

BASIC EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY GRANT

The Basic Education Opportunity Grant Program, more commonly known as Basic Grants, is a new program of student financial aid which was authorized by Title IV, Part A, of the Education Amendments of 1972. This program provides for grants of \$1,400 less the expected family contribution for all eligible students to assist them in meeting educational costs. To be eligible for the Basic Education Opportunity Grant, the following criteria must be met: (1) an undergraduate student for the period for which application is made; (2) attendance on at least a half-time basis (6 or more credit hours per term); (3) United States citizenship or residence in the United States, for other than a temporary basis, and intention to become a resident. Program regulations change from year to year. Check with the Financial Aids Office for the regulations now in effect. Students may apply by filling out the CSS "Financial Aid Form" and checking #83, #84. Forms are available at high schools, community colleges and CSUF Financial Aids Office.

FULL-TIME/PART-TIME STUDENTS

Students taking at least 75% of the normal academic load are considered full-time students. Since the normal academic load is 15 semester hours, students carrying 12 or more semester hours are full-time students. Graduate level courses are weighted for graduate students. Each graduate unit attempted by a graduate student is considered as 1.5 units.

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| Full-time | 12 or more units |
| Three-quarter time | 9 to 11½ |
| Half-time | 6 to 8½ |

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS (BIA) GRANTS

If you are at least one-fourth American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut, as recognized by a tribal group served by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, you may apply for a BIA grant. The amount is based on financial need and availability of funds from your area agency. You must first submit an application for financial aid and supportive documents by the deadlines on page 1, then make an appointment with a Financial Aids counselor to complete the BIA application. The Financial Aids Office has a brochure describing this process in detail, available upon request.

CALIFORNIA STATE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GRANT PROGRAM (State EOP)

Educational Opportunity Program Grants are provided by the State of California for students admitted to one of the California State Universities and Colleges under the Educational Opportunity Program. Eligibility for this grant is determined by the same criteria as federal financial aid programs. Admission to the University through the EOP does not automatically mean that the student will be awarded a State EOP Grant.

Grants provide aid to undergraduate students who, for lack of such assistance, would be unable to enter or remain in an institution of higher education. Funds are limited and are awarded to EOP students who come from low income families and demonstrate financial aid eligibility. EOP grants range from \$200 to \$1,000 for the academic year.