# **Community College Counselor Update - February 2025**

#### **Correction!**

The update sent earlier this morning noted the 2025 CSU Virtual Community College Counselor Conference date as Thursday, October 11, 2025. The correct date is **Thursday**, **September 11, 2025**.

## **Admissions**

#### Fall 2025 Admission - Extra time to apply

Several CSU campuses continue to accept transfer applications. Visit our <u>application</u> <u>dates & deadlines page</u> and use the *"Is Your Campus Still Accepting Applications?"* feature to view open campus programs and their deadlines.

#### EVerify for Fall 2025 ADT Applicants- March 14, 2025 Deadline

The deadline for community colleges to submit ADT degree verification on CSU eVerify for fall 2025 applicants is March 14. The site includes applicants who submitted at least one application by February 2. ADT applicants who applied after February 2 are not included in the eVerify process. If verification is requested/needed, please assist applicants with completing the paper verification form which is submitted by the applicant directly to the CSU Admission Office. An overview of the verification process is available in the <u>Cal State Apply Help Center</u> and on the <u>ADT eVerify Information page</u>.

## **Financial Aid**

#### Free Application for Federal Student Aid and California Dream Act Application

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form and California Dream Act Application (CADAA) are open.

In response to the wildfires and state of emergency declaration in January, the <u>California Student Aid Commission (CSAC)</u> extended the state financial aid application priority filing deadline for all high schools and colleges within the Los Angeles and Ventura Counties to **April 2, 2025**. The deadline applies to students who reside in these counties based on the address reported in the FAFSA or CADAA. <u>View the official CSAC</u> <u>memo</u> for more information and support.

The current state deadline to file these applications for students outside those counties is **March 3**, **2025**, however, the CSU encourages students to submit earlier.

#### **California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) Resources**

The California Student Aid Commission has <u>various resources</u> available to students, families and educators in effort to make sure seniors are all in and ready for FAFSA/CA

FAFSA FAQ

#### **Mixed-Status Families**

Mixed status families, students with a spouse or parent(s) that lack a Social Security number, are feeling uncertain and vulnerable during this time.

Mixed status family students that are hesitant to fill out the FAFSA, at this time, can complete the California Dream Act Application (CADAA). This will ensure they are able to be evaluated for state aid. If they wish to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) later, they can do so.

CSAC provided <u>this memo</u> and published a website with information for 2025-26 financial aid for mixed status families: <u>www.csac.ca.gov/cadaa-msf</u>.

#### **Undocumented Students**

The California Student Aid Commission now has a website with financial aid information and resources for undocumented students in California. Visit <u>www.csac.ca.gov/undocumented</u>.

<u>Social media resources</u> are also available to help partners promote the availability of the California Dream Act Application (CADAA) to undocumented students.

#### "Cash for College" Workshops for Students & Families

CSAC is hosting free Cash for College virtual workshops throughout the application period to help students and families connect with information about applying for financial aid. These workshops review frequently asked questions and go over the FAFSA and California Dream Act Application. Visit <u>www.csac.ca.gov/c4c</u> to register.

#### Training Opportunities

CSAC regularly hosts "Train the Trainer" workshops to equip and allow partners to host Cash for College workshops for their community. Attendees joining a *Train The Trainer* workshop can become a Cash for College Community Champion and receive a certificate from CSAC. <u>View available workshop dates and register</u>.

## **Events**

## 2025 CSU Counselor Conference

Save the date for the 2025 CSU Virtual Community College Counselor Conference this fall and stay tuned for registration details in future counselor updates.

#### Virtual

Thursday, September 11

### 2025 CSU College Nights

Save the dates for the 2025 CSU College Nights this fall. Lookout for more details in the future.

#### **Northern California**

Tuesday, September 16 - Santa Clara Thursday, September 18 - Sacramento area

#### Southern California

Thursday, September 25 - Riverside Monday, September 29 - Pasadena

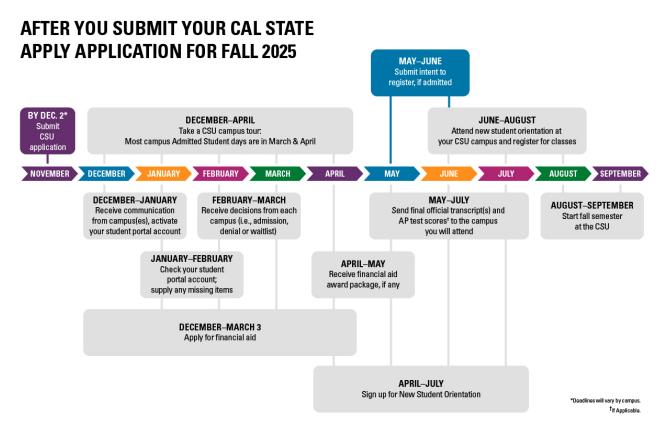
### **Central Valley**

The California State University and its universities will attend the <u>Fresno Area College</u> <u>Night</u> on Wednesday, September 10, 2025.

## **Reminders and Clarifications**

#### Changes or updates to a submitted application

When a student submits their first application to any campus, regardless of the priority deadline, they will not be able to make any changes to any subsequent application. If students need to report any corrections or updates, please have them <u>contact the universities</u> they applied to directly.



Share <u>this article</u> with your students who already submitted their applications and are wondering what to expect in the near future.

# **CSU News**

### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

For Black History Month, we acknowledge the milestones and exceptional people who have helped to make the California State University what it is today: a place of academic rigor, exceptional achievement and pioneering inclusiveness.

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#### CSU AI-EMPOWERED

CSU Announces Landmark Initiative to Become Nation's First and Largest AI-Empowered University System. AI tools and training will be available to all 460,000 students and 63,000 faculty and staff.

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#### CONSORTIUM FOR CLIMATE ADAPTATION

The California State University (CSU) has announced the launch of the **CSU Consortium on Climate Adaptation** that unites the 23 universities to advance climate literacy and research across the system.



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