

**Waivers of Nonresident Fees.** Upon written waiver by the Dean of Student Affairs or the Director of Admissions and Records, children or spouses of California State University full-time employees, who are not yet legal residents of California, may be exempted from the nonresident fee. Also, with verification by the dean of the School of Education and Human Development, certificated California school district employees who are not yet legal residents of California may be exempted from the nonresident fee, if they are provisionally credentialed and working toward regular credentials, completing postponed requirements, or completing the fifth year required under the Teacher Preparation and Licensing Law of 1970 (Ryan Act).

**Division of Graduate Studies Student Research and Travel Grants.** Funds are available each semester on a competitive basis to students in the form of grants for research associated with a thesis or project. Travel grants are available to graduate students who have had a paper accepted to be read at a major, professional conference. For further information, contact the Division of Graduate Studies, (209) 294-2448.

### Program Specifications

**Need-based financial aid programs.** Students in receipt of funding through the following federal and state programs must be making satisfactory progress as defined by statute. Failure to comply with these regulations may jeopardize receipt of student aid funds.

**Perkins Loan (Formerly National Direct Student Loan).** Authorized by the Higher Education Act, this program provides a limited amount of low-interest loans to students who

demonstrate an exceptional financial need. Currently students may borrow \$9,000 during the course of their undergraduate degree. Graduate students may borrow an additional \$9,000. New borrowers begin repayment nine months after they graduate, leave school, or cease attending at least half-time. (Students who received funding under the National Direct Student Loan Program have a six-month grace period.) A repayment period of 10 years has been established by the federal government. The Higher Education Act also authorized certain conditions under which part or all of the loan may be cancelled. Details are available in the federal government publication, *The Student Guide to Five Federal Financial Aid Programs*, which is available in the Financial Aid Office.

**Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG).** SEOG is a grant program and, thus, does not require repayment. Awards are restricted to those undergraduates who demonstrate the greatest need according to the formula mandated by the federal government. Funding for the program is limited to the allocation received from the federal government. At CSU, Fresno, an SEOG annual award seldom exceeds \$800.

**College Work-Study (CWS).** The College Work-Study Program is a federally-funded, campus-based employment program. The same eligibility requirements that govern the Perkins Loan and the SEOG apply to College Work-Study. Both undergraduates and graduate students are eligible to participate. At CSU, Fresno, students receiving CWS awards are placed in jobs on campus and with selected off-campus agencies. CWS recipients may work up to 20 hours per week on a job.

