



LEARN ABOUT VARIOUS TYPES OF  
FINANCIAL AID TO PAY FOR COLLEGE  
(INCLUDING IN YOUR STATE AND FOR  
DREAMERS)



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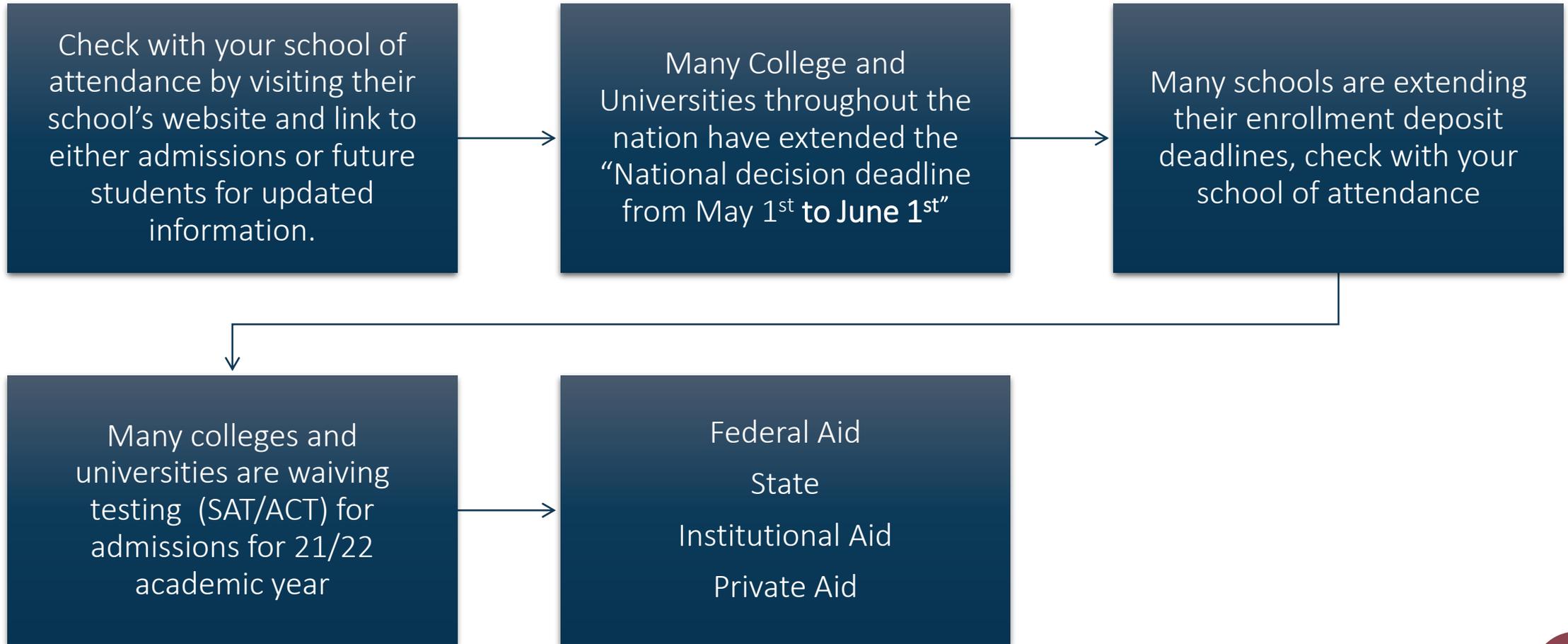
COVID -19 Pandemic has disrupted the admissions criteria to colleges & universities throughout the nation.

Many colleges have adjusted their criteria, deadlines, and student support services to meet the needs of students



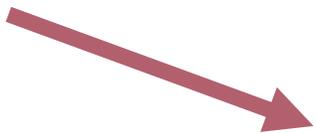
It is strongly recommended to check your school of attendance website for updates. On the home page of the college or university, link to admissions, future student, or prospective student.

# The current admissions changes due to the Pandemic



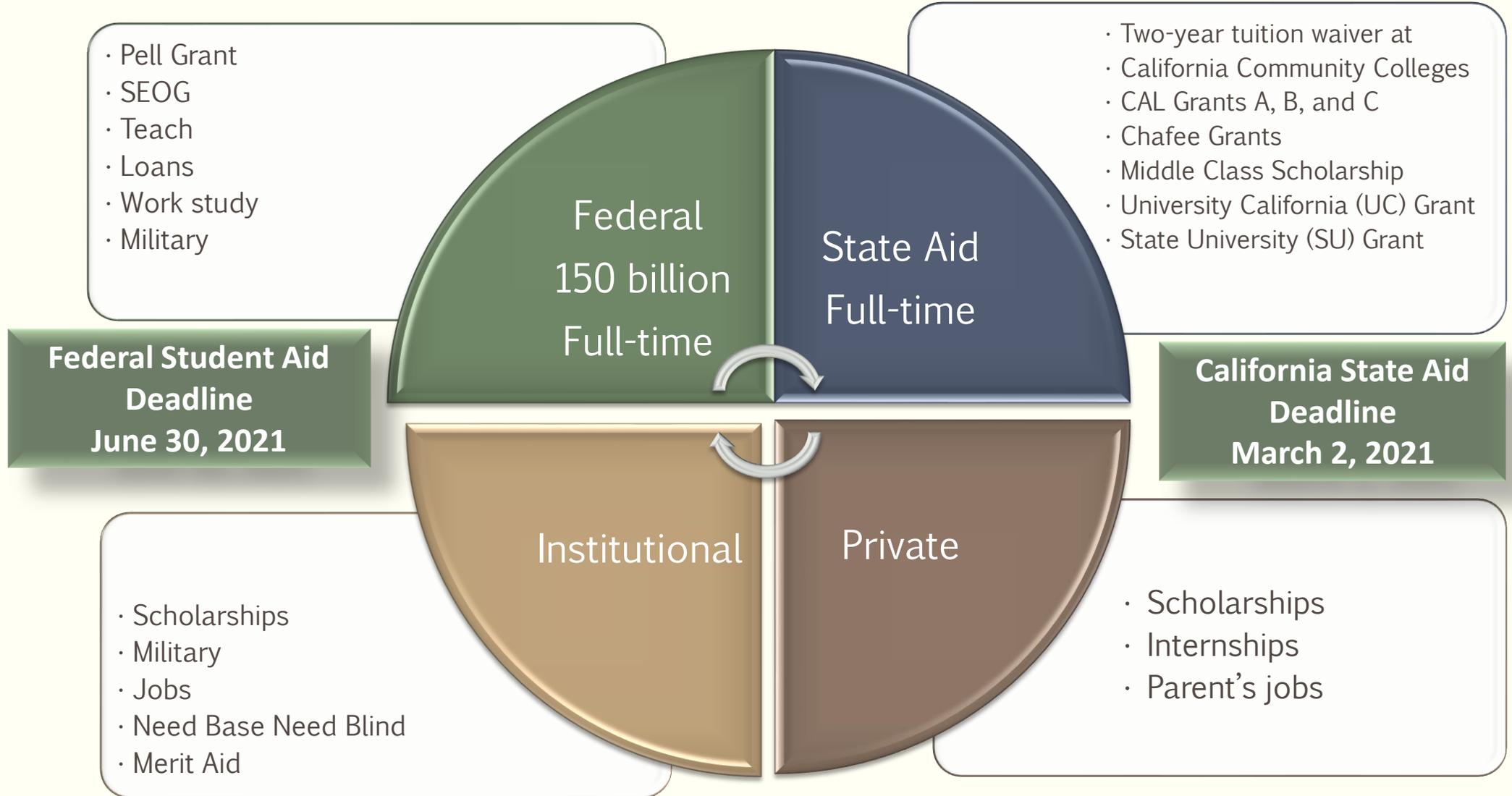
## Don't lose your State Grants by not conducting your research! You have options and talk to your counselor for resources

