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WELCOME TO FALL 2021 SEMESTER

Director of Financial Aid

By Lindy Fong

Education is a wonderful opportunity to improve your life through learning and an excellent way to realize your career goals. The Financial Aid and Scholarship Office can help you reach your educational goals by assisting you in applying for the fee waiver, grants, scholarships, work-study, and loans. We are here to help you achieve your dreams.

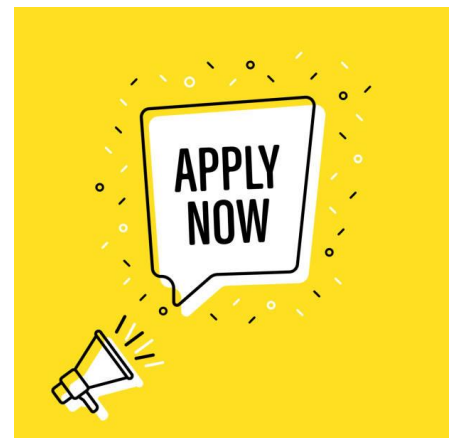
CONNECT WITH A FINANCIAL AID OFFICE STAFF LIVE!

Our Services are [available online](#), through Zoom and Live Chat where you can receive help with FAFSA/Dream Act application help, Bank Mobile setup assistance, document upload assistance, financial aid status and file completion, disbursement inquiries, and more.



MOBILE FINANCIAL AID

East Los Angeles College offers a mobile, personalized process that makes everything about navigating financial aid easier. At elac.verifymyfafsa.com you can complete pending financial aid tasks online, with secure document upload from any device, and e-sign capabilities. After submitting your FAFSA, or CA Dream Act Application create an account to enjoy the benefits. For Dream Act applicants, please use your Dream Act ID number (000 number) assigned instead of SSN.



FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION

If you need financial assistance to pay for college, don't miss out! Students attending East Los Angeles College during summer 2022 through Spring 2023, should submit the 2022-2023 FAFSA with the ELAC school code **001222**, and ensure their social security number is on file with the Office of Admissions and Records. If you have met the AB540 eligibility criteria with the Office of Admissions and Records, submit the 2022-2023 California Dream Act Application (CADAA) and include the ELAC school code **02226000**.

Still haven't submitted your application for 2021- 2022? It's not too late! Students who were enrolled between summer 2021 and spring 2022 should submit the 2021-2022 FAFSA or CADAA as soon as possible. You may be eligible for the California College Promise Grant (CCPG) tuition fee waiver and additional financial aid.

2022-2023 CAL GRANT PRIORITY DEADLINE

March 2 is a very important date. It is the Cal Grant application deadline for High School Entitlement Award. For many universities or community colleges, this date is also mark as their priority funding for their limited institution financial aid funds. It is highly recommended that you complete your financial aid application as early as possible to allow you to qualify for as much funding as possible. Check with the college that you are applying for their priority application deadline.

CADAA FAQ'S

There are common misconceptions about the CA Dream Act application which may prevent undocumented students from taking advantage of many available financial aid opportunities. To assist students in making the best decisions to fund their education, CSAC has provided a resource that discusses the most frequently asked questions (FAQ'S) from students and parents, and offers clear, reliable answers.

As an undocumented student, if you have ever wondered what types of financial aid you are eligible for, is it safe to fill out the CADAA, what application do you submit if you have a special designation social security card, or if your parent's citizenship status affects your Dream Act eligibility, you are not alone. For answers to these questions, and many more, visit [CA Dream Act Application FAQ's for Students and Parents](#).



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CHAFEE GRANT

The Chafee Grant provides California foster youth up to \$5,000 per year at an eligible California or out of state college. Student must be a current or former foster youth who was a ward of the court, living in foster care, for at least one day between the ages of 16 and 18, have not reached age 26 as of July 1 of the award year, and have not participated in the program for more than 5 years (whether or not consecutive). Read more at [Chafee Grant](#) for Foster Youth.

