

Summer Bridge Financial Aid

Welcome to UC Merced! Prepare now to receive summer financial aid on time. **Be aware that the 2015-2016 California Dream Act application you probably already filed does not cover Summer 2015 enrollment.**

You must file the 2014-2015 California Dream Act application online for summer 2015 financial aid.

Here's a handy checklist with steps to follow and helpful hints for financial aid to pay on time:

1. File the [2014-2015 California Dream Act application](#) online as soon as possible. You will need your Dream Act user ID and password, 2013 W-2s and 2013 federal income tax returns (if required to file) for you and your parent(s). Under "California Dream Act Application Login" box, click on "Login to Application" option. After logging in, click on 2014-2015 School Year tab on right hand side of page for attending college during the summer of 2015. List UC Merced school code 041271 on your application.
2. The California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) will notify you via the email address on your Dream Act application when summary of your application information is ready for you to thoroughly review.
3. Our office will notify you about any outstanding financial aid items via email and your "[My Checklist](#)" requirements. Funds will not pay if you have outstanding "My Checklist" requirements with our office. If you've also filed the 2015-2016 CA Dream Act application for Fall 2015, you will have two separate Dream Act applications being processed at the same time and "My Checklist" requirements for two different academic years. Don't forget to check your requirements for both academic years! Regularly check your email and "My Checklist" requirements for important information and updates. We will contact you via the email address you listed on your CA Dream Act application only until you are registered for classes. After you are registered for classes, your UC Merced email address will be used for all future email communications.

Helpful links and further information about the financial aid process can be found online at financialaid.ucmerced.edu. If you can't find the answers to your questions on our website, please do not hesitate to email the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office at finaid@ucmerced.edu or call the Students First Center at (209) 228-7178 or stop by for assistance. We are here to help with your transition to UC Merced.