- Every state in the union has a Department of Higher Education that monitors, and regulates, the colleges and universities within that state.
- Most states offer their resident students some degree of college financial aid, either through their Department of Higher Education or through a dedicated Student Assistance Commission.
- Scholarship and grant programs are common at the state level, and are typically supported by state and local taxes, and/or state lottery funds.



<http://www.collegescholarships.org/grants/state>

# California Financial Aid Resources to help pay for college



# Free Year Tuition at Community Colleges AB-2 and AB-19

The first step to receive tuition aid is to fill out the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#) (FAFSA) or, for undocumented students, a [California Dream Act](#) application each year. The free-tuition initiatives at the community colleges use information from forms to automatically determine students' eligibility, so students don't need to fill out a separate application for the programs

- Must be first time
- Enrolled 12 hours
- Have an accurate FAFSA or Dream Act completed



CSU/UCs and most Colleges and Universities, if not all have Suspend Standardized Testing Requirements for Upcoming Admission Cycles 2021-2022. If you are looking at a specific school, check with admissions

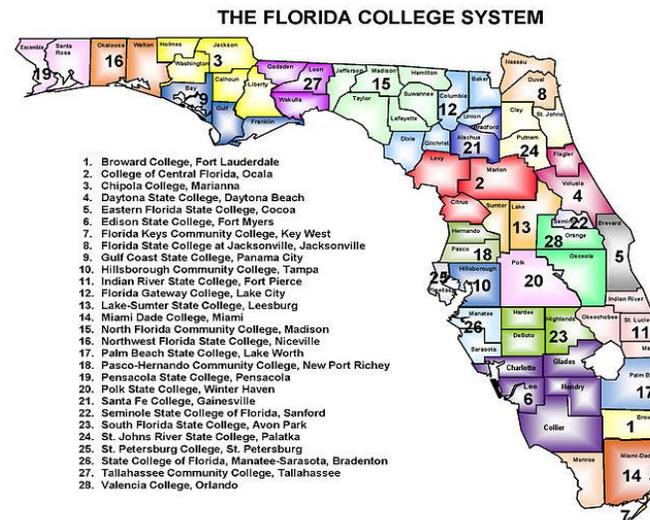
## Testing

- The California State University (CSU) System will be going test blind for Fall 2021 and will not factor in ACT or SAT to determine eligibility for first-time freshmen. Instead they will rely on GPA and other factors



## Housing or Residential Life

- Housing - Given the evolving situation about the COVID-19 pandemic, it is not possible to determine at this time what changes to operations in student housing may occur in Academic Year 2021-2022.



# Blue & Gold Opportunity Plan

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**YOU CAN AFFORD UC!**

Did you know UC's **BLUE+GOLD** opportunity plan can cover your systemwide tuition and fees?

Find out if you qualify.

**HOW DOES IT WORK?**

- For eligible California students whose annual family income is under \$80,000, UC's systemwide tuition and fees will be fully covered during your first four years at UC (or two years if you are a transfer student) up to your financial need.
- Blue + Gold students with sufficient financial need can qualify for **EVEN MORE** aid to help reduce the cost of attending UC.

**HOW DO I APPLY?**

There's no special paperwork. Just apply for financial

- California families with annual income below \$80,000 as determined for federal need-based aid programs. This is a measure of parents' income for dependent students.
- If you receive Pell, a Cal Grant, and private scholarships that don't fully cover your fees, your Blue and Gold award will make up the difference with UC money

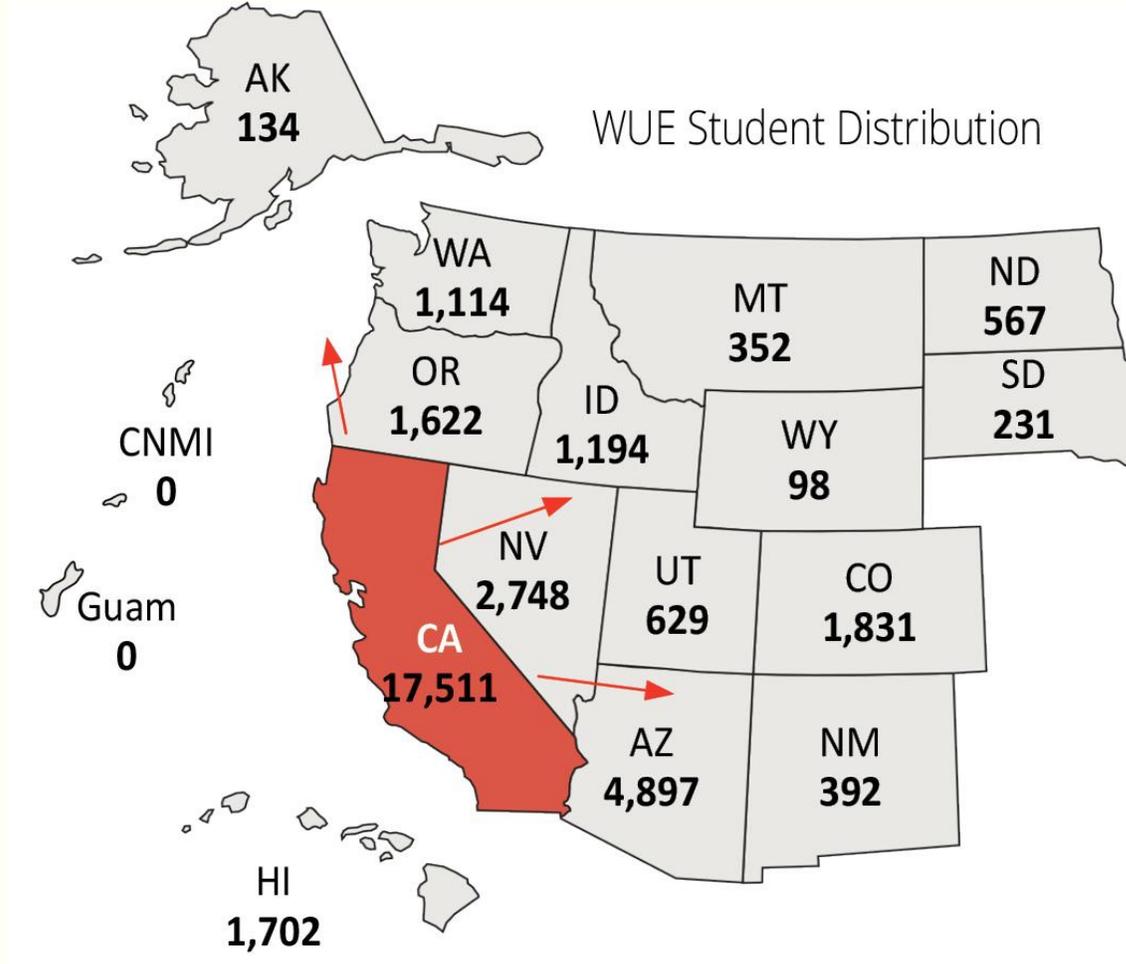
<https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/tuition-financial-aid/types-of-aid/blue-and-gold-opportunity-plan.html>