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS APPRECIATION

“I am appreciative for your kind gift while I continue my A.A degree in Mathematics at ELAC. Because of scholarship, I was able to pay my internet bills for months and enhance my online learning experience. As a result, I successfully transferred to the College of Engineering of Cal Poly, Pomona in the Fall 2021.” *Khac Le*

“This definitely is a big encouragement for me. In March of this year, I just got accepted from Cal Poly Pomona, so this money will use to pay my tuition or buying design material after I transfer. Thank you very much choose me, and I will try my best to become a good architect with this honor.” *Siqi Liu*

“Navigating finances and college can be difficult, especially during a pandemic. Your donation will greatly help me further pursue a great education. After ELAC, I hope to attend a four-year university to continue my college education as an economics major. I look forward to, one day, using my education to empower those around me, just as you have”. *Polly Ren*

“My inspiration to pursue medical school is my family, especially my grandfather who is a doctor. As a first-generation college student, my parents immigrated to the United States to give me a better life. My grandfather has dedicated his life to give hope, to help, and to heal others. His legacy is one of many sacrifices that many families have made, and I only hope that I can fulfill my dream of becoming a physician.” *Lisa Duong*

“Receiving this scholarship motivated me to surpass my goal of one degree and achieve so much more. East Los Angeles College not only provided with the knowledge and education but made me grow as an individual. I truly look forward to being able to give back to the community I grew up in and where I attended school. I thank you for your confidence and willingness to help me achieve my goals.” *Lorena Gonzalez*

“Thank you for giving me this opportunity to keep my eyes on the big picture which is finishing college. I was ready to give up during these hard times. You gave me hope that I can still keep going and chasing my dream.” *Ashley J Coronado*

CASH4COLLEGE

Students can attend the [Cash4College](#) event and complete the application process so they can access financial aid for higher education and career/technical training beyond high school. Come to the in-person event on **Saturday, October 23, 2021** at the E7-Technology Building. Workshops will be offered every hour on the hour from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.



FINANCIAL AID VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

The [live zoom workshops](#) will help students gain awareness about financial aid applications, eligibility, deadlines, and types of aid. Join us on Zoom. Meeting ID 937 2121 8250

Date	Title	Time
Monday, October 25, 2021	FAFSA Workshop	3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Thursday, October 28, 2021	FAFSA Workshop	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
Monday, November 01, 2021	FAFSA Workshop	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
Thursday, November 04, 2021	Dream Act Workshop	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
Wednesday, November 10, 2021	FA Transfer Workshop	3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Friday, November 12, 2021	Chafee Workshop	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
Monday, November 15, 2021	FAFSA Workshop	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
Thursday, November 18, 2021	FAFSA Workshop	3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Monday, November 22, 2021	Dream Act Workshop	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

FINANCIAL WELLNESS PROGRAM

Financial Fitness is essential for everyone. The live zoom workshops are designed to help you understand and improve your personal finances. Join us on Zoom. Meeting ID 962 7894 6908

Date	Workshop	Time
Thursday, October 21, 2021	Avoiding Pitfalls	3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Wednesday, October 27, 2021	Budgeting and organizing	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
Thursday, October 28, 2021	Avoiding Pitfalls	10:00 am to 11:00 am
Wednesday, November 03, 2021	Introduction to Financial Literacy	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
Thursday, November 04, 2021	Budgeting and organizing	3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Monday, November 08, 2021	Avoiding Pitfalls	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
Monday, November 15, 2021	Understanding Insurance	3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Tuesday, November 16, 2021	Introduction to Financial Literacy	11:00 am to 12:00 pm

VIRTUAL PATHWAY FOR SUCCESS WORKSHOPS

The [live virtual workshops](#) are designed to meet the financial aid Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) disqualification petition requirement, Gain a better understanding of the financial aid SAP policy, petition process, and federal aid regulations that affect your eligibility.

DATE	TIME
Wednesday, October 20, 2021	3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Thursday, October 21, 2021	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
Tuesday, October 26, 2021	12:00 pm to 1:00pm
Monday, November 01, 2021	3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Tuesday, November 02, 2021	11:00 am to 12:00 pm
Monday, November 08, 2021	3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Tuesday, November 09, 2021	2:00 pm to 3:00 pm
Wednesday, November 17, 2021	3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Friday, November 19, 2021	10:30 am to 11:30 am

CONTACT US

Office/In-person hours:

Monday to Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.*

*Saturday schedule is subjected to change based on staffing resources and will be closed on holiday weekend.

Live Chat:

<http://www.elac.edu/Student-Services/Financial-Aid/Live-Chat-With-Our-Staff>

Monday to Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Zoom Lab:

<https://laccd.zoom.us/j/94275161983>

Monday to Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Phone:

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