loan, see the Private Loan Guide on our website at www.financialaid.ucla.edu under publications. Note: There is a 10-day waiting period for Private Loans. Students considering student loans need to be aware of the differences between federal student loans and private student loans:

- Federal student loans are required by law to provide a range of flexible repayment options including, but not limited to, income-based and income-contingent repayment plans, as well as loan forgiveness benefits that private lenders are not required to provide.
- Federal direct loans are available to most students regardless of income. Other qualification criteria do apply. For more information, please visit, http://www.studentaid.ed.gov/eligibility.
- Private student loan lenders can offer variable interest rates that can increase or decrease over time, depending on market conditions.
- The interest rate on a private loan may depend on the borrower’s and/or co-signer’s credit rating.
- Private student loans have a range of interest rates and fees and students should determine the interest rate of, and any fees associated with, the private student loan included in their financial aid award package before accepting the loan. Students should contact the lender of the private student loan or their UC campus’ financial aid office if they have any questions about a private student loan.
- Some UC campuses offer students their own private (institutional) student loans. Students offered a UC institutional private student loan should know: Interest rates on UC loans will be fixed, not variable.
- UC loans can have a range of interest rates.
- UC loans are not awarded based on the credit history of the borrower.

Short-Term Loans

Short-Term Loans are interest-free loans available to all enrolled students who have fully paid fees and are in good standing with UCLA Student Loan Services & Collections. Loans of up to $200 ($350 with employment verification) are available through the Loan Services Office. Higher amount Financial Aid Advances require verification of anticipated current quarter/semester financial aid. All short-term loans are due in full on the 20th day of the following month. For further details, visit www.loans.ucla.edu/shorttermloan.html.
The UCLA Regents Scholarship

The UCLA Regents Scholarship is a highly competitive, merit-based scholarship that is available to entering freshmen and entering transfer students. Students are invited to compete for this scholarship based on demonstrated academic excellence, leadership and exceptional promise. The latest statistical data averages for freshmen Regents are as follows: GPA: 4.31, SAT Math: 759, SAT Reading: 742, SAT Writing: 744, Best subject: 792, Honors/AP: 22 units. Freshmen are guaranteed $2,000 per year for four years and transfer students are guaranteed $2,000 per year for two years. Transfer students must have a cumulative GPA of 4.0 to be considered for a Regents scholarship. All students must be a resident of California and be a citizen or permanent resident of the U.S. For more information about the Regents Scholarship, go to: http://wwwfinancialaid.ucla.edu/LeftNavProspective-Student/Scholarships#10689508-ucla-regents-scholarship.

UCLA Achievement Scholarships

UCLA Achievement Scholarships are offered based on academic excellence and financial need to the highest ranked students who are identified by UCLA Undergraduate Admission during the admissions process and who submit their financial aid application (FAFSA or Dream) on time. UCLA Achievement Scholarship will replace eligible students’ self-help (work-study and need-based loans) awards up to a maximum set each year*. This scholarship is renewable and will be offered for four years to students admitted as freshmen and for two years to students admitted as junior transfers as long as they continue to demonstrate need and are otherwise eligible to receive financial aid. *For 2014-2015, the UCLA Achievement Scholarship maximum was $10,000.

Alumni Scholarships

Alumni Scholarships are awarded to freshman graduating from California high schools and entering transfer students from California Community Colleges. Freshmen must have a minimum 3.85 GPA and SAT I verbal score of 600/670 and a minimum SAT I math score of 600. Transfer students must have a minimum 3.5 GPA and 84 transferable quarter units. Financial need is not required. Awards range from $500 to $1,000.

University and Endowed Scholarships

University and Endowed Scholarships are awarded to academically meritorious individuals who demonstrate need. A FAFSA or Dream Application and a scholarship application must be filed each year before March 2 to be considered for university and endowed scholarships. Awards range from $100 to $3,000 and are not automatically renewable. Continuing students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater and must demonstrate financial need. For more information regarding UCLA scholarships, go to: http://wwwfinancialaid.ucla.edu/LeftNavProspective-Student/Scholarships.

The Scholarship Resource Center

The Scholarship Resource Center (SRC) at UCLA assists students with searching for non-university scholarships, regardless of their financial aid eligibility. Non-University Scholarships (Outside Agency Scholarships) are funds from various organizations, agencies, companies, or private individuals that are not administered by the University. Students must meet various agency restrictions, which may include academic achievement, special talent, leadership ability, or group affiliation. The SRC offers a number of services to assist in the scholarship process — a library of scholarship books, counseling, search services, and workshops. The SRC is located in 233 Covel Commons and is open Monday through Friday, 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. You can also reach the Center by calling (310) 206-2875. Students who receive scholarships must notify the UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships of the source and amount of funds. Scholarships are generally counted against need-based assistance in your financial aid package.

