

# SPRING 2020 Financial Aid Updates

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A review of your Fall 2019 grades will be conducted prior to disbursing Spring 2020 financial aid awards to determine that you are meeting our Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards.

As a financial aid recipient, you are expected to pass all of your classes and maintain the required CSUDH grade point average to remain eligible for financial aid.

Students that do not meet our SAP standards will be notified on their campus email account.

For more information see [SAP Policy](#)

The Financial Aid Office will begin crediting Spring 2020 financial aid payments to student CSUDH accounts the week before classes begin.

[Student Financial Services](#) will begin to process financial aid refunds for eligible students prior to the first day of classes.



## Financial Aid Refunds

Classes begin on Tuesday, January 21, 2020. The refund will be the balance after payment of any outstanding University obligations (e.g., tuition fees, housing charges, etc).

For Example:

Description	Amount
Financial aid allocation for SPRING 2020	\$5,919
SPRING 2020 Tuition Fees Undergraduate	\$3,470
Net Difference	\$2,449

- ✚ Student is issued a financial aid refund of \$2,449 via check or Direct Deposit (if enrolled).

## Drops, Withdrawals, and Unit Enrollment

Refunds will continue to be processed each week during the semester as students continue to add and/or drop units.

If you receive a refund and then decide to withdraw from the University or drop units, you will be required to **repay** all or part of the financial aid received.

For information on procedures to drop a course or to withdraw from the University, contact the Registration Help Line at (310) 243-3645.

### PLEASE NOTE:

- Financial aid eligibility is based on full-time enrollment (12 units undergraduate & credential students and 8 units (500 series) for master students).
- If you enroll less than full-time your financial aid may be adjusted.
- Waitlist units do not count for financial aid purposes.

## About Adding Classes

**Federal Pell Grant** and **Cal Grant** funds are paid based on your enrollment as of the “**Student Census**” date for the semester.

The **Spring 2020** Student Census Date is **2/14/2020** per the [2019-2020 Academic Calendar](#). Be sure to have your registration activity completed by this date.

Payment of Funds	
12 or more units (full-time)	100%
9 – 11 units (3/4-time)	75%
6 – 8 units (part-time)	50%

If you add units after the Census Date has passed, you will not receive any additional payment of funds.

## 14-Day Borrower Right to Cancel

If you have decided to borrow a Federal Direct Loan, you have the right to cancel all or a portion of your loan.

To do so, you must submit a signed request informing the Financial Aid Office within **14-days of disbursement** so that the funds may be returned.

## Spring 2020 Workshops

### Financial Wellness:

How healthy are your finances and money management habits? Consider attending our workshops on: Credit Basics, budgeting, saving, and how to avoid scams and identity theft.

### FAFSA & CA Dream Act Application Help Sessions:

Get help completing your 2020-2021 application. The March 2<sup>nd</sup> priority funding consideration deadline is quickly approaching.

For workshop dates, times, and room locations visit [Important Announcements](#) or CSUDH Toro Links.

### Spring Intersession 2020

Classes taken through Spring Intersession will be included in the total number of units for the Spring 2020 semester as long as enrollment occurred before the **Student Census Date of February 14, 2020.**

For more information visit [CEIE Spring Intersession](#).

### Summer 2020

If you are planning to attend Summer Session 2020 and would like to be considered for summer aid, please complete and submit a **Summer 2020 Request Form**.

The printable form will be available on our website **mid-March**.

Submit your form in-person to the Financial Aid Office (WH B-250) so that we may determine your summer eligibility. For more information on summer financial aid, please visit our website and select [Summer Financial Aid](#).

### Financial Aid TV

Got questions and want quick answers? If yes, you can view short, informative videos available through [FATV!](#)

Categories of topics include:

- Financial aid process
- Types of aid
- Personal finance



### 2020-2021 Financial Aid Applications

Don't wait until the March 2 priority deadline to file your 2020-2021 FAFSA or CA Dream Act Application.

Visit [Studentaid.ed.gov](http://Studentaid.ed.gov) or [dream.csac.ca.gov](http://dream.csac.ca.gov).

### FAFSA Mobile App

Use [myStudentAid](#) mobile app to complete your **2020-2021** FAFSA



For FAFSA filers, use the **IRS Data Retrieval Tool** using **2018** tax information to simplify your application process.

### Document Submission Deadline

If additional documents are needed to determine your financial aid eligibility, the documents will be listed on your **"To Do List."**

- Monitor your Toro Mail for deadline information
- Only students that meet **all** financial aid deadlines will have their registration fees deferred
- Students not meeting the deadlines will be required to pay their registration fees from their own resources by the payment deadline

### Installment Payment Plans

The University offers an Installment Payment Plan to assist students with paying their registration fees.

Information on the Spring 2020 Installment Plan can be found at [Spring 2020 Class Schedule – FEES \(SP20\)](#).

### About the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT):

For FAFSA filers, to reduce possible mistakes and streamline the financial aid application process, you and your parents (if required) may be eligible to use the **IRS Data Retrieval Tool**.

The IRS DRT can automatically retrieve your federal tax information directly from the IRS and transfer the information into your FAFSA! Using the tool can help to simplify the application process.

If you are unable to use the IRS Data Retrieval process, you may be asked to submit a copy of your/your parents' **2018 IRS Federal Tax Return Transcript**. You may request the tax transcript FREE of charge from the IRS in one of two ways:

1. Online at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)
  - Click **"Get Transcript of Your Tax Records."**
  - Click **"Get Transcript ONLINE"** or click **"Get Transcript by MAIL."**
  - Request the **"IRS Tax Transcript."**
2. By mail using the [IRS Form 4506T-EZ](#)

### Office Hours:

Office hours during the **first week of classes, January 21 - 24, 2020:**

- Tuesday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup> 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Beginning **January 27, 2020**, regular office will resume:

- Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Friday
  - 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
  - 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. – in person at the Admissions & Record Office, WH-C290