# Things to Remember about the Tuition Exchange discount

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- Most Institutions extend the **tuition break rate** to a student for that school's typical minimum interval (2-4-year institution)
- Some institutions require that you reapply each year; check with the school and follow their policy.
- Students must maintain good academic standing to keep the Tuition break rate
- Awards are time-limited, or may max out after a certain number of credits are earned
- Student can't use time paying the rate to gain in-state residency in most cases

# California by the Numbers



17,511 California undergrads paid 150% or less of resident tuition to save \$179.2 million

# Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE)

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Alaska,  
Arizona,  
California,  
Colorado,  
Hawaii,  
Idaho,  
Montana,  
Nevada,  
New Mexico,  
North Dakota,  
Oregon,  
South Dakota,  
Utah,  
Washington,  
Wyoming,  
U.S. Pacific  
Territories and  
Freely Associated  
States

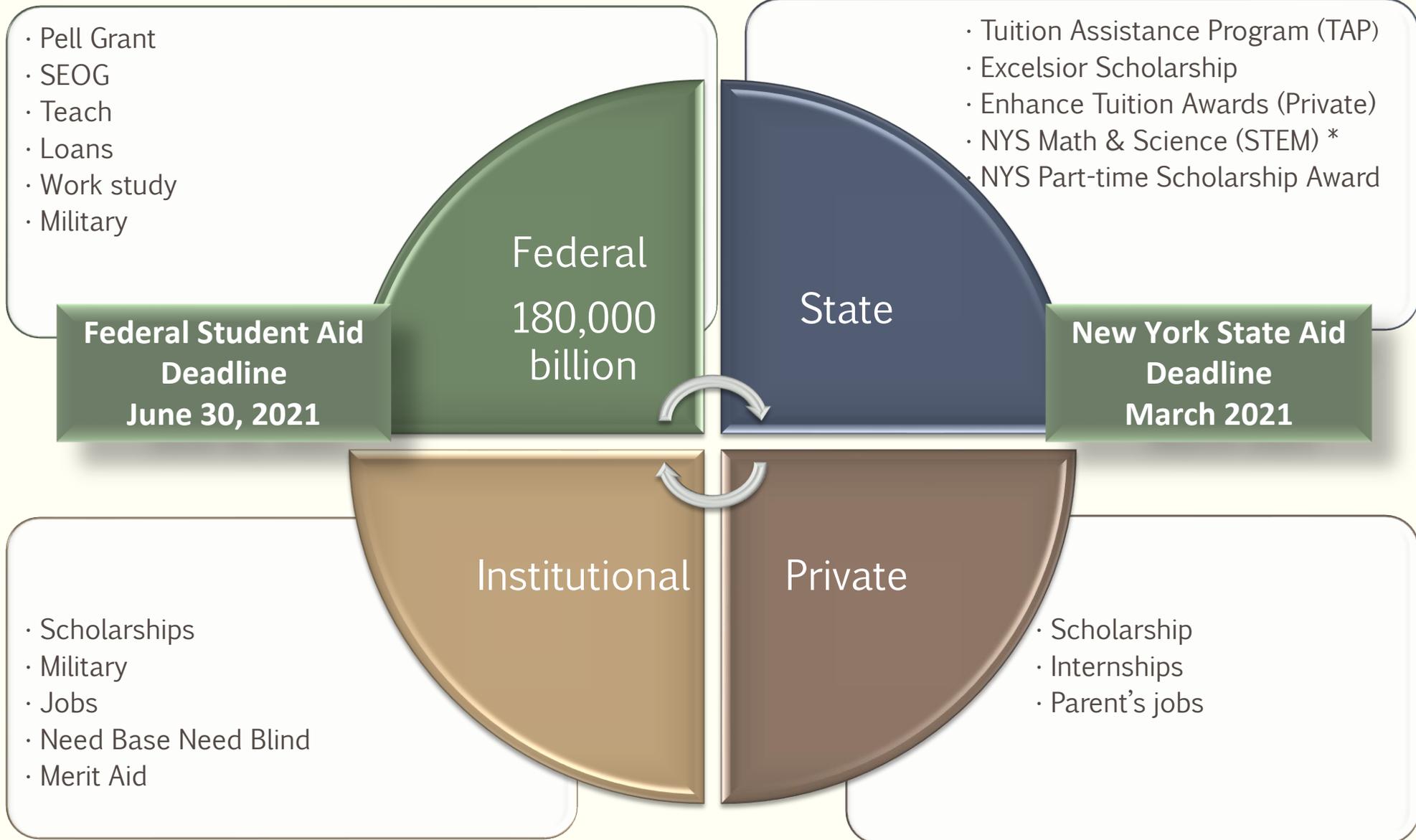
- Through WUE, students in Western states may enroll in participating in the 160 two-year and four-year public college programs at a reduced tuition level up to 150 percent of the institution's regular resident tuition
- WUE supports over 160 community colleges and 4-year universities
- Families can save an average of \$9,000 annually each on the cost of nonresident tuition

[https://www.nasfaa.org/State\\_Regional\\_Tuition\\_Exchanges](https://www.nasfaa.org/State_Regional_Tuition_Exchanges)

<https://www.wiche.edu/tuition-savings/wue/for-students/>

[www.wiche.edu/sep/wue](http://www.wiche.edu/sep/wue)

# New York Financial Aid Resources to help pay for college



# New York State

The José Peralta New York State **DREAM Act** allows undocumented and other students access to New York State-administered grants and scholarships that support their higher education costs.

If you attended or graduated from an NYS high school, attended an approved NYS high school equivalency program, or received an NYS equivalency diploma, you may be eligible for state financial aid.

The **DREAM Act** opens the doors of higher education and provides access to the **Excelsior Scholarship**, the **Tuition Assistance Program (TAP)** and other state-administered scholarships.

