Travel Budget Adjustment – Exceptional Circumstances Appeal

In some cases, credential students traveling to placements out of town may benefit by submitting a travel budget adjustment appeal. A travel budget adjustment appeal allows the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office to consider travel expenses that exceed the standard travel allowance within the Estimated Cost of Attendance. If a student's travel expenses exceed the standard travel allowance then, **should it benefit the student**, our office can increase the students Cost of Attendance/Budget.

In most cases, a travel budget adjustment will *only* result in the student receiving any *additional loan eligibility* that they may have for the academic year. If you have not accepted your loan offer, have no remaining academic year loan eligibility, or do not wish to receive a loan, then in most cases, a travel budget adjustment will not benefit you. In certain instances, when a student is receiving a large stipend or scholarship a travel budget adjustment may result in additional aid other than loans.

Will a travel budget adjustment benefit me?

- Are you fully awarded with financial aid up to the cost of attendance?
 - The 2018/2019 Estimated Cost of Attendance/Budget for credential students who have accepted loans is \$25,778. If your total financial aid award is less than this amount, a travel budget adjustment will not result in any additional aid.
 - o If your financial aid award matches the Estimated Cost of Attendance, then a travel budget adjustment appeal may allow our office to offer you additional aid (again, typically loans) that you have eligibility for. The Travel Budget Adjustment form will be available on 8/1/18 and can be found online here:

 http://www.csuchico.edu/fa/forms/printable.shtml

If you have any questions regarding a travel budget adjustment, please contact the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office at 530-898-6451.