

Ineligible for Federal Student Aid

(Information for students without a Social Security Number)

You are advised not to submit your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to the Department of Education. Students without a legal presence in the United States are not eligible for Federal or State college financial aid.

If you mail your FAFSA, it could jeopardize your stay in this country. The Federal department cross-references the information contained in the FAFSA with other federal agencies. This process could jeopardize your status in this country.

You are advised to do the following:

Contact the Financial Aid office in the college you are applying to, advise them of your situation and ask them if you can submit your financial information directly to them.

Contact the scholarship you are applying to, advise them of your situation and ask them if you can submit your financial aid information directly to them.

In California, AB540 legislature allows non-documented to pay in-state tuition. To be eligible students must:

- Have attended HS for 3 years or more in California (CA)
- Have graduated from a CA high school with diploma or GED equivalent
- Plan to attend a CA public institution
 - » California Community College (CC)
 - » California State University (CSU)
 - » University of California (UC)

Other Resources:

- Check with colleges and universities directly they may offer aid to Non-documented students.
- May be considered for institutional and private scholarships
- Some financial aid and scholarships for undocumented students
 - <http://finaid.org/otheraid/undocumented.phtml>
 - Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF)
<http://www.maldef.org>
 - Hispanic Scholarship Fund
<http://www.hsf.net/>