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Hot Off the Presses

California Community Colleges-

EdSource - [Dozens of California community colleges planning to offer remedial classes in violation of law, report says.](#)

CCC - California Community Colleges Chancellor Eloy Ortiz Oakley to leave post to head equity focused higher education foundation.

California State University-

EdSource - [More CSU sexual harassment and abuse cases made public.](#)

CSU - [An important message from CSU Chancellor Jolene Koester regarding Title IX.](#)

Inside Higher Ed - [Overhauling Mental Health](#)

University of California-

UC - [Launch of the UC Center for Climate, Health, and Equity.](#)

State News-

EdSource - [California Attorney General submits amicus brief supporting race-neutral admission policies.](#)

Inside Higher Ed - [USC, UCLA will move to the Big ten.](#)

Federal News-

CNN - [Biden administration approves student loan forgiveness for another 45,000 public sector workers.](#)

Inside Higher Ed - [Biden's Title IX Overhaul.](#)

California Budget 2022-2023 Higher Education

*REFORM (V) - MAKES CHANGES IN ORDER TO IMPROVE IT
(WEBSTER DICTIONARY).*

If the Higher Education Budget for 2022-2023 could be summarized in one word it would be REFORM. Confined within the Higher Education Section of the Budget are various points of reform centered on improving the lives of students. In this article, we will highlight some of the major investments made by the Legislature to issue in reform at the three higher education institutions and the California Student Aid Commission; however, to read the full scope of the Higher Education Budget see [AB 183](#) or the [Assembly Floor Report](#) beginning on page 67.



California Community Colleges - The budget contained \$5,673,395,000 for community colleges. Included within this allocation were the following investments:

- \$200 million ongoing funding for the Student Success Completion Grant to provide \$1,300 per semester for Cal Grant students taking more than 12 units and \$4,000 for Cal Grant students taking more than 15 units. Awards cover non-tuition costs of college.
- \$25 million in ongoing funding to expand the Promise program to all full-time students regardless of whether they are first-time students.
- \$5 million in one-time funds for the creation of the California Center for Climate Change Education at the West Los Angeles Community College.
- \$64 million one-time funds for the California Community College Equitable Placement and Completion Grant Program to help support students in completing transfer-level math and English courses.

California State University (CSU) - The final budget included \$5,152,120,000 for the CSU. This allocation for the CSU includes a 5% increase in general operations and \$82 million in ongoing funding for 9,434 additional full-time students. Funding for the CSU includes:

- \$8 million one-time funding to create the Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Student Achievement Program.
- \$4 million onetime funding to create the Cybersecurity Regional Alliance and Multitasker Partnership Pilot Program to address the cybersecurity workforce shortage.
- \$10 million to expand the CSU Basic Needs Initiative.
- \$79 million to support a new student center at the Palm Desert Campus of the CSU, San Bernardino.

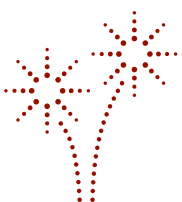
University of California (UC) - Total funding for the UC was \$5,009,749,000 and included a 5% increase in base operations and \$68.8 million ongoing funding to provide enrollment for 5,870 full-time students by 2023-2024 academic year. Additional investments for the UC include:

- \$31 million ongoing funds to enroll 902 new California students at the Berkeley, San Diego, and Los Angeles campuses and reduce nonresident enrollment by the same amount.
- \$4 million ongoing to support and expand the Underground Scholars Program, which support justice-involved students.
- \$22.5 million ongoing to support the Student Academic Preparation and Educational Partnerships program.
- \$1.5 million one-time funds to support UC Subject Matter Project on computer science.

“I am beyond thrilled to see the Cal Grant Equity Framework, as outlined in AB 1746, included in the state budget. For years, I have worked with my colleagues and our diverse coalition of students, educators, labor, and equity advocates to make Debt Free College a reality. With the budget agreement, we can proudly say that our hard work has paid off. Beginning in 2024, California will streamline financial aid, expanding access to student parents, adult learners, and their families.”

- ASM. Medina, Chair of the Higher Education Committee

California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) - Overall CSAC received \$3,054,159,000 in funding. After four years of seeking Cal Grant reform, contained within the budget is the Cal Grant Reform Act. In May 2024, contingent upon funding, the state will eliminate barriers to CalGrant that will allow about 150,000 more students to become eligible for a Cal Grant award, creates the Cal Grant 4 award to cover tuition and fees for student at the UC, CSU, and other institutions, and creates a new Cal Grant 2 award to cover tuition and other non-tuition costs for community college students. Provides \$5.5 million ongoing funding to increase the award amount to \$9,358 for 28,000 Cal Grant students attending an independent, non-profit California college or university. The budget would extend transfer entitlements for community college transfer students who elect to transfer to an independent, non-profit California college or university. Finally, the budget includes \$5 million in one-time funds to support the California Indian Nations College to assist the college in obtaining accreditation.



Happy Fourth of July and Summer Recess!

