

2025-2026 California Dream Act Application

The following information is for students completing the California Dream Act Application. The California Dream Act Application is for AB540 students (Non-US Citizens). If you have question please stop by the college center. Disclaimer: Due to uncertainty with federal aid, US citizens can apply to CADAA, but will not be eligible for federal aid that is offered through FAFSA.

Dream Act Application is how students receive Cal grants, Pell grants, federal loans, merit scholarships and work-study. YOU AND YOUR PARENT DO NOT NEED TO CREATE AN FSAID ACCOUNT.

Step 1: Create Student Account: Go to: https://dream.csac.ca.gov/ You will need

- Personal information: Full name, birthdate, home address, and personal email.
- Parent: Full name, birthdate, home address, personal email, and when they arrived to the U.S.
- You (student) will file 2025-2026 Dream Act Application

| Student Dream Act ID: | | |
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| Username | | |
| Password | | |

Step 2: Documents needed for the 2025-2026 Dream Act Application:

- Parents' 2023 Federal Income Tax Return Form: 1040,1040A or EZ and W-2 form.
- If parent DID NOT FILE, what is the estimated (2023) yearly income \$____
- Student's 2023 Federal Income Tax Return Form and W-2 form if filed.

| Parent/Guardian #1: Last Name & First Initial: | | Parent/Guardian #2 Last Name & First Initial: | |
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| Date of Birth (M/D/Y): | 1 1 | Date of Birth (M/D/Y): | 1 1 |
| Month/Year of Marriage, Separation, or Divorce: | month year | Month/Year of Marriage, Separation or Divorce: | / month year |
| When did your parent arrive to the U.S. | month/day/year | When did your parent arrive to the U.S. | month/day/year |

Parents with special circumstances please make an appointment with College Counselor or Gear Up staff.

Step 3: Go to: https://dream.csac.ca.gov/

Application assistance offered Monday – Friday by appointment 213-760-3563 or Saturdays, Jan. 11 & 25 Feb. 8 & Feb. 22 from 9 am to 2 pm at Robyal LC.