



UNDOCUMENTED
STUDENT
PROGRAM



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Financial Aid

Includes:

- Paying for UC Berkeley graphic
- Emergency Grant application

Financial Aid

Finances are often the biggest barrier for undocumented students to complete a university degree. Since they are not eligible for most conventional financial aid options, it's necessary to develop cost-saving measures and targeted funds, as well as to help undocumented students access the resources that are available.

There's a wide gap to bridge

The costs for higher education greatly exceed the financial capacities of many undocumented students. Add to this the fact that undocumented students do not qualify for federally-sponsored financial aid programs, and many do not qualify for in-state tuition, institutional scholarships, or student loans.

Work Study for undocumented students

Academic UC Berkeley offers Work-Study assistance of up to \$4,000 to undocumented students who have obtained status under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. The program enables DACAmented students to obtain quality jobs on campus to cover some of their major expenses. Work-Study jobs ensure they won't risk exploitation or face undue challenges. As well, Work-Study funds put the financial package for undocumented students on par with that of other UC Berkeley students.

The UC Berkeley Financial Aid Office opened the Work-Study benefit for undocumented students using state dollars rather than relying on federal money.

Emergency Grants meet basic needs

The USP offers Emergency Grants of up to \$500. These grants help ensure that students' basic needs are met so they can concentrate on their education.

Emergency Grants are available to students who

1. Are not receiving federal Financial Aid and loans
2. Are Dream Aid recipients
3. Are undocumented

The USP offers two types of grants of up to \$500 each. Students can apply for both, up to a combined total of \$1,000. The first is a general emergency grant for unforeseen emergencies. The second is for extenuating housing-related costs, such as security deposits or temporary/transitional housing between semesters or during the summer months.

The most common uses of these grants were housing and medical needs. Students can receive one of each type of Emergency Grant one time per academic year.

Spring 2016 Emergency Grant Application

The Undocumented Student Program (USP) at UC Berkeley is pleased to provide support to students who face extenuating financial challenges through the General Emergency Grant and the Emergency Housing Grant fund.

Note: These grants are for EMERGENCIES ONLY as outlined below. Each grant is only up to \$500.

1) The General Emergency Grant is designed to provide financial assistance to students with the following extenuating expenses: medical services, dental services, ophthalmological services, graduate school applications, and other emergency expenses as determined by the grant committee.

2) The Housing Emergency Grant is specifically designed to assist students with extenuating room and board expenses (i.e first and last months rent, transitional housing, etc).

ELIGIBILITY:

In order to be eligible for either emergency grant(s) students must meet all of the following criteria:

- 1) Must be a current UCB student enrolled in a minimum of 12 units or an approved reduced study load
- 2) Must be low-income as defined by financial aid guidelines
- 3) Must not be eligible for federal financial aid (pell grant, federal loans, etc)

Note: Financial Aid packages will be considered for eligibility.

APPLICATION

Please fill out all required information listed below. In addition, completed applications MUST include appropriate receipts and proof of need (i.e. lease contract, statements, bills) and must be either dropped off to the Dreamers Resource Center in 119 Cesar Chavez OR scanned and emailed to liglesias@berkeley.edu in order for the application to be processed. Students may receive only one of each emergency grant per academic year.

After you have submitted your application, Lili might contact you for more information or to schedule a meeting with her to discuss your application further.

For the Spring 2016 term, applications will be accepted and reviewed beginning Tuesday, March 8th, 2016. These grants are on a first-come-first-serve basis and

will be available until funds are exhausted.

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

Students must meet the following deadlines for submitting the grant application:

Spring term May 4, 2016 11:59 pm (unless funds exhaust prior to this date).

*Please Note: Emergency grants will be credited through Campus Accounts Receivable System (CARS). If there is any outstanding balance (i.e., library fines, locker fees, housing, etc.) on the CARS account, the grant cannot be issued until outstanding balance is covered.

If you have any questions concerning the Emergency Grant, please feel free to call (510) 643-5740, visit us at the Dreamers Resource Center in 119 Cesar Chavez, or e-mail Lili at liglesias@berkeley.edu.

