Investing in Your Future

UC Irvine has two important roles in financing your education: to administer a variety of financial assistance programs, and to provide you with sufficient support to pursue your education.

If you demonstrate the need for financial assistance, you may be eligible for scholarships, grants, loans, and/or work-study. Also, you can be awarded scholarships on the basis of academic excellence.

- **Grants** are awarded on the basis of financial need and do not have to be repaid.
- **Scholarships** are awarded on the basis of academic criteria, or any combination of academics, financial need, leadership positions, campus or community activities, and work experience.
- **Loans** are money that must be repaid over a period of time, usually after you leave school.
- **Work-study** is money that you may earn by working a part-time job.

**UC Irvine is an affordable choice for all families. Here are two reasons why:**

**UC’s Blue and Gold Opportunity Plan**¹ - Covers your educational and student services fees if you are a California resident whose family earns less than $80,000 a year and you qualify for financial aid. Blue+Gold students with sufficient financial need may qualify for additional grant aid to help reduce the cost of attending.

¹You must meet all eligibility requirements and deadlines. The income cutoffs shown here are for 2013-14 and are subject to change for 2014-15.

**Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) program** - Starting in the 2014-15 academic year, the Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) program applies to undergraduate students with family incomes up to $150,000 and who attend a University of California or California State University campus. Scholarship amounts are based on a sliding scale according to your family income and the other types of support you receive. More information is available from [www.csac.ca.gov](http://www.csac.ca.gov).

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**Financial Aid & Scholarships**

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Are You Eligible for Aid?

To receive financial aid you must meet these requirements:
- Apply by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen
- Be registered with Selective Service (if required)
- Attend a participating school
- Be working toward a degree or certificate
- Be making Satisfactory Academic Progress
- Not owe a refund on a federal grant or be in default on a federal educational loan
- Have financial need (except for Federal Unsubsidized Direct loans, PLUS Loans and certain scholarships)

Deadlines

It is very important that you meet all deadlines!

If you miss a deadline, you will only be considered for Federal Pell Grants, Federal Direct Student Loans and Federal Direct Parent Loans.

**MARCH 3**
- Submission deadline for Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- Submission deadline for Cal Grant GPA Verification Form to the California Student Aid Commission.

Please speak with your high school or community college to make sure this is completed by the deadline.

Other Due Dates

In certain cases we will need additional information to complete your financial aid file or to verify the information you supplied on your FAFSA.

We will send you an email with instructions on how to complete the requirement. My Aid, accessed from our financial aid web site, will list the due dates.

You will be given at least two weeks for submission.

Cost of Attending UC Irvine

(2014-15 estimated costs for undergraduate students)

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¹ Tuition and Fees include an estimated $1,495/yr mandatory health insurance fee. You may be able to waive this fee if you can demonstrate coverage.
² Other expenses include books and supplies, personal expenses, and transportation. These may vary per individual student.

Non-residents of California add $22,878 in non-resident tuition and fees.

Costs are subject to change. Please check ofas.uci.edu for updated figures.

Helpful Websites

**fafsa.gov** - Apply for aid.
**pin.ed.gov** - Create a Personal Identification Number (PIN) so you can interact with U.S. Department of Education websites (including electronically signing your FAFSA).
**www.ofas.uci.edu** - Access your UCI Financial Aid information from My Aid. Our site provides all you need to know about UCI financial aid. Use our Net Price Calculator for a personalized estimate of the cost of attendance and financial aid that might be available.
**activate.uci.edu** - Activate your UCI login (UCI Net ID) so you can access on-line services, including My Aid.
**universityofcalifornia.edu/blueandgold/** - The University of California’s website about the Blue and Gold Opportunity Plan.
**calgrants.org** - The website for information about the Cal Grant Programs.
**studentaid.gov** - The U.S. Department of Education’s website for students.

Searching for Scholarships

**University Scholarships** - The university will identify eligible students based on the information provided on the UC Application for Admissions and Scholarships. For a list of university scholarship opportunities, visit www.ofas.uci.edu/Scholarships.

**External Scholarships** - Private agencies and organizations grant many scholarships to students based on academic achievement, artistic talent, intended career field and volunteerism. For a list of external scholarship opportunities, visit the Scholarships Resource Center online database at www.ofas.uci.edu/src.
Financial Aid Tips

For FAFSA
- Apply for a Federal PIN early at pin.ed.gov. You may apply any time.
- File a 2014-15 FAFSA from fafsa.gov before the March 3 deadline.
- If you haven’t filed your taxes by the FAFSA deadline, submit a FAFSA anyway using your estimated income and other tax-related information.
- After you file your taxes, update the FAFSA using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool to retrieve your income information. You’ll need to wait 2 weeks if you filed electronically and 6 weeks if you filed with paper. Using the tool will speed the processing of your financial aid. Instructions at www.ofas.uci.edu/DRT.
- List UC Irvine. The school code for UCI is 001314.
- Include your preferred email address.
- Review your Student Aid Report (SAR) to make sure the information you submitted is correct. If changes are necessary make them from the FAFSA web site as soon as possible.
- Keep a printed confirmation of your submission.

Adjust your email filters and spam blockers to allow emails from finaid@uci.edu.
Submit requested documents from our office by the deadlines specified on My Aid (ofas.uci.edu).
Obtain a Proof of Mailing for all documents you send to UCI.
Print your name and UCI Student ID# on documents you submit.
Check your emails frequently. We will communicate with you through email. It is important that you follow the instructions sent to you.
If your circumstances change or if you need additional help, contact our office immediately.

Scholarship Tips

Start your scholarship search early. Many deadlines are between December and May for funding for the following school year.
Keep a record of your achievements including awards received, nominations, internships, volunteerism, employment, etc.
Beware of scams. You should never have to pay to apply for scholarships or financial aid.

Financial Aid for DREAM Act Students

Students who are not eligible to file a FAFSA and qualify for the AB540 fee exemption can apply for Cal Grants and UC Irvine Grant by completing the California Dream Application available from www.caldreamact.org. DEADLINE: March 3, 2014

Dream Act students may also apply for UC and external scholarships. Visit UC Irvine’s Scholarships page as well as the Scholarships Resource Center External Scholarship Opportunities webpage for more details.

Background: The California Dream Acts – AB130 and AB131 – extend eligibility for certain types of institutional and state aid to students, including undocumented students, who qualify for benefits under another California law – AB540 – which exempts students from paying nonresident supplemental tuition.

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