*To review your eligibility and to learn more, please visit [www.hesc.ny.gov/dream/](http://www.hesc.ny.gov/dream/)*

The screenshot shows the website for the Higher Education Services Corporation. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Partner Access' and 'Student Access' buttons, social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube, and a search bar with the text 'ENHANCED BY Google'. Below the navigation bar, there is a green banner with the text 'Have questions about your NYS grants or scholarships? Schedule A Call with HESC' and a 'Learn More' button. To the right of this banner, there is another green box with the text 'What you need to know about COVID-19 and your financial aid' and a 'Learn More' button. Below the banner, there is a large image of three young women wearing blue graduation caps. Overlaid on this image is the text 'Senator José Peralta New York State DREAM Act' and a white button with the text 'APPLY NOW!'. Below the image, there is a teal banner with the text 'Prepare' and a sub-headline: 'Begin your journey to college, and get step-by-step planning tips to help you stay on track. Learn everything from taking the right classes, finding the right college, writing your college essay and submitting your applications on time.' At the bottom of this banner is a white button with the text 'START NOW'.

# Academic Common Market

## Southern Regional Education Board *Academic Common Market*

SREB's Academic Common Market is a hub for states, universities and college students to share access to uncommon degree programs. Students whose states don't offer the degree they want may find the program in another SREB state and be eligible to attend at in-state tuition rates.

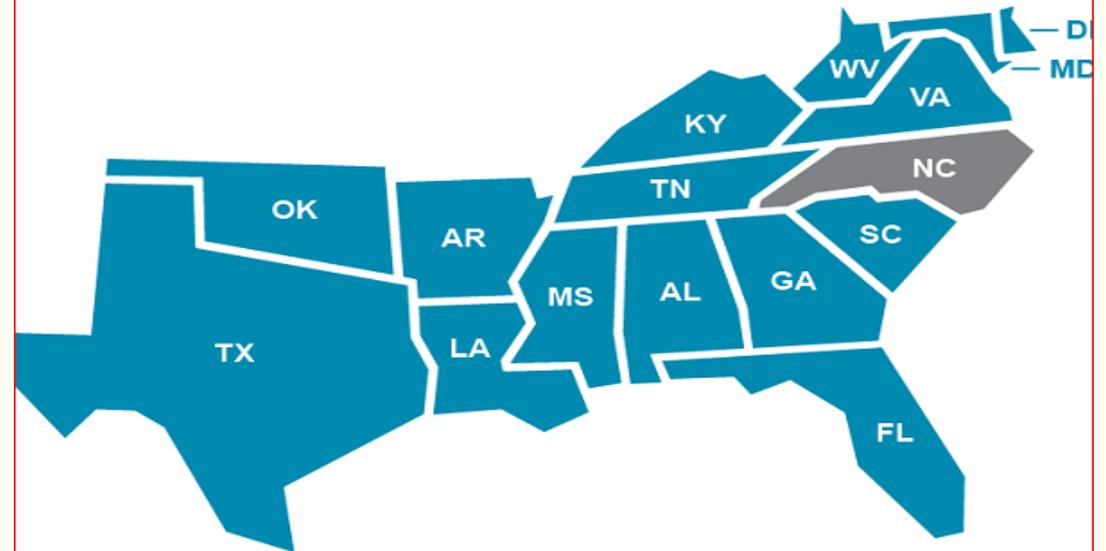
When there's a match, everyone wins. Students save the cost of out-of-state tuition, colleges fill unusual degree programs with motivated students, and states may avoid the cost of creating specialized programs.

**\$15,467**

Average  
2017 Tuition  
Savings per Student

## Participating Institutions

Click a state on the map below to see the institutions participating in the ACM in that state



[Alabama] [Arkansas] [Delaware] [Florida] [Georgia]  
[Kentucky] [Louisiana] [Maryland] [Mississippi]  
[Oklahoma] [South Carolina] [Tennessee] [Texas]  
[Virginia] [West Virginia]

Notice: As a result of the General Assembly of North Carolina's Appropriations Act of 2011, North C

<https://www.sreb.org/academic-common-market>

[https://www.nasfaa.org/State\\_Regional\\_Tuition\\_Exchanges](https://www.nasfaa.org/State_Regional_Tuition_Exchanges)

# NYS Higher Education Service Corporation

## Schedule a Call with HESC when it's Convenient for You

HESC will answer your questions or help you with a specific issue. This form to make an appointment to speak with one of our representatives.

Representatives are available from 8:30 am to 4:30, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays).

Once your selection is made, a HESC representative will contact you on the date/time you indicated. While HESC will make every effort to contact you within the time frame selected, please keep in mind that a high volume of call requests could cause a slight delay.

[www.hesc.ny.gov](http://www.hesc.ny.gov)

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A table lists various programs:

| NYS Grants | NYS Scholarships & Awards  | Federal Grants  | Federal Work-Study | Other Grants & Scholarships | Loan Forgiveness | Student Loans |
|------------|--|---|--------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------|
|            | <b>Scholarship</b>   | <b>Summary</b>  |                    |                             |                  |               |
|            | <a href="#">Excelsior Scholarship</a>                                  | The program covers tuition for eligible SUNY and CUNY students. For the 2020-21 academic year, families who earned \$125,000 or less in the tax year 2018 are eligible to apply.  |                    |                             |                  |               |
|            | <a href="#">Enhanced Tuition Awards</a>                                | This program enables students attending private colleges to receive financial assistance to complete their college degree. The program provides a maximum award of \$3,000, requires private colleges to provide a match and freeze student tuition for the duration of the award - maximizing the financial benefit to the student.  |                    |                             |                  |               |
|            | <a href="#">New York State Part-time Scholarship (PTS) Award</a>       | The New York State Part-Time Scholarship Award Program provides scholarship awards to students who attend a SUNY or CUNY Community College part-time and maintain a 2.0 GPA. Students can receive \$1,500 per semester for up to 2 years.   |                    |                             |                  |               |
|            | <a href="#">NYS Child Welfare Worker Incentive Scholarship Program</a> | The NYS Child Welfare Worker Incentive Scholarship Program grants awards for child welfare workers employed at voluntary not-for-profit child welfare agencies licensed by the NYS Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS). Recipients must agree to live in NYS and work at a voluntary not-for-profit child welfare agency licensed by OCFS for 5 years after graduation, and can use the award to get an associate's, bachelor's or graduate degree for not more than 2 years, 4 years, and 2 years, respectively. |                    |                             |                  |               |
|            | <a href="#">NYS Scholarships for Academic Excellence</a>               | Awarded to outstanding graduates from registered New York State high schools. Awards are based on student grades in certain Regents exams. For up to five years of undergraduate study in New York State.   |                    |                             |                  |               |
|            | <a href="#">New York State Achievement and Investment in Merit</a>     | The New York State Achievement and Investment in Merit Scholarship (NY-AIMS) provides high school graduates who excel academically with \$500 in merit-based scholarships to support their cost of attendance at any college or university located in   |                    |                             |                  |               |

On the right side, there are "Related Resources" including links for "Learn More About TAP", "How Much Will College Cost You?", "Compare The Different Types of Loans", "Served in the Military? There Are Special Programs Just For You", and "Youth in Care". There is also an "In The Spotlight" section with links for "NYS DREAM Act is Available", "Check your TAP and Scholarship Status, Change your College Code or Update your Information", "NYS Get on Your Feet Loan Forgiveness Program is Available", and "TAP Frequently Asked Questions". At the bottom right, there is a "College Finance Advisor" button with the text "Complete simple questions and create a Pay for College Action Plan!"

