

MIDDLE CLASS SCHOLARSHIP (MCS) 101



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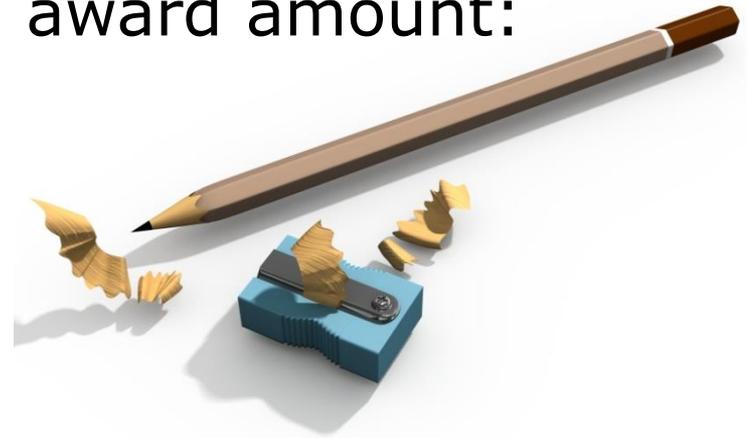


IN TODAY'S WEBINAR...

- Phones will be muted to eliminate background noise
- All questions can be typed in the Chat pod to the right, staff is available to answer your questions
- The PowerPoint can be downloaded from the Files pod

MCS AWARD AMOUNTS

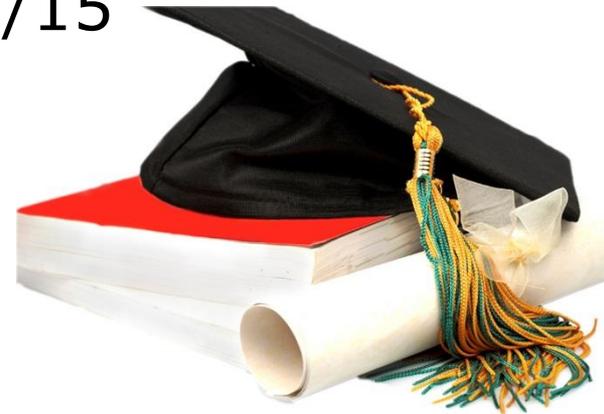
- Phase-in for the maximum award amount:
 - 2014-15 *up to 14%*
 - 2015-16 *up to 20%*
 - 2016-17 *up to 30%*
 - 2017-18 *up to 40%*



- Covers up to 40% of system-wide tuition and fees

MCS RECAP

- Awarded 85,394 students
 - 16,224 at UC
 - 69,170 at CSU
- Maximum Award Amounts in 2014/15
 - \$1,710 at UC
 - \$768 at CSU



WHAT TO EXPECT

- 2015/16 Maximum Award Amounts
 - \$2,448 at UC
 - \$1,092 at CSU
- Eligibility Changes
 - 2016/17 Income and asset ceiling adjusted annually CPI
 - Lifetime cap on award based Education Level



MIDDLE CLASS SCHOLARSHIP



- MCS awards began in 14-15 AY and offered each year thereafter
- To be considered, FAFSA/Dream Act application must be submitted by March 2
- Students must apply every year

MIDDLE CLASS SCHOLARSHIP

Who's Eligible?

Only students who have less than 40% of their UC or CSU fees covered by grants and scholarships

Not in default on student loan

Meet SAP

Not Incarcerated

Income Less than \$150,000

Asset Less than \$150,000

Exempt from paying nonresident tuition

Meets Selective Service

U.S. Citizen, eligible Non-Citizen, or AB 540

MIDDLE CLASS SCHOLARSHIP

Enrollment Requirements

Must enroll in a CSU/UC

Must be at least ½ time

1st Undergraduate program

Benefits extend to Teaching
Credential Program

Maintain SAP



MCS AWARDS

- Earnings up to \$150,000
- Assets up to \$150,000
- Final award based on students eligible & funding allocated
- Eligibility determined after students awarded federal, state and institutional aid



