

ELIGIBILITY

The CSU Nonresident Tuition Exemption is open to CSU students enrolled as undergraduate or graduate students who

MUST MEET THE EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS

Attendance requirement (must meet one)

*A year's equivalence at a California community college is either a minimum of 24 semester units of credit or 36 quarter units. Full-time attendance at a California adult school is a minimum of 420 hours of attendance for each school year.

Graduation/Degree Requirement (must meet one)

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DEADLINES

Students must submit their application for nonresident tuition exemption by the deadline for each semester. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered for that semester. Applications received after the deadline will be considered for the following semester.

Where to submit:

Applications should be submitted to the campus Financial Aid Office. For more information, visit www.csu.edu/financialaid.

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FINANCIAL AID

California Dream Act (California Financial Aid for those Granted AB 540)

Students who are eligible for the California Dream Act (California Financial Aid for those Granted AB 540) should apply for financial aid through the campus Financial Aid Office. For more information, visit www.csu.edu/financialaid.

Contacting your Campus Financial Aid Office

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can a student who has 3 years of attendance at a California school but left California and obtained a high school diploma from another state, take courses to obtain a California high school diploma or equivalent to meet AB540 requirements?

Yes, a student who has 3 years of attendance at a California school but left California and obtained a high school diploma from another state, can take courses to obtain a California high school diploma or equivalent to meet AB540 requirements.

If a student attends a California Community College for 3 years is that attendance alone sufficient to fulfill the attendance requirement for the exemption?

Yes, a student who attends a California Community College for 3 years is that attendance alone sufficient to fulfill the attendance requirement for the exemption.

After enrolling at a CSU should a student take adult school courses to meet exemption attendance requirements in order to qualify for an exemption for the next term of enrollment at a CSU?

Yes, a student who enrolls at a CSU should take adult school courses to meet exemption attendance requirements in order to qualify for an exemption for the next term of enrollment at a CSU.

If I have the AB 540 nonresident status can I apply for financial aid?

Yes, a student who has the AB 540 nonresident status can apply for financial aid.

I have been attending the CSU and didn't know about the AB540 exemption. Can I submit a retroactive request to have my nonresident fees refunded?

Yes, a student who has been attending the CSU and didn't know about the AB540 exemption, can submit a retroactive request to have their nonresident fees refunded.

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Education Code § 68130.5, as amended, commonly known as AB 540
Effective January 1, 2023

INSTRUCTIONS

APPLICATION

1.) Check one box only:

I have a current nonimmigrant visa (not including a T or U visa) as defined by federal law.

Nonimmigrants have been admitted to the U.S. on a temporary visa and include, but are not limited to, foreign students (holding F visas) (holding J visas).

I am a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, DACA recipient, or individual without a current or valid immigration status.

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This includes, among others, U.S. citizens, permanent residents, DACA recipients, and individuals without a current or valid immigration status.

2.) Select all items that apply to you from Columns A and B (must select at least one from each column):

Column A (Attendance Requirement)

Column B (Graduation Requirement)

- I have completed at least 12 semester units of college coursework.
- I have completed at least 12 semester units of college coursework, including at least 6 semester units of college coursework in the last 24 months.
- I have completed at least 12 semester units of college coursework, including at least 6 semester units of college coursework in the last 24 months, and I have completed at least 6 semester units of college coursework in the last 12 months.
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