# The Excelsior Scholarship for New York Residence CUNY and SUNY

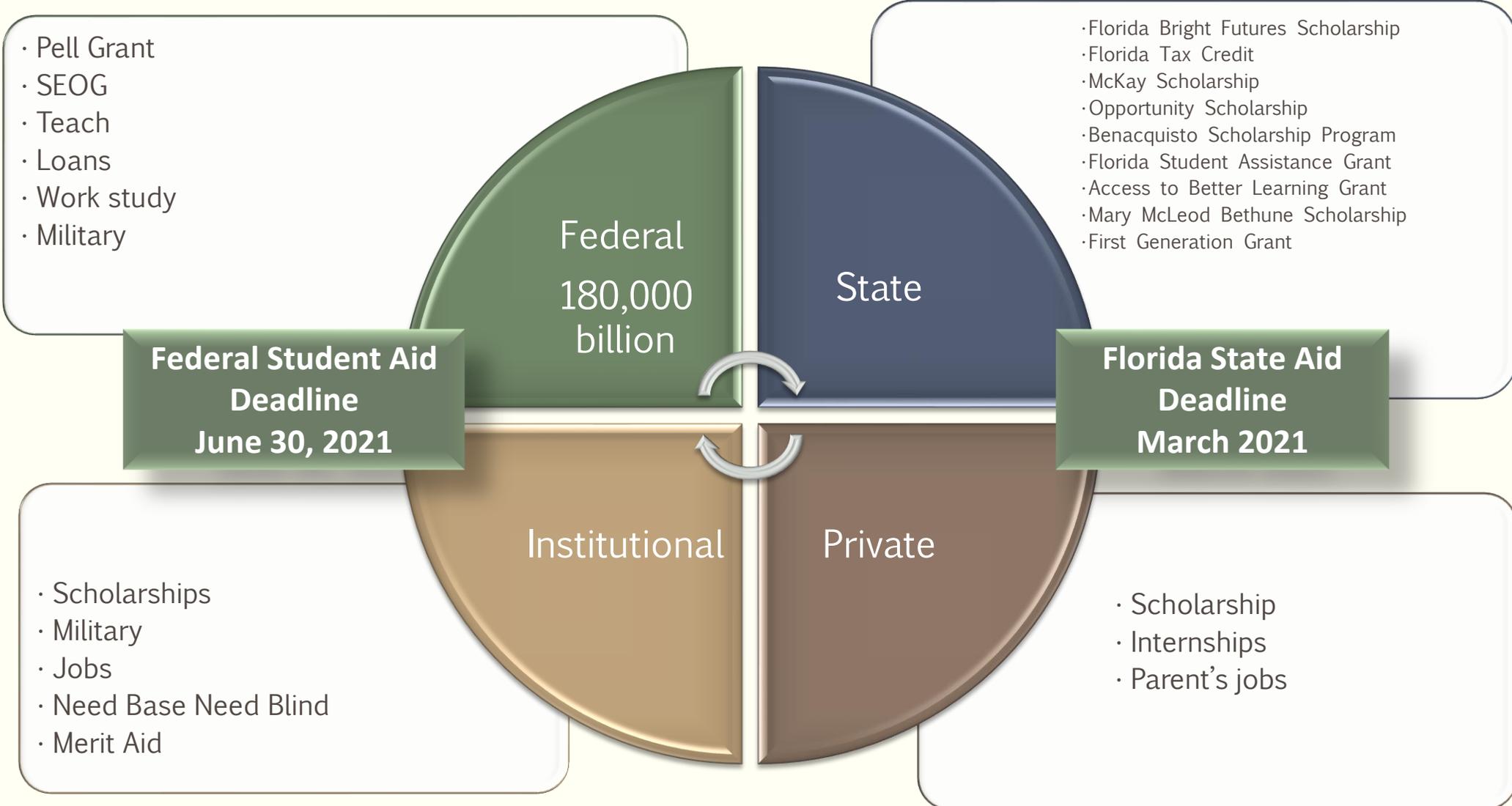
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- ❑ The scholarship covers the remaining cost of tuition after other scholarships and financial aid like the Pell Grant and the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) are applied. You can receive up to a \$5,500 scholarship from the program.
- ❑ The program doesn't cover other costs of college, such as room and board, fees, or transportation.
- ❑ A recipient of an Excelsior Scholarship is eligible to receive award payments for:
  - -Up to 2 years of full-time undergraduate study in a program leading to an associate's degree
  - 4 years of full-time undergraduate study (or 5 years if the program normally requires 5 years in a program leading to a bachelor's degree)
- ❑ The deadline to apply for the 2019-2020 academic year is August 15, 2019. Current Excelsior Scholarship recipients don't need to reapply.

Due to COVID-19 Pandemic, some funding may be reduced.  
Check with your state for updates.

# Florida Financial Aid Resources to help pay for college



# Create a Student Account



Office of Student Financial Assistance

## Florida Student Scholarship & Grant Programs

Login ▾

### State Scholarship and Grant Programs

Access to Better Learning and Education Grant

Benacquisto Scholarship Program (FAQ)

Bright Futures Scholarship\*

Effective Access to Student Education

First Generation Matching Grant

Florida Farmworker Student Scholarship\*

Florida Student Assistance Grant  
- Career Education

Florida Work Experience Program

José Martí Scholarship Challenge Grant\*

Mary McLeod Bethune Scholarship

Minority Teacher Education Scholarship

Rosewood Family Scholarship\*

Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans\* (Award Amounts)

### First-Time Applicants

Students must submit a completed Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) to OSFA for programs denoted by an asterisk (\*). In order to apply for State Scholarship & Grant Programs, a student must first [Create a Student Account](#). After logging into your account, you may proceed to complete the FFAA.

### Eligible Institutions

#### High Schools:

Verify if your high school is a participating Florida public or private high school.

#### Postsecondary Institutions:

Verify if the postsecondary institution you are planning to attend is eligible to disburse state aid.



# Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program:

The [Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program](#) is a State of Florida lottery-funded program to reward high school graduates who demonstrate high academic achievement and enroll in Florida post-secondary institutions.

Florida Bright Future recipients will receive a fixed cost per credit hour award based upon their award level:

- Florida Academic Scholar (FAS)
- Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS)
- Gold Seal Vocational Scholar (GSV)
- Gold Seal CAPE Scholars (GSC) - new for 2016-17 High School Graduates

The cost-per credit hour amount of the award is determined by the Florida Legislative session and the program is administered by the Florida Department of Education. As a result, the awards amounts may vary year to year. No college preparatory courses are paid by Florida Bright Futures program.