FINANCIAL AID OFFSETS FOR MCS

Federal Aid

- Pell Grant
- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)
- Teach Grant
- Bureau Indian Affairs Grants (BIA)



FINANCIAL AID OFFSETS FOR MCS

State Aid

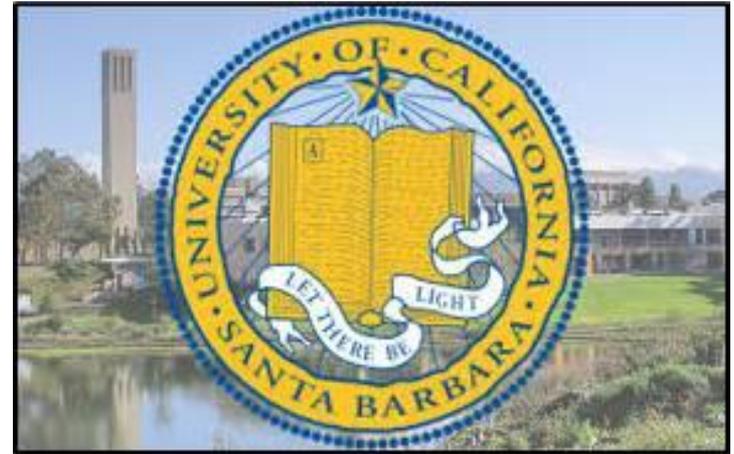
- Cal Grant
- Chafee Grant
- Child Development Grant
- Law Enforcement Personnel Dependents Grant (LEPD)
- California National Guard Education Assistance Award Program (CNG EAAP)



FINANCIAL AID OFFSETS FOR MCS

Institutional Aid

- Need-based grants
- Education Opportunity Programs
- Fee Waivers (ex. Alan Pattee)
- Portion of merit scholarship designated for fees
- Veterans benefits and other fee waivers (vocational rehab, etc.)



MIDDLE CLASS SCHOLARSHIP

My family made \$96,000 last year... What can I get from MCS?

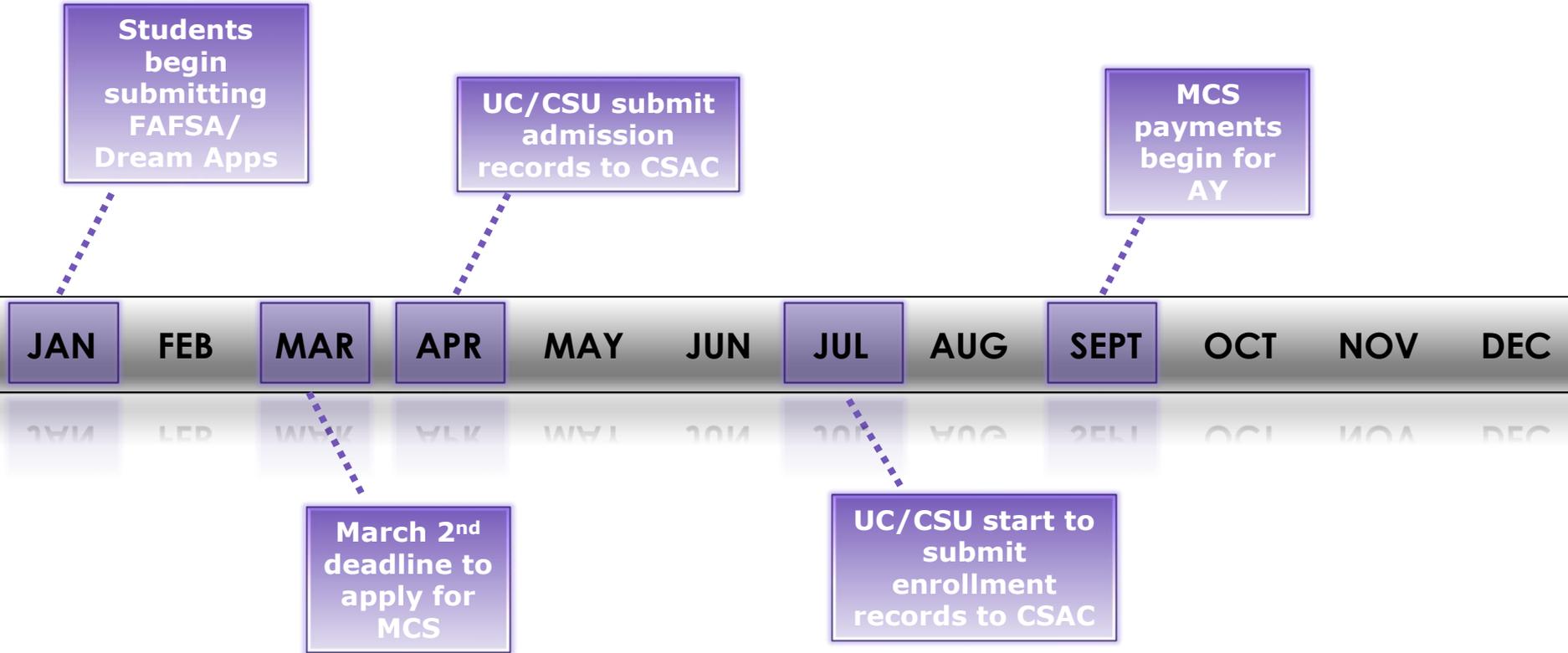
Well my family made \$119,000 last year... What can I get from MCS?

