

2026-2027 Award Limits and Packaging Policy and Procedures

Financial aid funds are awarded in the sequence outlined in this packaging policy. Under no circumstances will Pell Grant be reduced. When awarding additional aid based on unmet need, we will adhere to the packaging order.

PRIORITY FILES – Students who complete their files early, may be given priority in packaging campus-based aid which includes SEOG (based on remaining institution allocation)

1.	Pell Grant Limits	Maximum Award Amount = 7,395 Award amounts depend on: • Eligibility from Maximum Pell, Calculated SAI Pell, or Minimum Pell • Cost of Attendance • Pell Grant Enrollment Intensity – Full-time enrollment is defined as 12 or more units per semester. The Enrollment Intensity formula is based on the number of units the student is enrolled in divided by 12 (rounded up). Enrollment intensity cannot exceed 100% for purposes of Pell Grant proration. Example, the enrollment intensity formula for a student enrolled 7 units is $7 \div 12 \text{ units} = 58\%$		
2.	California College Promise Grant (CCPG)	California Residents Award Amount = \$1288 based on Full-time Enrollment (1104 minimum unmet need). This is an enrollment fee waiver. Students may be eligible to receive a refund if their fees were paid prior to being awarded the CCPG. Certain Admission & Records Academic Standing status may affect eligibility.		
3.	California College Promise Scholarship	California Residents or AB540 – Must submit application through the Hawk Support Center and must complete a FAFSA or CADAA: Not CCPG Eligible = \$1,400 Tuition Reimbursement (\$700 per term). Amounts may increase based on the availability of funds. Must have Full-Time Enrollment and be a first-year college student. Unit exceptions for DSPS students. <i>Amounts are subject to change.</i>		
4.	EOPS Grants, Gift Cards & Other Department Gift Cards	Eligible students are awarded EOPS Book Vouchers, EOP Grant, EOPS Care Grant, EOPS TANF Grant, Gas Card, Meal Card for amounts determined by EOPS Eligible students are awarded Gift Cards by Other Departments		
5.	TRIO	Eligible students are awarded TRIO Classic, TRIO Future Teacher & TRIO Veterans amounts determined by TRIO Office.		
6.	CAMP	Eligible students are awarded a CAMP Stipend determined by CAMP Office.		
7.	DREAM Resource Undocu	Eligible students are awarded a DREAM Resource Undocu Grant determined by First Year Support Center.		
8.	Scholarships/CalKIDS	Notification from the Foundation Office, the Cashier's Office, or the student. Award amounts vary according to the scholarship received.		
9.	Cal Grant A	Cal Grant A is awarded by the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) to undergraduates, who are CA Residents and have met the annual Income & Asset ceiling. Only Independent Students who certified that they support dependent qualify while attending Community College. Cal Grants are prorated based on enrollment status.		
		Academic Year Award	SWD/Foster Youth Only	Semester Awards
		Full-Time:	\$6000	Full-Time:
		¾ Time:	\$4500	¾ Time:
	Cal Grant B	½ Time:	\$3000	½ Time:
		Cal Grant B is awarded by CSAC to undergraduates, who are CA Residents and have met the annual Income & Asset ceiling. Cal Grants are prorated based on enrollment status. Independent Students who certified that they support a dependent qualify while attending Community College can receive the higher amounts. Cal Grants are prorated based on enrollment status.		
		Academic Year Award		Semester Awards
			Not SWD or SWD/Foster Youth	Not SWD or SWD/Foster Youth
		Full-Time:	\$1,648 or \$6,000	Full-Time:
		¾ Time:	\$1,236 or \$4,500	¾ Time:
		½ Time:	\$824 or \$3,000	½ Time:

	Cal Grant C	Cal Grant C is awarded by CSAC to undergraduates, who are CA Residents, enrolled in an eligible Non-Transferring AA Degree or Vocational Program and have met the annual Income & Asset ceiling. Independent Students who certified that they support a dependent qualify while attending Community College Cal Grants are prorated based on enrollment status.			
		Academic Year Award		Semester Award	
			Not SWD or SWD/Foster Youth		Not SWD or SWD/Foster Youth
		Full-Time:	\$1094 or \$4000	Full-Time:	\$547 / \$547 or \$2000/2000
		¾ Time:	\$820 or \$3000	¾ Time:	\$410 / \$410 or \$1500/1500
		½ Time:	\$547 or \$2000	½ Time:	\$274 / \$273 or \$1000/1000
10.	SEOG Grant (Campus Based)	Undergraduates who are Pell eligible with an SAI less than or equal to zero and enrolled in at least one unit. Award Amount: \$200 for those living “with parents” budget, \$100 per term Award Amount: \$200 for those living “away from parents” budget, \$100 per term			
11.	Federal Work-Study (FWS)	FWS is offered to students who have an SAI range of -\$1,500 or more, have unmet need, have a Satisfactory Academic Progress status that is Title IV eligible, and must complete the FWS Request Form/hiring packet. Award Amounts: \$3,500 per year and one Semester \$1,750 . Increases are considered on a case-by-case basis dependent upon funding availability.			
12.	Student Success Completion Grant (SSCG)	SSCG is awarded by the California Community College Chancellor’s Office (CCCCO) to undergraduates who are eligible and disbursed on a term-by-term basis for full-time (12+ units) Cal Grant B & C recipients. Award Amount: \$8,000 maximum per academic. - Fall & Spring \$1,298 per term 12-14.99 units, Fall & Spring \$4,000 per term 15+ units - Students identified as Former Foster Youth Fall & Spring amounts = \$5,250 per term 12+ units. - Students participating in the DSPS program who are enrolled in 9+ units are eligible for \$1,298			
13.	Direct Loans	Subsidized Direct Loans are awarded to students when requested. Students must have an aggregate loan amount of < \$12,500 and a minimum unmet need of \$600 . Amounts may vary. Maximum Sub Loan amount for Freshman (1-29 completed units) = \$3,500 Maximum Sub Loan amount for Sophomore (30+ completed units) = \$4,500. Unsubsidized Direct Loans are awarded to students as requested and meet the eligibility requirements. Amounts may vary. Maximum amount for dependent students = \$2,000 Maximum amount for independent students = \$6,000 Students must be enrolled in at least 6 eligible units applicable to their program of study. Students enrolled less than full-time will receive a prorated Direct Loan based on their enrollment level and annual federal loan limits. To prevent over awards, Pell eligible student loans will be calculated assuming full-time Pell Grant eligibility.			
14.	CHAFEE Grant	\$4,500 per year or disbursed in one semester for qualified Foster Youth. Minimum of 6 units of enrollment. Chafee payments made to any eligible student shall not be treated as other financial assistance (OFA) when awarding financial aid.			