



# CALIFORNIA STUDENT AID COMMISSION

PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION & SERVICES DIVISION

## **MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** University of California Financial Aid Directors  
California State University Financial Aid Directors

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**SUBJECT:** Middle Class Scholarship – Teacher Credential Program (MCS-TCP)

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This memorandum provides information on the Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) eligibility for the Teacher Credential Program (TCP).

### **Eligibility for scholarship award**

In accordance with California Education Code section 70022(a)(2)(H), a student pursuing his or her first undergraduate baccalaureate degree or who has completed a baccalaureate degree and has been admitted to, and is enrolled in, a program of professional teacher preparation at an institution approved by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing is eligible for a Middle Class Scholarship award if all other eligibility requirements are met.

### **Renewal of scholarship award**

California Education Code section 70022.5(c), states that a recipient of a Middle Class Scholarship award who has completed a baccalaureate degree, and who has been admitted to and is enrolled in a program of professional teacher preparation at an institution approved by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, is eligible for, but not entitled to, renewal of the scholarship award for an additional academic year of full-time attendance as long as the student meets the requirements of Section 70022.

Students pursuing an eligible teacher credential program who meet the criteria as specified above and all other eligibility requirements for the Middle Class Scholarship program, are eligible for an additional 100 percent of MCS lifetime eligibility including:

- Students pursuing a subsequent teacher credential if they have not previously received MCS-TCP while obtaining a prior teacher credential.
- Students who are dually enrolled in a master's degree program or who have obtained a master's degree. MCS-TCP funds are subject to the teacher credential units the student is enrolled in.

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