Unfortunately, if you earned over \$150,000 last year, you do not qualify for MCS

My Husband and I made \$151,000 last year... Do I qualify?



MIDDLE CLASS SCHOLARSHIP



MIDDLE CLASS SCHOLARSHIP

The following scholarship offer is based on the information from your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Application (CADA) and your pertinent financial aid as reported by your school.

*2015/16 Scholarship Amount	School on File
\$192	CSU BAKERSFIELD

Important Middle Class Scholarship Information

- ✓ If you are not attending the school listed above, you must contact the financial aid office of the CSU or UC campus you are attending to inform them of your potential MCS eligibility.
- ✓ Complete all financial aid requirements with your financial aid office.
- ✓ Schools disburse the funds to their students based on their disbursement schedules.

To check the status of your MCS award, go to the WebGrants for Students (WGS) website located at www.webgrants4students.org. On WGS, you should create an account by clicking the link that says "Create an Account" or log into your existing account. Make sure to visit WGS periodically to obtain important program and contact information. For more information about the Middle Class Scholarship, go to <http://www.csac.ca.gov/>



MIDDLE CLASS SCHOLARSHIP

2015-2016 Middle Class Scholarship Notification

• «STUDENTNAME»	Date	«CALGRANTDATE»
• «STREET»	CSAC ID Number	«GRANTID»
• «CITY»		

Congratulations! The California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) has determined you may be eligible to receive a Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) award for the 2015-16 academic year! The MCS program may offset some of the mandatory system-wide tuition and fees for eligible CSU and UC undergraduate students.

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«MCSAWARDAMT»	«MCSCOLLEGE»

** Your Middle Class Scholarship amount may be adjusted or withdrawn if you are not meeting eligibility requirements. Your University's Financial Aid Office will confirm you eligibility each term.*

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PRIVACY STATEMENT: Middle Class Scholarship information for students who are 18 years of age or older will only be released to a third party with written authorization from the student.

Diana Fuentes-Michel, Executive Director
California Student Aid Commission

WGS – MCS AWARD DETAIL

Middle Class Scholarship Award Detail

- Click on [Withdrawn Reason](#) title to display descriptions.
- Click on [Award Status](#) title to display description.
- Click on the [School of Attendance on File](#) to display description.

