

Cal Grant Program Award Offer

2012-2013 California Aid Report (CAR)



Congratulations! The California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) is offering you an estimated preliminary Entitlement Cal Grant award. This potential Cal Grant award is based on the information you have reported on your FAFSA, thereby, it is considered an estimated offer. Before the Cal Grant can be activated, there are further actions that must take place. Please carefully read the information below to understand what you need to do to receive your Cal Grant award. **Please be aware that this award offer may be reduced or withdrawn based on the final State Budget.**

<p>SAMPLE STUDENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1234 ABC ST • SACRAMENTO, CA 95741 • 	<p>Date 02/16/12</p> <p>Grant ID Number E12345678</p> <p>CSAC ID Number 111122222</p> <p>Academic Year 2012-2013</p>
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AWARD INFORMATION

<u>School Choice, as listed on your FAFSA:</u>	<u>Cal Grant A</u>	<u>Cal Grant B</u>
UNIV OF SOUTHERN CALIF	\$9,708	SEE CODE #1
UNIV OF CA - DAVIS	\$12,192	SEE CODE #1
NAPA VALLEY COLLEGE	SEE CODE #1A	\$1,551

To receive the Cal Grant award offer you must:

- Log on to www.webgrants4students.org and create your WebGrants for Students (WGS) account to manage your Cal Grant online. It is important to know that your WGS account is separate from your school or FAFSA account. Read the Important Facts About Your New Cal Grant Award fact sheet as it has important information you need to know about the Cal Grant award.
- Change your school of attendance on your WGS account if the first school listed above is not the school you plan to attend. The Cal Grant award will be sent to the school listed in your WGS account.
- Contact the college Financial Aid Office if your Cal Grant does not appear on the financial aid award notification you receive from your college and let them know about your Cal Grant award offer.
- Confirm your high school graduation on your WGS account **AFTER** you have satisfied all of your high school graduation requirements. The Cal Grant award cannot be disbursed until you or your school confirms your high school graduation.
- Keep your email address updated so we can send you up-to-date information about the award offer and notify you of any changes that may impact this Cal Grant award offer.

This award offer is pending approval of the final State Budget and could be reduced or withdrawn. After confirmation of the final State Budget, the Cal Grant award will be determined based on your school of attendance, enrollment status, and other eligibility requirements that must be verified by your school before Cal Grant funds can be released to you. To renew your Cal Grant award, you must file a FAFSA each year and continue to meet the income and asset requirements.

If you were offered a Cal Grant A and you attend a California Community College, you will not receive any payments at the community college. Instead, CSAC will hold the award in a Community College Reserve status for up to two years. You may activate the award once you complete your community college education and transfer to an eligible school. A Community College Reserve student must be enrolled for the 2012-13 fall term to remain eligible for the Cal Grant award.

PRIVACY STATEMENT: Please be aware, Cal Grant information for students who are 18 years of age or older will only be released to parents or guardians with written authorization from the student.



 Diana Fuentes-Michel, Executive Director
 California Student Aid Commission

Codes on the California Aid Report (CAR)

Below are explanations of codes which may appear on your CAR.



Code #1 or 1A - Qualified Applicant

You are eligible for both a Cal Grant A and a Cal Grant B. The award that shows an award amount was selected for you because it should give you the most benefit over the life of the grant. If you would rather be considered for the other grant listed, you should meet with a college financial aid counselor. If you decide to make a change, please do so as soon as possible. Changes in grant program type will not be made after an initial payment has been disbursed. You may submit your change request on WebGrants for Students at www.webgrants4students.org. You may not receive benefits in more than one Cal Grant program at the same time.

CC Reserve

You have been offered a Cal Grant A award and indicated that you will be attending a Community College (CC). Cal Grant A CC awards pay no money until you transfer to a school other than a community college. You must transfer within 2 years to retain this award. Please notify the Commission when you transfer to school other than a community college.

Code #4 - No GPA Received

No GPA was received in application for the grant program listed.

Code #7, 9, 11 - School Not Eligible for Cal Grant A, B, or C

The school does not participate in the Cal Grant program indicated.

Code #16 - Reported Income Over Ceiling

The Commission is currently using the following ceilings to determine eligibility:

Cal Grant A and C Recipients - Income ceilings for dependent students, and independent students with dependents other than a spouse:

- \$72,000 for a family of two;
- \$73,700 for a family of three;
- \$80,100 for a family of four;
- \$85,900 for a family of five;
- \$92,600 for a family of six or more.

Cal Grant A, B and C Recipients - Income ceilings for independent students without dependents:

- \$29,400 if single; or,
- \$33,600 if married.

Cal Grant B Recipients - Income ceilings for dependent students, and independent students with dependents other than a spouse:

- \$33,600 for a family of two;
- \$37,900 for a family of three;
- \$42,100 for a family of four;
- \$47,100 for a family of five;
- \$50,900 for a family of six or more.

Code #17 - Reported Assets Over Ceiling

Net assets for dependent students are calculated using parents' assets only. Home equity is not used in determining assets.

Cal Grant A, B and C Recipients - Asset ceiling for dependent, or independent with dependents other than spouse:

- \$62,000

Asset ceiling for independent students without dependents other than a spouse:

- \$29,500

Cal Grant A, B and C Recipients

Cal Grant A and B awards are offered for the equivalent of a standard four-year, full-time undergraduate program. Your grant payment will be prorated to a lower amount if you enroll for half-time or three-quarter-time status. Students enrolled in mandatory five-year programs may receive an additional year of Cal Grant payment. The school you attend can tell you whether your program of study qualifies as a mandatory five-year program. Cal Grant C payments are made for no more than the equivalent of two academic years. **This award offer may be withdrawn or award amount may change as a result of the final State Budget.**

Cal Grant C Technical/Vocational Applicants

Code #2 - Financially Eligible Applicant

You are financially eligible for a Cal Grant C. However, you have not been selected because additional conditions must be met before an award offer can be made. To receive Cal Grant C consideration, you must decline any Cal Grant A or B award you have been offered within 30 days of receiving your first CAR. You must withdraw within 30 days from receipt of your CAR. Please consult with your college financial aid counselor before deciding to turn down a Cal Grant A or B in order to compete for a Cal Grant C award. Program withdrawals are irrevocable.

Code #74 - Ineligible Course of Study or Degree/Certificate

Eligibility for the Cal Grant C program is based on your intent to enroll in a vocational or technical program. It was determined from your answer to Question 29 on the FAFSA that you do not meet this requirement.