# DreaMers Roadmap Mobile App

## Plentiful Scholarships for Dreamers and Latinx

The screenshot shows the DreaMers Roadmap mobile app interface. At the top, there is a teal navigation bar with the DreaMers Roadmap logo on the left and navigation links for HOME, ABOUT US, SCHOLARSHIPS, and CONTACT on the right. Below the navigation bar, the word 'SCHOLARSHIPS' is centered in a large, light blue font. The main content area features a grid of scholarship listings. The first listing is for 'Golden Door Scholars' with a due date of Oct 25, 2018 and a value of \$20,000.00. The second listing is for 'If Given a Chance' with a due date of Jan 1, 2018 and a value of \$1,000.00. Below these listings is a banner for 'MERITUS' celebrating 20 years of higher achievement, featuring silhouettes of graduates with their arms raised against a sunset background.

DREAMers Roadmap

HOME ABOUT US SCHOLARSHIPS CONTACT

### SCHOLARSHIPS

Due: Oct 25, 2018  
Golden Door Scholars  
\$20,000.00

Due: Jan 1, 2018  
If Given a Chance  
\$1,000.00

**MERITUS** Celebrating 20 of Higher Achievement

# Creating and using the FSA ID – for 12<sup>th</sup>/Seniors should have FSA ID verified by 9/30/2020 – FAFSA Opens up on 10/1/2020

| Website   | What can be done at the site  |
|---|---|
| FAFSA.gov   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Electronically sign the FAFSA</li> <li>▪ Import tax information from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) if parents worked, it is critical to use the IRS Retrieval online to transfer parent's tax information. Otherwise, be prepared for a delay in the financial aid award. Parent's will need to an FSA ID to be able to transfer and sign the FAFA</li> <li>▪ Prefill data in this year's FAFSA (if a FAFSA was filed last year)</li> <li>▪ Make online corrections</li> <li>▪ View or print an online copy of the SAR</li> </ul> |
| My Federal Student Aid StudentAidgov/login or National Student Loan Data System (NDSL) www.nslds.ed.gov | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• View a history of any federal student aid received</li> <li>• Look up loan servicer's contact information</li> </ul>   |
| Studentloans.gov  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete entrance counseling, the Financial Awareness Counseling tool, or exit counseling</li> <li>• Electronically sign a master promissory note (MPN)</li> <li>• Complete PLUS loan requests</li> <li>• Estimate student loan payments using the Repayment Estimator</li> <li>• Apply for ran income-driven repayment plan or a consolidation loan</li> </ul>  |
| Agreement to Serve (ATS)  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sign the ATS for the Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program</li> </ul>  |

# Many scholarship opportunities

## Spread the Word about College Board Opportunity Scholarships

The College Board Opportunity Scholarships is a different kind of scholarship program. Students don't have to write an essay, fill out an application, or have a specific GPA or test score. The program rewards students for simply completing the actions they need to take in order to apply to college. For more information, please see Scholarship Details and [Official Rules](#).

Get fellow parents and educators excited about the College Board Opportunity Scholarships program and encourage your students to join.

## How You Can Spread the Word

Use the following resources to help guide your students through the program.

## Pledge to Connect Your Students to Scholarships

When you pledge to tell your students about our program, we'll mail you the following resources:

- College Board Opportunity Scholarships Resources and Handouts Booklet
- Advisement Tracking Pad
- Poster

[Take the Pledge](#)



# Other Scholarship websites

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- [www.meritaid.com](http://www.meritaid.com)
- [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)
- [www.coca-colascholars.org](http://www.coca-colascholars.org)
- [www.chci.org](http://www.chci.org)
- [www.uncf.org](http://www.uncf.org)
- [www.littleafrica.org](http://www.littleafrica.org)
- [www.hispanic.fund](http://www.hispanic.fund)
- [www.hsf.net](http://www.hsf.net)
- [www.scholarshiphunter.com](http://www.scholarshiphunter.com)
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- [www.maldef.com](http://www.maldef.com)
- [www.scholarship.com](http://www.scholarship.com)
- [www.dreamersroadmap.com](http://www.dreamersroadmap.com)
- [www.adelantefund.org](http://www.adelantefund.org)
- [www.collegescholarships.com](http://www.collegescholarships.com)
- [www.gmsp.org](http://www.gmsp.org)
- [www.aacn.nche.edu](http://www.aacn.nche.edu)
- [www.apsanet.org](http://www.apsanet.org)
- [www.xerox.com](http://www.xerox.com)
- [www.thurgoodmarshallfund.org](http://www.thurgoodmarshallfund.org)
- [www.salliemae.com](http://www.salliemae.com)
- [www.jackieRobinson.org](http://www.jackieRobinson.org)
- [www.blackExcel.org/link4.htm](http://www.blackExcel.org/link4.htm)
- [www.scholarshipamerica.org](http://www.scholarshipamerica.org)
- [www.apiasf.org](http://www.apiasf.org)
- [www.cappex.com](http://www.cappex.com)

