

## Financial Aid Information

### Financial Aid

Financial aid refers to any grant, scholarship, loan or paid employment offered to help a student meet his/her college expenses. These monies can be merit-based and/or need-based. Merit-based financial aid is typically awarded for outstanding academic achievement, special talents such as athletics, leadership potential, or other personal characteristics. Need-based financial aid is awarded on the basis of a student's financial need which is determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application.

### Covered Expenses

Financial aid awards can be used to cover a variety of expenses, depending upon the type of award students receive. In general, financial aid is used to cover all education-related expenses, including tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies, and transportation. It can also cover computer and dependent childcare expenses as well as housing. Different types of awards may cover different types of expenses. For example, Cal Grant A awards provide funds to help pay tuition and fees at qualifying institutions while Cal Grant B awards also cover living expenses, transportation, books, and supplies. Some scholarships specify how the student may spend the funds.

### Types of Aid

- Federal Pell Grants
- Cal Grants (offered by the State of California)
- Full Time Student Success Grant (offered by the State of California)
- The Board of Governor's Fee Waiver (offered by the State of California)
- The Chafee Grant (offered by the State of California to foster youth)
- Work-study Programs
- Scholarships

- Student loans

### Federal Pell Grants

The Pell grant award will be based upon a student's financial need, costs to attend college, and enrollment status.

### Cal Grants

The amount of a Cal Grant varies depending upon what type of Cal Grant award students receive. Cal Grant A recipients currently attending a community college will not receive payment at the community college level. This award may be held in reserve for two years for use when a student transfers to a university. Cal Grant B award recipients may receive up to \$1,656 at a California community college, and Cal Grant C recipients may receive up to \$547 at a California community college.

To be eligible for a **Cal Grant**, students must meet the following **additional requirements**:

- Be an in-state resident or AB 540 eligible
- Complete a GPA verification form (for Cal Grants A&B) by the March 2<sup>nd</sup> or September 2<sup>nd</sup> deadlines.
- Complete the FAFSA.

### Full Time Student Success Grant

This award is for Full Time Cal Grant B recipients. The award amount varies.

### Board of Governor's Fee Waiver (BOGW)

This award waives the enrollment fees charged by a California community college. Students do not actually receive any money from a BOGW. If they paid their tuition before being awarded the BOGW, the student will receive a refund for the amount they paid.



### Citrus College Student Employment Center

The Citrus College Student Employment Center currently has a variety of job announcements and postings. There are on-campus, off-campus, full-time, part-time, permanent and temporary positions available. This service is **FREE** for Citrus College students and alumni.

### Get That Job!

Office of Human Resources, AD 144 \* 626-914-8550 \* [www.citruscollege.edu/hr/ses](http://www.citruscollege.edu/hr/ses)