TOPICS

- The Financial Aid Cycle
- Costs and Types of Financial Aid
- Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)
- Payment Methods & Installment Plans

- How to use the Student Center
- How to use the Account Activity Screen
- Review & Reminders
This application cycle started late and was not a smooth process, but the **2025-2026** cycle should be better.

*New Terms to learn:* Contributor | Student Aid Index (SAI) | Direct Data Exchange | Federal Tax Information | Pell Enrollment Intensity

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**CSUDH Financial Aid TV (FATV)**
Has great 1 - 3 minute videos.

**Federal Student Aid YouTube Channel**
Also has great 1 - 3 minute videos.
1. **Apply/Renew** your FAFSA or CADAA application by **March 2nd each year**.
   a. **The Priority Filing Period is October 1st - March 2nd**
2. **Submit** any required documents (if requested).
   a. Monitor your CSUDH Toro Email & To Do List
3. After file review, **aid is offered**.
4. You **register** for classes.
5. Financial Aid **payments start 1-week before classes begin**.
   a. **Tuition & Fees**, housing charges *(if applicable)* are **paid first**.
   b. Any excess/left-over money is sent to (you) the student as a **Financial Aid REFUND**.
Financial Aid Offer Notifications

Two (2) types of offers:

- **Estimated**
  - A provisional notification before an actual offer is sent (or)
  - Additional documents are required to verify eligibility

- **Actual Offer**
  - No additional items required

Information contained within a Financial Aid Offer:

- Amounts for federal, state and university grants, scholarships and loans
- Estimated Cost of Attendance (COA) Budget items and amounts

All notifications are sent to CSUDH Student Toro Mail accounts
Costs & Typed of Financial Aid
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<th>FALL 2024</th>
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<th>SPRING 2025</th>
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**Full-time Amounts Combined = $7,453.46**
### Other Estimated Costs | 9-Month | Annual Budgets

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*Listed below are the combined totals w/ books, supplies, tuition, & fees*

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- Budgets are assigned based on student responses to the "Housing" question on their MYCSUDH Student Portal.

- Outside of Tuition & Fees, each student’s actual costs will be different depending upon their:
  - Individual needs, expenses, and spending habits.
Types of Financial Aid

- **GRANTS** = *Free* money that don’t have to be repaid
- **SCHOLARSHIPS** = *Free* money that don’t have to be repaid
- **WORK-STUDY** = Funds are *earned* via part-time employment
- **LOANS** = Funds must be repaid after you graduate, leave school, or drop below part-time enrollment

Visit the Financial Aid & Scholarship Office website
Select “Types of Financial Aid” for detailed descriptions & eligibility information
https://www.csudh.edu/financial-aid/types-aid/
Satisfactory Academic Progress

Grades = Money | Let's Talk About It
What is Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)?

SAP are the reasonable standards that measure whether or not a student is maintaining satisfactory academic progress towards completing their degree.

We monitor (3) three standards:
- GPA
- Completion Percentage %
- Maximum Timeframe (or Attempted Unit Cap)
The (3) SAP Standards

Complete 66.67% of their classes w/ passing grades

Example:
12 units x .6667 = 8 units
15 units x .6667 = 10 units

GPA Minimums:
Freshmen 1.5
Sophomores 1.8
Junior/Seniors 2.0

The Max Timeframe limit is 180 units
Keep them on track to graduate on-time, before reaching this limit!
• Not meeting the minimum SAP standards can put the student’s financial aid eligibility at risk.

• They should strive to meet the minimum GPA and 66.67% Completion Rate standards.
Let’s Switch Things Up
No, we’re not going to talk about the Nintendo Switch, but rather....

The Financial Aid & Scholarships Office

VS

The Student Financial Services Office
The Financial Aid & Scholarships Office

What We Do!

- Review the FAFSA & CADAA applications
- Determine Eligibility for the Money $$
- Offer the Money $$ | We Pay the Money $$
- Monitor Student Grades & Academic Progress
- Review Appeals
  - SAP | Budget Increases | Dependency Overrides
  - Income Adjustment | Unusual Circumstances
- We provide Workshops!
  - Application Help Sessions | Financial Wellness Workshops
  - Banking 101, Budgeting, Money Basics, Understanding Credit
  - Scholarships - Finding Free Money for College, and more!
- Budgeting & Planning
- Understanding the Nuances of Financial Aid Programs - we can help your students with this!
SFS oversees student accounts!