# Reserve Officer' Training Corps (ROTC)

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## ROTC Scholarships

- Navy
- Marines
- Air Force
- Army

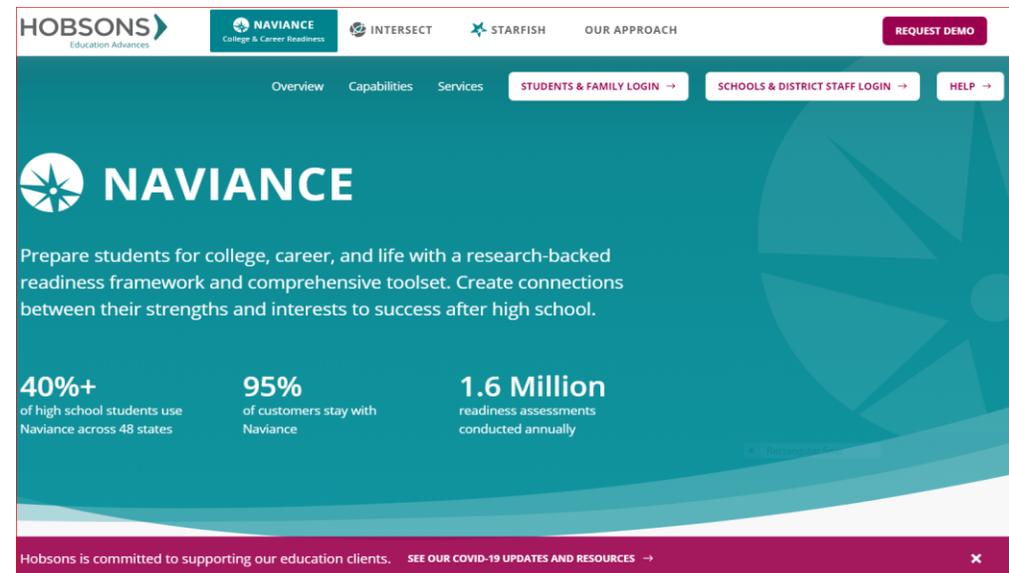
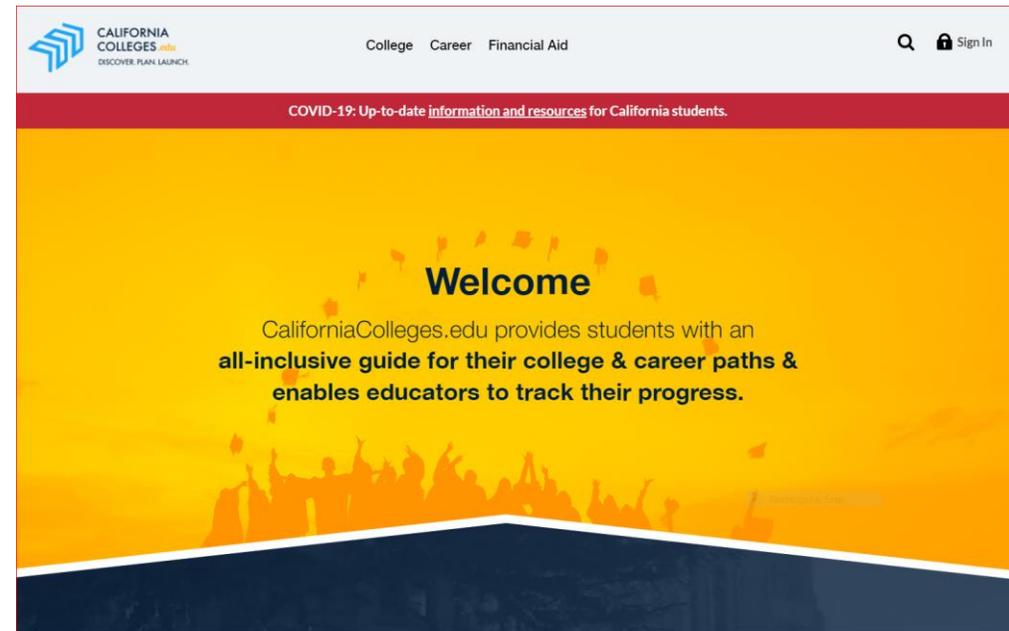
Military scholarships at 4-year universities

Check with your local colleges and ask questions about college funding and obligation



# Check with your counselor for college planning resources

- XELLO formerly Career Cruising  
[www.xello.com](http://www.xello.com)
- Naviance  
<https://www.hobsons.com/solution/naviance/>
- California Colleges  
<https://www.californiacolleges.edu/#/>
- College Navigator  
<https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/>
- College Board Big Future  
<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>
- Khan Academy  
<https://www.khanacademy.org/>
- Raise Me  
[www.raise.me](http://www.raise.me)



# Scholarship Opportunities - Start Early

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- Searching for scholarships takes preparation and planning for your future. You must decide how much time you want to put into your scholarship search.
- Use these tools to create your portfolio. These are a couple of the best tools that will help you search for scholarships and colleges that fits your profile.
- Make sure you create a free account in your freshman year of high school
- [www.cappex.com](http://www.cappex.com) (11 BILLION worth of scholarships)
- [www.nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator](http://www.nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator)
- [www.tuitionfundingsources.com](http://www.tuitionfundingsources.com) (7 million scholarships worth 41 BILLION)

## **A deeper look at college's cost: Visit**

- [collegesscorecard.ed.gov](http://collegesscorecard.ed.gov)
- <https://www.niche.com/colleges/search/best->
- <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org>
- [www.cb.org/opportunity](http://www.cb.org/opportunity)

*Visit the school's website and link to financial aid to retrieve various types of scholarships on and off campus!*

# School Aid (Institutional Aid)

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- Many postsecondary (colleges & universities) schools offer aid from their institutional funds.
- Most require the student submit an application in addition to the FAFSA to be considered for institutional aid.
- Some require a FAFSA before considering a student for merit aid; so encourage your students to complete the FAFSA at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)
- Visit [www.cappex.com](http://www.cappex.com) or the school's website to retrieve application for institutional funds.
- Some states only use their “state aid” for their state community college, state universities, or private

# Private & Foundation scholarships

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- Private scholarships come from colleges, the government, corporations, individuals, religious groups, non-profits, civic organizations, employers and professional organizations.
- Most private scholarships are awarded based on certain criteria such as academic performance, extracurricular activities, community involvement, ethnic heritage or religious affiliation.

# WHAT IS THE COMMON APPLICATION?

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## Your future starts here

Whether you're applying to college for the first time or looking to complete your degree, Common App will help you reach new heights.

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- The Common Application is a not-for-profit organization that serves students and member institutions by providing an admission application – online and in print –
- students may submit to any of 900 members.
- 200 plus colleges and universities with no application fee
- 33 international universities from 14 countries outside the U.S.

<https://www.commonapp.org>

The Common Application, is an excellent resource hub with a new refresh look. New content written to support students, parents, and counselors during all phases of the college admissions process

# What is the Black Common App



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Apply to any number of the 55 HBCUs below at the same time for only \$35.

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 Alabama A & M University  
 Alcorn State University  
 Arkansas Baptist College  
 Bethune-Cookman Univ.  
 Benedict College  
 Bennett College  
 Bluefield State University  
 Bowie State University  
 Central State University  
 Cheyney University  
 Charles R. Drew Univ. of Med & Sci.  
 Claflin University  
 Clark Atlanta University  
 Dillard University  
 Edward Waters College  
 Florida Memorial University

Grambling State University  
 Harris-Stowe State University  
 Huston-Tillotson University  
 Jackson State University  
 Johnson C. Smith University  
 Kentucky State University  
 Lane College  
 Lincoln University (MO)  
 Livingstone College  
 LeMoyné-Owen College  
 Mississippi Valley State Univ.  
 Miles College  
 Morris College  
 Morgan State University  
 Norfolk State University  
 Paul Quinn College  
 Paine College

Saint Augustine's College  
 Shaw University  
 South Carolina State University  
 Southern University and A & M College  
 Southern University at New Orleans  
 Stillman College  
 Talladega College  
 Tougaloo College  
 Tuskegee University  
 University of Arkansas Pine Bluff  
 University of Maryland Eastern Shore  
 University of the Virgin Islands  
 Virginia State University  
 Virginia Union University  
 Voorhees College  
 West Virginia State University  
 Wilberforce University



# Comparing Award letters!

- What is the cost of attendance?
- How much financial aid will you be awarded (grants, work-study, scholarship, & loans)?
- Do the simple math. Cost minus financial your financial aid
- Compare your offer.
- This is where you will need to be realistic in deciding what school you'll be attending
- Will you consider loans (see legend on “Know before you owe” chart
- Or a payment plan

Please note: You will need to either accept or reject your award letter by the deadline that the school specifies.