*Required

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Full Name *

Student ID # *

Preferred Phone Number *

Preferred Email Address *

Mailing Address *

Expected Graduation Date (Semester/Year) *

What is your academic standing? *

- ☐ 1st year
- ☐ 2nd year
- ☐ 3rd year (and/or transfer)
- ☐ 4th year and above

What college are you currently enrolled in? *

- ☐ College of Chemistry
- ☐ College of Engineering
- ☐ College of Environmental Design
- ☐ College of Letters & Science
- ☐ College of Natural Resources
- ☐ Haas School of Business

Please select which Emergency Grant you are applying for: *

Note: You are able to apply for both grants, in separate applications in the same semester. However, you can only receive each grant one time in an academic year.

- ☐ General Emergency Grant
- ☐ Emergency Housing Grant

Total Amount Requested

Please remember to submit necessary receipts or verification of your expenses to the Dreamers Resource Center in 119 Cesar Chavez or scan and email them to liglesias@berkeley.edu.

Please explain in detail any extenuating financial circumstances and reasons for applying for the GENERAL EMERGENCY GRANT

Please limit response to 300 words or less.

Please explain in detail any extenuating financial circumstances and reasons for are applying for the EMERGENCY HOUSING GRANT

Please limit response to 300 words or less.

I herby certify that this information is true and understand that any false statements on my part may result in the forfeiture of any benefits associated with the emergency grant program. Students approved of the grant will be notified via email of their grant status. *

☐ I understand and agree to the above terms.

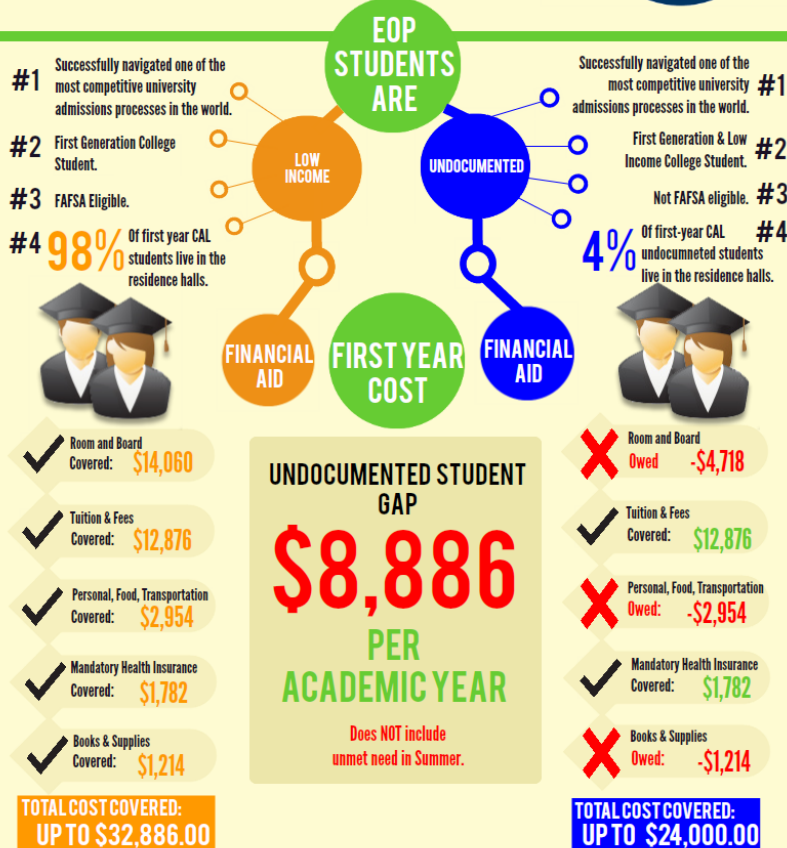
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The immigration status of our undocumented students disqualifies them from the following support:



FEDERAL GRANTS



WORK STUDY



FEDERAL LOANS



BUDGET APPEALABLE ITEMS



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ALWAYS REMEMBER, YOU HAVE WITHIN YOU
THE STRENGTH, THE PATIENCE, AND THE PASSION,
TO REACH FOR THE STARS AND CHANGE THE WORLD.
-HARRIET TUBMAN





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