



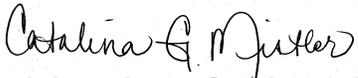
SPECIAL ALERT

Update of the California Student Aid Commission

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SUBJECT: Proposed Changes to the 2012-16 Cal Grant Program Institutional Participation Agreement

This Special Alert provides Cal Grant participating institutions with the opportunity to review the proposed changes to the 2012-16 Cal Grant Program Institutional Participation Agreement (IPA) and to provide comments to the draft dated January 18, 2012.

California Student Aid Commission (Commission) staff have reviewed and considered over 100 comments to the initial IPA draft and have incorporated many of them into the second draft, which was distributed for review and comment in late December (refer to [GSA 2011-36](#)). We have again received over 100 comments to date on the second draft, many of which are being considered because Commission staff believe that they strengthen a number of operational processes as well as provide procedural clarification.

For your review and remarks, the draft IPA dated January 18, 2012, is now available at <http://www.csac.ca.gov/doc.asp?id=1282>. This draft will be reviewed and discussed during the Commission's January 26, 2012 public meeting. Details regarding the Commission's January public meeting are available at <http://www.csac.ca.gov/comm/comm/12612/2ndamendedmeetingnotice.pdf>.

The Commission extends its gratitude to the financial aid community which has provided comments and suggestions to each of the IPA drafts. Consultation and solicitation for input will continue during the review process.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this communication, please contact Barbara Fitzpatrick at (916) 464-7291 or at bfitzpat@csac.ca.gov.

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