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/financial-aid-awards/compare-aid-calculator>

9/26/2020

| Know before you owe!   |            |            |            |
|--|------------|------------|------------|
| Compare your award letters to determine the college you will be attending.   |            |            |            |
| College(s)   | College #1 | College #2 | College #3 |
| <b>COST ON ATTENDING</b><br>(What are the charges)   |            |            |            |
| Tuition & Fees   |            |            |            |
| Room & Board   |            |            |            |
| Living off campus – Apartment  |            |            |            |
| Laptop, Printer, ink, etc.   |            |            |            |
| Books, labs, supplies, etc.  |            |            |            |
| Misc. (clothing, cell phone, etc.)   |            |            |            |
| Other misc.  |            |            |            |
| <b>TOTAL CHARGES</b>   |            |            |            |
| <b>GIFT AID – GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND OTHER GIFT AID</b>   |            |            |            |
| Pell Grant - Federal   |            |            |            |
| Cal Grant - State  |            |            |            |
| SEOG   |            |            |            |
| Teach Grant  |            |            |            |
| Institutional Grants/Scholarships  |            |            |            |
| Work Study   |            |            |            |
| Scholarships OR Merit Aid  |            |            |            |
| ROTC, Veterans, GI Bill – (Military)   |            |            |            |
| Tuition remission (employment)   |            |            |            |
| Other misc.  |            |            |            |
| <b>TOTAL GIFT AID</b>  |            |            |            |
| <b>TOTAL (minus charges from gift aid)</b>   |            |            |            |
| <b>LOANS</b>   |            |            |            |
| Subsidized Loan  |            |            |            |
| Un-Subsidized –  |            |            |            |
| Parent Plus Loan   |            |            |            |
| Outside Loans (not recommended)  |            |            |            |
| <b>TOTAL LOANS (minus for loans, only if you are taking out loans)</b>   |            |            |            |
| <b>Expected Bill</b><br>Minus all financial aid from your charges.   |            |            |            |
| <b>Payment Plan– most schools have payment options available to offer</b> (check with student accounts for the best payment plan)  |            |            |            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   |            |            |            |
| <small>* <b>Work-study</b>– if you owe the university and after all aid has been applied an no balance, you keep it. If you owe, most universities will apply it to your balance due.<br/>           * <b>Subsidized</b> - After you graduate, leave school, or drop below half-time, you will have a 6-month grace period before you are required to begin repayment.<br/>           * <b>Unsubsidized Loan</b> – After you graduate, leave school, or drop below half-time, you will have a 6-month grace period before you are required to begin repayment, also, you are responsible for paying the interest on a Direct Unsubsidized Loan during all periods.<br/>           * <b>Parent Plus Loan</b> – Parents typically start paying back the parent PLUS loan as soon as the loan is fully paid out, or they can apply to have the payments deferred for up to six months after your child graduates<br/>           * <b>Payment Plans</b> – Most schools offer some type of payment plan. You can use this option if you feel you cannot cover the total amount due in one lump sum.</small> |            |            |            |



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## Transferring to Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU Transfer)

Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) have an excellent academic track record. While only about 17 percent of black undergraduate students attend an HBCU, more than 28 percent of African-Americans who receive a bachelor's degrees obtain them from an HBCU. These colleges and universities are also leading institutions in awarding degrees to African-American students in the life sciences, physical sciences, mathematics and engineering programs.

Thanks to an agreement signed March 17, 2015 between the California Community Colleges and several HBCUs, California community college students who complete certain academic requirements are guaranteed transfer to a participating HBCU.

The 37 participating institutions are:

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|---|---|--|
| <a href="#">Alabama State University</a>            | <a href="#">Alcorn State University</a>                 | <a href="#">Arkansas Baptist College</a>   |
| <a href="#">Bennett College</a>                     | <a href="#">Bethune-Cookman University</a>              | <a href="#">Bowie State University</a>     |
| <a href="#">Central State University</a>            | <a href="#">Claflin University</a>                      | <a href="#">Clark Atlanta University</a>   |
| <a href="#">Dillard University</a>                  | <a href="#">Edward Waters College</a>                   | <a href="#">Fisk University</a>            |
| <a href="#">Florida Memorial University</a>         | <a href="#">Fort Valley State University</a>            | <a href="#">Grambling State University</a> |
| <a href="#">Harris-Stowe State University</a>       | <a href="#">Huston-Tillotson University</a>             | <a href="#">Kentucky State University</a>  |
| <a href="#">Lane College</a>                        | <a href="#">Lincoln University of MO</a>                | <a href="#">Lincoln University of PA</a>   |
| <a href="#">Mississippi Valley State University</a> | <a href="#">North Carolina Central University</a>       | <a href="#">Philander Smith College</a>    |
| <a href="#">Shaw University</a>                     | <a href="#">Southern University and A&amp;M College</a> | <a href="#">Stillman College</a>           |
| <a href="#">Talladega College</a>                   | <a href="#">Tennessee State University</a>              | <a href="#">Texas Southern University</a>  |
| <a href="#">Tougaloo College</a>                    | <a href="#">Tuskegee University</a>                     | <a href="#">Virginia State University</a>  |
| <a href="#">West Virginia State University</a>      | <a href="#">Wiley College</a>                           |  |

You can use our [degree search](#) to find a list of degrees by college, major, or track.

HBCUs were established primarily to serve the higher education needs of the African-American community, however they are open to students of all ethnicities. There are more than 100 HBCUs in the country, with most located in the

# College Applicant Portal contains personal information for every applicant at a college.

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- Once your admission application is received, you will be sent notification via email, text, or U.S. mail, depending on the school's policies.
- Look out for all emails and read carefully for portal access instructions along with a temporary log-in information
- It also may contain the link to the website to create that account, which may be different from the link provided to login once you have set up that account... It just depends on the college
- If you do not set-up an account, with the temporary login, you may not be aware of notifications from the Admissions, financial aid office, or other deadlines and being late in responding can potentially jeopardize your award letter.
- Once portals are set up, the next step is to **check the portals weekly** for registration, courses, verification forms, financial aid award letters etc.



## Your Letters of Recommendations should be from

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- ❑ A Teacher
- ❑ A Science teacher if majoring in the sciences
- ❑ Your high school counselor
- ❑ Someone from your school administration who knows your talents, ability, and background
- ❑ A community organization
- ❑ Your church (pastor)
- ❑ For Ivies, two should be from your teachers

**Note:** Make sure your letters are on agency letterhead



## BE PREPARED TO ASK QUESTIONS

- Field of study or major ( What is your passion?)
- Small or large, urban or rural, private or public universities
- What is the cost for tuition, room and board
- What are the GPA requirements?
- Does the school require the ACT/SAT?
- What is the average financial aid package for financial need students
- Learn the different deadlines for admissions, housing, and other programs (very crucial)
- What type of scholarships (on and off campus)
- What types of organizations, clubs, or support groups do you have on campus
- What is your student-teacher ratio



Thank you!  
Q&A