Search = SSN Academic Year = 2015-2016

E-Mail:
School E-Mail:

SSN/DREAM ID:
CSAC ID:
Date of Birth:
Home Phone:
Cell Phone:

Annual Award Amount	Fall	Winter	Spring	Award Date	Award Status	Withdrawn Reason
\$1,092	\$546	\$0	\$546	08/07/2015	AWARDED	

Total Income Reported: \$47,177

Other Financial Aid Reported by Your School of Attendance:

Federal Aid: \$0
State Aid: \$0
Institutional Aid: \$0

[School of Attendance on File](#)

Name: CSU SACRAMENTO
School Code: 00115000

RESOURCES

WEBINARS

The screenshot shows the California Student Aid Commission website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Web Grants, Cal Grants, Cash for College, Cal Dream Act, and FAFSA. The main header includes the logo and the text "California Student Aid Commission". Below this is a secondary navigation bar with links for HOME, STUDENTS & PARENTS, HIGH SCHOOLS, COLLEGES, OUTREACH & PROGRAMS, REPORTS & PUBLICATIONS, NEWS ROOM, and ABOUT CSAC. The main content area is divided into several columns of links. Red arrows point to specific links: one points to "Training" in the second column, another points to "Financial Aid Programs" in the first column, and a third points to "GPA Award Summary" in the fourth column. Below the main content area is a large orange wavy graphic. At the bottom, there are three sections: "Cal Grant Channel" with a video player, "Important News" with a news article about Heald College, and a "SCAM ALERT" graphic with a graduation cap and diploma. There is also a "FUND YOUR FUTURE" graphic with a student's photo.

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Information on programs available

Cal Grant - How to Apply
Application process and forms

Counselor Workshop
Presentation Information

Training
Webinars and power point

GPA Submission
Online training

Fund Your Future Outreach Publications
Multilingual publications to download or order

Cash for College Workshops
Help to apply for financial aid

WebGrants
High school online access

GPA Calculator
Calculation Instructions

GPA Verify
GPA Requirements

GPA Q&A
Frequently asked questions

GPA Award Summary
Statistical information

IT Technical Documents
Technical and IT related documents

District Access - WebGrants
District System Administrators Access Request Form

Cal Grant Channel

What's the difference between a Loan a

Important News

Student Aid Commission Issues Statement on the Department of Education's Actions Against Heald College

SACRAMENTO — Executive Director Diana Fuentes-Michel issued a statement on the U.S. Department of Education's actions against Heald College. Heald College's Institutional Participation Agreement (IPA) with the California Student Aid Commission is now terminated. Heald Colleges are no longer eligible...Click here for official statement

California Colleges.EDU

CaliforniaColleges.edu is the one-stop website for information about higher education in California for students, counselors, and parents. It has been developed in collaboration with the California State University (CSU), University of California (UC), California Community Colleges (CCC), Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities (AICCU), and the California Department of Education. More...https://secure.californiacolleges.edu/home/about_us.aspx

SCAM ALERT

Transfer Entitlement Program
CALGRANT
Making college financially accessible

FUND YOUR FUTURE

EXPLORE

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Mini-Trainings

The Commission provides on-demand training for high school and financial aid administrators. Each mini-training below is approximately five minutes in length and targets a specific subject. To watch a mini-training, simply select a link below.

New to Financial Aid

Front Desk 101- **Coming Soon! Please check back.**

Middle Class Scholarship

- Middle Class Scholarship
- MCS: Awards
- MCS: File Types
- MCS: File Submission Process
- MCS: Reports

Cal Grant

- Cal Grant Basics
- Cal Grant Eligibility
- Cal Grant A, B, C's

- Cal Grant GPA Calculations
- Individual SSN GPA Submission Process
- SSN GPA Batch Upload
- Individual Non SSN GPA Submission Process
- Creating a NON SSN GPA Text File for Batch Upload
- Uploading a NON SSN GPA Text File
- NON SSN GPA Matching Process
- NON SSN GPA Edit Process
- High School GPA Reports
- Cal Grant Payment Reporting
- Cal Grant Payment Codes
- Cal Grant Common Payment Scenarios

WebGrants

- Establishing and Accessing WebGrants
- WebGrants Help Menu
- WebGrants Tools
- Student Information Screens in WebGrants

- Customizing Your Roster
- Grant Record Changes (G-21)
- CA Dream Act Screens in WebGrants
- WebGrants Reports (Colleges)
- Cal Grant Reconciliation Reports

- WebGrants for Students
- California License Exam Reporting - **Coming Soon! Please check back.**
- SB 70: Data Reporting
- SB 70: Uploading Your Text File

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THANK YOU!

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