



# California Student Aid Commission

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## **Bilingual University Fair to be held in Northern California**

*The Mexican Consulate General in Sacramento hosting Steps to College for students and families*

Sacramento, CA (2019) – The eighth annual Steps to College, a community education fair, will be held 10:00 am – 3:30 pm at the Consulate General of Mexico in Sacramento on Saturday, February 2, 2019. The California Student Aid Commission (Commission) joins the Cien Amigos advocacy group, the Mexican Cultural Center of Northern California, as well as other public and private institutions to bring this college readiness event to Sacramento.

“The Student Aid Commission is proud to continue our partnership with the Mexican Consulate bringing the Steps to College event to the greater Sacramento region,” said Lande Ajose, Chair of the California Student Aid Commission. “Events like Steps to College continue to provide an essential service to students, allowing them to access information about higher education, financial aid and career opportunities. The gateway to higher education for so many is taking that step of completing financial aid applications so they can learn how affordable college can be and, that in turn, opens opportunities they may not have realized existed.”

High school students and their families are invited to the fair, which includes free workshops conducted in Spanish and English about college admissions, financial aid, scholarships, career options, and more. Families of first-time college students are especially encouraged to attend to learn about all the options for higher education that are available to them. This event is open to everyone and will highlight community resources that support college readiness.

As part of the event, the Commission coordinates a Cash For College workshop to provide students and their families with information about applying for financial aid. Volunteers will be available to assist families with completing the Free Application for Student Financial Aid (FAFSA) and the California Dream Act Application (CADAA). Although federal aid through the FAFSA is not available to undocumented students, state aid may be available and students will be encouraged to complete the CADAA.

Register and find more information here <http://stepstocollegesac.org/>

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*The California Student Aid Commission is the state’s policy leader in the administration of financial aid for higher education, making education beyond high school financially accessible to all Californians. California Student Aid Commission serves the needs of not only today’s college students but tomorrow’s students, guiding them through the application process. Information and tools are available online for the parents of tomorrow’s college and career technical students, a fully staffed call center answers questions and the California Student Aid Commission provides workshops and funds grants to organizations that provide access opportunities for students who are first in their family to attend institutions of higher education. For more information on how the California Student Aid Commission serves to educate, inform, and support students, their educational institutions, and the professionals who assist them please visit our website at <https://www.csac.ca.gov> or follow us on [Twitter @castudentaid](https://twitter.com/castudentaid) and [Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/CSAC.StudentAidCommission/>](https://www.facebook.com/CSAC.StudentAidCommission/).*