

AB540 STUDENTS and EOP

In order to be considered for EOP, prospective students must apply to EOP when they apply to San José State University. State residency is a requirement to receive funding from EOP, but assistance may be available on a limited basis to AB540 students. Please contact Veronica Mendoza Hand for more information.

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ABOUT AB540

AB 540 is an assembly bill that was signed into law in 2001. The law allows any student, including undocumented students, to pay in-state tuition at any California public institution if they meet certain criteria.

To be eligible as AB540, students must:

- Attend a California high school for three or more years
- Graduate from a California high school or receive the equivalent general education diploma (G.E.D.)
- Register or be currently enrolled in a California community college, CSU or a UC
- Sign a statement (affidavit) with a college or university stating that he/she will apply for legal residency as soon as possible
- Students may not hold a valid non-immigrant visa (i.e. F, J, H, L, A, E, etc.)

RESOURCES FOR AB540 STUDENTS

CALIFORNIA NON-RESIDENT TUITION EXEMPTION REQUEST (AB540 AFFIDAVIT FORM)

A student who wants to qualify under AB540 law at SJSU or any other California public institution must file an affidavit with the college or university.

<http://www.sjsu.edu/registrar/docs/ab540.pdf>

SJSU AB540 RESOURCE GUIDE

This resource guide will help provides resources, policies, testimonies and contacts to better help AB540 students navigate the university system.

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SJSU CAMPUS RESOURCES

STUDENT ADVOCATES FOR HIGHER EDUCATION (SAHE)

SAHE is an SJSU student club that advocates for and supports undocumented high school and college students. SAHE is open to any SJSU student interested in helping undocumented students in higher education.

For more information contact: Co-Chair Kimberly Martinez, kimberlymartinez217@yahoo.com
SAHE advisor: Julia Curry Rodriguez, Ph.D., julia.curry@sjsu.edu

AB540 HELP DESK

The AB540 help desk is located in the MOSAIC center on the 2nd floor of the Student Union at SJSU. They offer assistance with resources both on and off campus and support for SJSU AB540 students. They may also provide updates and answer questions regarding current immigration policies.

For more information contact: ab540helpdesk.sjsu@gmail.com

PAYING FOR COLLEGE/SCHOLARSHIPS

MEXICAN AMERICAN LEGAL DEFENSE AND EDUCATIONAL FUND (MALDEF)

MALDEF is a Latino legal civil rights organization. They promote social change through advocacy, communication, education and litigation. MALDEF has compiled a list of scholarships for all students regardless of immigration status.

<http://www.maldef.org/leadership/scholarships/index.html>

EDUCATORS FOR FAIR CONSIDERATION (E4FC)

E4FC helps undocumented students with pursuing and attaining a college degree and citizenship in the U.S. They have compiled a list of scholarships available regardless of immigration status.

<http://www.e4fc.org/studentresources/scholarshiplist.html>

LATINO COLLEGE DOLLARS

Scholarships for Latino students compiled by the The Tomás Rivera Policy Institute.

www.latinocollegedollars.org

OPPORTUNITY FUND

Opportunity Fund helps students to earn, save and invest their money for educational purposes.

www.opportunityfund.org

DR. ERNESTO GALARZA SCHOLARSHIP

The Dr. Ernesto Galarza Scholarship is sponsored by The Chicano/Latino Faculty and Staff Association (CLFSA) of San José State University. The CLFSA gives these scholarships in honor of Dr. Galarza who greatly contributed to the Chicano/Latino community.

www.sjsu.edu/clfsa/Scholarship

COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR AB540 STUDENTS

SERVICES, IMMIGRATION RIGHTS AND EDUCATION NETWORK (SIREN)

SIREN provides the local bay area community with information about policies and laws that directly affect low-income immigrants. They also help advocate for immigrant rights and provide various resources such as community education, citizenship application assistance, leadership development and policy advocacy.

<http://www.siren-bayarea.org>

CALIFORNIA DREAM NETWORK

This is a network of California college campus organizations that help and support undocumented students in higher education.

www.cadreamnetwork.org

ASIAN LAW CAUCUS (ALC)

This organization is a legal and civil rights organization that serves the low-income Asian Pacific American communities. The ALC helps community members with immigration, housing, civil rights and employment issues.

<http://www.asianlawcaucus.org/alc/programs/immigration/>