**Who is Eligible?**

- Citizens
- Legal Permanent Residents
- Eligible Non-Citizens (per FAFSA)
- T visa holders

**Who is NOT Eligible?**

- Any other immigration status that is not listed above including:
  - DACAmented students
  - Undocumented individuals

**Requirements for Financial Aid to Be Awarded**

- Department of Homeland Security and Social Security Administration crosscheck student name, social security number, and birthdate to verify that all FAFSA eligibility requirements are met
- All other eligibility for federal and state financial aid is met

**Requirements for Financial Aid to Be Released to Pay Outstanding Balances**

- Admission into an approved degree or certificate program
- Minimum Unit requirements
- Satisfactory Academic Progress

**What Happens If You Fill out the Wrong Application?**

A hold from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will prevent all financial aid from being awarded. Proof of citizenship or lawful presence per FAFSA will be required to release the hold.

**How to Release the HOLD and Receive Your Financial Aid**

Contact the college or university you plan to attend and confirm which application you should be using. If the wrong application was submitted, be sure to complete the correct application. Then work with CSAC to complete the Application Conversion Form. After that, show a copy of this form to your financial aid counselor so they can: 1) Delete the incorrect application 2) Bring in the correct application and 3) Create a financial aid award. Based on your status, this will include federal or state financial aid or both. Once the proper application has been processed, you should be able to receive all financial aid for which you are eligible. For more information, contact CSAC at 1-888-294-7268.

*Remember: The California Student Aid Commission honors the priority deadline of the first application submitted, even if it's the incorrect application.*