

UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCES: IN-STATE TUITION AND CA DREAM ACT

JURISDICTION	STATE OF CALIFORNIA				
Law or Policy	In-State Tuition (AB 540)	In-State Tuition (AB 2000)	In-State Tuition (SB 68)	CA Dream Act (AB 130)	CA Dream Act (AB 131)
What It Does	Exempts students from out-of-state tuition fees Makes students eligible to apply for the CA Dream Act	Expands AB 540 to exempt students from out-of-state tuition fees Makes students eligible to apply for the CA Dream Act	Expands AB 540/AB 2000 to exempt students from out-of-state tuition fees Makes students eligible to apply for the CA Dream Act	Opens certain scholarships administered by public institutions to AB 540/ AB 2000/ SB 68 students	Opens state-funded grants (including Cal grants, State grants, UC Grants & the CA College Promise Grant) and state programs (EOP & EOPS) to AB 540/ AB 2000/ SB 68 students
What It Does Not Do	Does not change their state residency status.			Does not include eligibility for federal grants or funds Should not be confused with the Federal Dream Act or DACA	
Who Can Apply	Undocumented & DACAmented individuals, T and U visa holders, US citizens, & lawfully present immigrants that meet eligibility criteria.			AB 540/ AB 2000/ SB 68 eligible individuals who are undocumented, DACAmented individuals, T and U Visa holders, US citizens, and lawfully present immigrants that meet eligibility criteria.	
Eligibility Requirements	Student must: • Attend three full years of high school in CA or the equivalent for GED • Graduate from a CA high school, obtain a Certificate of Completion or a GED in CA • Not possess a valid non-immigrant visa (unless a T or a U visa)	Student must: • Attend CA high school or graduate early with the equivalent of three or more years of credits • Have attended CA elementary or secondary school for cumulative total of three or more years • Not possess a valid non-immigrant visa (unless a T or a U visa)	Student must: • Attend three years full-time or the equivalent credits at a CA High School, Adult School, Community College (credit or noncredit), or any combination of the above; OR meet eligibility for AB 2000. **NOTE: Maximum attendance for credit classes at a CCC cannot exceed two years** • Graduate from a CA high school, obtain a GED in CA, attain an Associates degree from a CCC or fulfill their minimum transfer requirements for UC or CSU • Not possess a valid non-immigrant visa (unless a T or U visa)	Student must meet: • AB 540/ AB 2000/ SB 68 eligibility • Individual scholarship requirements	Student must meet: • AB 540/ AB 2000/ SB 68 eligibility • Priority filing deadline income guidelines • GPA & other Cal grant eligibility • Program requirements for EOP or EOPS
	DOES NOT REQUIRE DACA	DOES NOT REQUIRE DACA	DOES NOT REQUIRE DACA	DOES NOT REQUIRE DACA	DOES NOT REQUIRE DACA

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