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## Middle Class Scholarship

The Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) provides state funding to eligible undergraduate and credential students. Students may be eligible if their family income is \$226,000 or less AND their family assets are \$226,000 or less. **MCS is tied to your enrollment at University Census and is typically awarded mid-semester.**

### **Chico State students must meet the following eligibility requirements:**

- Be a California resident
- Be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident or have AB 540 student status
- Meet income and need based requirements
- Must be enrolled in a minimum of 6 units
- Limited to first undergraduate and teaching credential programs
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress
- Not be in default on a student loan
- Must not be incarcerated

### **Application Process:**

- Complete a 2024-2025 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) ([studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa](http://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa)) online
- Or complete a California Dream Act Application (CADAA) ([dream.csac.ca.gov/](http://dream.csac.ca.gov/)). Use the CADAA application if you do not have a Social Security Number (SSN) or if you have Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).

**Deadline to apply for 2024-2025 Middle Class Scholarship:** April 2, 2024

Note: After next year be sure to file your FAFSA or CADAA by March 2, which is the usual deadline.

### **Awards:**

- Students whose families have income of up to \$226,000 per year and have assets of \$226,000 or less may be eligible for a Middle Class Scholarship.
- Middle Class Scholarships are not set amounts and may vary by student eligibility. Eligibility is determined after you are awarded any federal Pell Grant, Cal Grant, State University Grant, Vocational Rehab, Veterans fee payments, institutional need-based grants, scholarships, and/or fee waivers for which you are eligible.
- The final award will be based on the total number of students eligible for MCS statewide and the funding allocated by the state budget.
- If you are selected to receive a Middle Class Scholarship you will be notified by the California Student Aid Commission.

For additional information about this scholarship visit the California Student Aid Commission's website ([csac.ca.gov/middle-class-scholarship](http://csac.ca.gov/middle-class-scholarship)) or contact the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) at 888-224-7268.