FEDERAL WORK STUDY

Federal Work-Study (FWS) is a federally funded program administered by the UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships. Eligibility is based upon demonstrated financial need and on-time application status. Both graduate and undergraduate students who are citizens, permanent residents, eligible international students and Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) eligible Dream Act students are considered. Students can work up to 20 hours per week and earn money for college costs through part-time employment in an approved on or off-campus job. Once you have accepted your award, it is your responsibility to review the online Work-Study job bulletin, contact employers, interview, and find a position by the hiring deadline (usually in February) in order to earn the funds provided through FWS.

VETERAN AND ROTC BENEFITS

If you expect to receive a Veteran Fee Paying awards or ROTC benefits, please review your Financial Aid Notification (FAN) carefully to ensure that your Veteran/ROTC award is reflected on your award summary. If your FAN does not reflect a Veteran or ROTC awards, the Financial Aid and Scholarships office is not aware that you are receiving this and it is your responsibility to inform our office. Failure to report these benefits may result in a bill.

You may report an expected Veteran or ROTC benefit electronically on your FAN, or in writing by completing the 2015-16 Petition for Reevaluation form. Your FAN will be adjusted in accordance with University of California Office of the President policy on the treatment of veteran benefits. Under this policy, the treatment of benefits will depend upon whether you are a veteran or are receiving veteran benefits under Transfer of Eligibility (TOE) and whether your award is designated to cover fees or pay for your living expenses.
Maintaining Financial Aid Eligibility

SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS (SAP)

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) for financial aid purposes measures a student’s progress relative to their length of enrollment. UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships has revised the Standards for Satisfactory Academic Progress in accordance with new federal regulations. UCLA Standards for Satisfactory Academic Progress measures a student’s progress toward degree completion using both qualitative (GPA) and quantitative (units completed compared to units attempted) methods. To be eligible for financial aid at UCLA, students must meet or exceed these standards. The standards apply to all college coursework taken, regardless of whether financial aid was received or not, including coursework transferred from another institution. Academic progress is reviewed annually after winter quarter grades are available and units attempted are measured on the census date at the end of third week of each quarter. Students who fail to meet the Standards for Satisfactory Academic Progress will have their financial aid eligibility suspended. Please refer to the Guide to Satisfactory Academic Progress, which is available on our website at www.financialaid.ucla.edu.

QUARTERLY UNIT REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the Satisfactory Academic Progress requirements, you must also adhere to the quarterly unit requirements. UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships checks your units on the census date at the end of the third week of classes. Enrollment below halftime on that date will result in cancellation of your aid and billing for funds received. Half-time enrollment for an undergraduate student is 6 units. Some undergraduate awards (Federal Pell Grant, Cal Grant, Blue and Gold Opportunity Grant and University Grants) require enrollment in 12 units to maintain maximum eligibility. Enrollment below 12 units on the census date will result in reduction of and billing for these awards. Federal Grants will not be reinstated if your unit count increases after the census date. For a graduate student, the minimum unit requirement for half time is 4 units.

WITHDRAWALS

If you receive financial aid and subsequently do not enroll in the University or enroll and then withdraw, you may be required to return financial aid funds received. The calculation of Return of Title IV funds received is based on published schedules and the date you withdraw (officially or unofficially), cancel your registration or drop all your classes. Title IV funds include Federal Pell Grant, SEOG, Work-Study and Federal Loans.

Grants funded from University sources (ex: University Grant, Blue and Gold Opportunity Award, etc.) will also be subject to reduced and billing, if you withdraw. The calculation of return of grant aid is based on published schedules and the date you withdraw, cancel your registration or drop all your classes.

Information regarding withdrawal calculations is available on our website at http://www.financialaid.ucla.edu/Forms-and-Publications under, Return of Title IV Funds Guide. If you are a CAL Grant recipient and you receive a fee refund based on a withdrawal, your CAL Grant award will also be reduced.

ACCREDITATION STATEMENT

UCLA is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges along with numerous special agencies. Information regarding the University’s accreditation may be obtained in the Office of Budget and Planning, Institutional Planning Analysis Library.

PRIVACY

As mandated by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships will not release any student specific information to a third party (including parents) without the student’s permission. However, students may authorize our office to provide their financial aid information to a third party. For more information, go to: http://www.financialaid.ucla.edu/Portals/9/publications/2015-2016/Third-Party_Access_Instructions.pdf

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