- They are responsible for:
  - Cashier’s Office
  - Collections
  - Refunds & Direct Deposit
  - Payments Plans

- They provide services for:
  - Issuance of refunds
  - Short-Term Loan Processing
  - Direct Deposit processing
  - Mailed checks & lost checks
  - And....
Payment Methods & Installment Plans
Fees for the Fall 2024 term are due as follows:

- Registration dates between: April 15, 2024, to July 14, 2024; fees are due July 15, 2024.
- Registration dates between: July 15, 2024, to September 3, 2024; fees are due 48 hours after registration.
- Registration dates between: September 4, 2024, to September 19, 2024; fees are due at time of registration!

Students registering on or after the start of Late Registration, August 26, 2024, will have a Late Registration fee of $25.00.
Three (3) Payment Methods:

1. In-Person to the Cashier’s Office

2. By Mail

3. Online
   
   - Online using:
     
     - Electronic Check (ACH) - free of charge
     - Debit or Credit Card via Toro Pay from MyCSUDH
       - *A convenience fee will be charged*
     - International Students - to pay using their home currency, use Flywire | www.flywire.com
Installment Payment Plans

Fall 2024 Payment Plans will be available JULY 1, 2024

PAYMENT PLANS Webpage Update Coming Soon!
https://www.csudh.edu/student-financial-services/payment-plans/
Parking & Parking Permits

Costs for Students
- $200 Fall 2024
- $200 Spring 2025
- Online purchases only from the Launchpad of their MYCSUDH
  - Go the the Parking Permits Icon
- Parking Permits are valid for all parking lots

https://www.csudh.edu/dhpd/departments/parking/

Parking Webpage

https://www.csudh.edu/visit-us/parking/

Visitor Parking Webpage
**Financial Aid Refunds | The Process**

**REFUNDS**

Are issued in one of two (2) ways by the **STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES OFFICE**

- **Direct Deposit** (takes 3 - 5 days to credit to their bank account)
- **Check by Mail** (all 5 - 10 days to receive a mailed check)

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**Funds are credited to their CSUDH Student Account**

**Excess/Left-Over money is their REFUND**

**Their tuition & on-campus housing fees are paid first!**
How to Enroll in Direct Deposit

SET UP DIRECT DEPOSIT
How to use the Student Center
Quick Navigation: www.csudh.edu (or) my.csudh.edu

Upper right corner has the MYCSUDH & Search Options

Select the circle with the 3-dots. Within the drop-down menu, you have links for:

- myCSUDH
- Canvas
- Financial Aid
- TORO Email
Above LAUNCHPAD:
- My Personal Info
- COVID-19 Vaccination
- Student Worker
- Career Center
- Scholarships
- Housing

Under LAUNCHPAD:
- Student Center
- Toro Pay
- Parking Permits
The Key Student Center Sections Are: Finances, Holds, & To Do List

Let's Discuss
The **FINANCES** Section | Let’s Review Items 1, 2, 3, and 4

1. **ACCOUNT INQUIRY**
   Shows your **summary** of Charges, Pending Financial Aid, and calculates your Balance Owed (if any).

2. Here is where you can **Enroll In & Withdraw From Direct Deposit**!

3. You have your **Financial Aid Office** links:
   - **View Financial Aid**
   - **Accept/Decline Awards**
   - Review your **SAP** status by Term.

4. Use the **“Other Finance Information”** section to select the **ACCOUNT ACTIVITY** link.

**ACCOUNT ACTIVITY**
Is like their bank statement for school, because it shows all your **Student Account transactions**.
How to use the Account Activity Screen
How to View Account Activity | Tutorial
## Account Activity Example: SPRING Enrollment & Payment

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### CHARGES:
- 11/10/2022 student registered and charges posted for $3,582

### REFUND
- 01/16/2023 Financial Aid REFUND was issued for the "left-over/excess" amount of $3,537

### PAYMENT
- 01/14/2023 Financial Aid payments were posted for $7,117

### Note of Observation
- Fin Aid $7,117
- Tuition & Fees $3,537
  
  = Excess $3,535

But this student received $2 extra, WHY?
Because he/she opted out of the $2 SIRF Student Involvement Fee
Review

Renew Your FAFSA or CADAA each year!
Priority Filing Period is October 1st - March 2nd

Financial Aid pays 1-week before classes start

Financial Aid & Student Financial Services are not the same

Parking permits $200

Enroll in Direct Deposit

Use the Account Activity screen

Financial Aid workshops & FATV

Unit = Credit They mean the same
Minimum GPA
Freshman 1.5
Soph 1.8
Junior 2.0

I must maintain a 66.67% passing rate!
We’re Done!

Thank You for your attention!
We hope this information helped.

Rhoda Posey
Financial Aid & Scholarships Office

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