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CAL STATE LA

Roadmap for

FINANCIAL AID

1 Complete the FAFSA application beginning October 1st

- Complete the FAFSA online application at studentaid.gov.

- Cal State LA will receive your FAFSA within 7-10 business days.
- Utilize the IRS Data Retrieval Tool to decrease the processing time.
- Report the 2021 tax year
- Cal State LA school code: **001140**.
- March 2nd is the priority deadline to submit the FAFSA to be eligible for all available aid.
- Apply early to ensure that your financial aid is processed before you need to pay for class registration.

APPLY

2 Complete the admissions process at Cal State LA

- Apply to Cal State LA at https://www2.calstate.edu/apply
- Provide your social security number and the exact spelling of your name as it appears on your social security card
- Include your correct date of birth to ensure that admissions and financial aid files are linked and complete for processing.
- To be eligible for financial aid, you must be admitted to an approved program (degree or certificate) at Cal State LA.

SCHOLARSHIPS

3 Apply for the Cal State LA General Scholarship

- **Complete the FAFSA application first.**
- **Then, apply to the General Scholarship between March 4 and April 12:**
  http://www.calstatela.edu/financialaid/scholarships

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4 Check your financial aid status in *GET* (Golden Eagle Territory) Student Center

- Include your correct date of birth to ensure that admissions and financial aid files are linked and complete for processing.
- Review your ***GET*** "To-Do-Lists" and any communications received and respond in a timely manner.
  - ***GET*** Login
    - https://cmsweb.calstatela.edu/psp/HLAPRD/?cmd=login
- Once documents are submitted to Tom Lau (Financial Aid Advisor), processing time is approximately 7-10 business days.

GET
GOLDEN EAGLE TERRITORY



5 Financial Aid Award Notification

- View your award on the GET Student Center by:
  - Selecting "Finances" and clicking on the "View Financial Aid" link
  - Clicking on "Aid Year" to view your award
- Financial aid awards are initially based on full time enrollment (12 or more units).
  - Award proration for Undergraduates enrolled in less than a full-time schedule are:
    - 12 or more = 100%
    - 9-11 units = 75%
    - 6-8 units = 50%
    - 1-5 units = 25%

6 Federal Direct Subsidized/ Unsubsidized Loans

- To be eligible, students must:
  - Be enrolled in a minimum of 6 units or more each semester
- **PLEASE NOTE:** Additional steps are required to receive **Federal Direct Student Loans**. Learn more at: studentaid.gov
  - Complete the Loan Counseling
  - Complete the MPN (Master Promissory Note)
- For more information: http://www.calstatela.edu/financialaid/loans

LOANS
SUBSIDIZED/UNSUBSIDIZED

DISBURSEMENT

7 Disbursement Information

- Disbursements are scheduled approximately 10 days prior to the start of classes
  - Disbursements occur weekly once the semester begins
  - The Disbursement Office prepares and issues checks for the following:
    - Financial Aid Grants/Direct Loans
    - Scholarships
    - Alternative Loans/Parent PLUS Loans
    - ASI Grant-In-Aid/Athletic Grant-In-Aid
    - Off Campus Work Study
    - Tuition Refunds
    - 30 Day Loans
- Disbursement Schedule
  - www.calstatela.edu/financialaid/disbursement-information
  - Enroll in Eagle Express Direct Deposit



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