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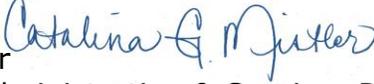


## Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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GSA 2015-15

TO: Financial Aid Administrators

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SUBJECT: **2014-15 Unpaid Cal Grant Award Status**

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) provides an update on the 2014-15 Competitive Cal Grant Program awards and the next steps Commission staff will take in an effort to increase the paid rate for eligible students.

- To date, 19,574 Competitive awardees have been paid and 737 awardees are in a Community College Reserve status totaling to a 90.3% paid rate.
- We will be offering new awards to the next cohorts of eligible applicants. New Competitive award offers will be processed next week.
- Over 5,400 offered awardees are in a deferment status and may not be paid this academic year. These students will receive a communication reminding them that their award may be withdrawn if we meet the 22,500 maximum paid awards.
- If you have eligible students on your roster who have not been paid, please make it a priority to pay them as we will be monitoring to ensure that the payments do not exceed the 22,500 authorized awards.

Thank you in advance for your willingness to partner with us in this effort to better serve our Cal Grant students. If you have any questions, please contact Institutional Support.

### Need to contact us?

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