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Fresno State Dream Success Center Quarterly Newsletter



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Welcome to Spring 2024!

While the weather isn't quite looking like "Spring" just yet, the semester is well underway. I'm so glad to have you back on campus and hope the Fall term was engaging and productive for you. I want to take this midpoint of the academic year to remind of you of a few things:

1. We're here to help! Please visit the Dream Success Center in Joyal 224 regularly so we can do everything we can to support you. Joyal 224 holds a number of campus programs dedicated to student success, and we all want to make sure you know you are welcome here and have a team of people interested in supporting your progress and well-being.
2. Join in! The Dream Success Center holds regular programming and workshops for you, so please plan to attend. The staff and student assistants in this program are such an invaluable support and you will benefit the most if you take advantage of what they have to offer you.
3. Say hello! I'm honored to be able to work with the Dream Success Center and am happy to meet with you if I can be of any service to you. Please don't hesitate to reach out!

I hope you have a happy and healthy semester ahead of you.
Go Dogs!

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You can now
schedule an
appointment
directly through our
Calendly link

Free Immigration Legal Services for Students and Employees

Direct immigration legal services are available free of charge to CSU students and employees. The Immigrant Legal Defense (ILD) non-profit agency assigned to Fresno State students, staff, and faculty is ready to assist you. Schedule an appointment using this link or scanning the QR code.

Schedule an Appointment

<https://calendly.com/csulegalservices/ild>



If you have any questions or need assistance scheduling an appointment, contact the Dream Success Center Coordinator, Diana at:

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559-278-1554

<https://studentaffairs.fresnostate.edu/dsc/immigration/index.html>



IMMIGRANT LEGAL DEFENSE (ILD)

ILD is a nonprofit agency dedicated to providing immigration legal services.

SERVICES:

- DACA
- Family Petitions
- U & T visas
- Detained and non-detained deportation (court) defense
- asylum
- applications for permanent resident status
- citizenship

www.ild.org
info@ild.org

2024-2025 CA Dream Act Updates

What is the CA Dream Act Application?

The CA Dream Act Application provides Cal Grants and/or other CA and Institutional Aid for students enrolled at a CA college/university and meet AB540 criteria

Who Should Renew the Application?

✔ **EVERYONE** who is attending a CA college/university for next academic year 2024-2025 and meets the AB540 criteria. Even if you have exhausted Cal grant eligibility, remember there is still other forms of financial aid available to students if you qualify. This means any student (1st year, transfer and beyond) should apply to renew the CA Dream Act.

If you think you no longer have Cal grant eligibility, **no worries!** You can still get other aid (if eligible) like Institutional Aid, so **renew EARLY.**

The 2024-2025 CA Dream Act Application is now open!

***Priority Deadline is April 2, 2024.**

CA Dream Act Renewal Workshops

The Dream Success Center will be hosting in-person and virtual workshops to assist students with their application renewal.



2024-2025 CA Dream Act Application Workshops

Financial aid applications will be available by December 31, 2023 and have a priority filing deadline of April 2, 2024.

In-Person	Virtual
All in-person workshops will be at the Resnick Student Union (RSU) on the Second Floor.	Please utilize this Zoom link to log in for virtual workshop dates: https://fresnostate.zoom.us/j/4058529912
January 24, 2024 RSU# 206 11am-1pm	February 13, 2024 10am-12pm
January 30, 2024 RSU# 206 1pm- 3pm	March 14, 2024 1:00pm-3pm
February 28, 2024 RSU# 214 1pm-3pm	*April 2, 2024 10am-11am
March 20, 2024 RSU# 214 10am-12pm	What You'll Need <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2022 Federal Tax Forms (yours and your parents)• Other records of money earned, 2022 W-2's
*April 2, 2024 RSU# 206 1pm-4pm	

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Need More Money to Pay for Educational Expenses? Apply for Scholarships!

In addition to the CA Dream Act, please apply to the Fresno State Scholarship if you are attending Fresno State for 2024-2025 academic year. The application Opens in October and closes in May. Apply now! <http://fresnostate.edu/studentaffairs/financialaid/scholarships/scholarshipapplication/index.html>



Scholarship and Grant Resources:

Good Samaritan Grant: A resource for students experiencing unanticipated financial roadblocks that can impact degree completion and well-being. Must be a current Fresno State student and demonstrate financial need.

This list of scholarships and fellowships below don't require proof of U.S. citizenship for you! The list has general application eligibility requirements, including education level, region/state, and immigration status (e.g. DACA, TPS, in-state tuition eligibility). Keep in mind these websites will be updated with time, use this as a resource to look back at for more eligibility.

- **Immigrants Rising**
 - <https://immigrantsrising.org/resource/list-of-scholarships-and-fellowships/>
- **Dreamers Roadmap**
 - <https://dreamersroadmap.org/scholarships>
- **My undocumented life**
 - <https://mydocumentedlife.org/category/college-scholarships/>
- **MALDEF**
 - <https://www.maldef.org/resources/scholarship-resource-guide-2023-2024/>
- **Central Valley Scholars**
 - <https://www.centralvalleyscholars.org/scholarships>

Aid available to Dreamers:



- Dream Act Service Incentive Grant (DSIG) Program (for students interested)
- Cal Grants (4 years if eligibility)
- State University Grant (up to 150 units)
- Dream Loan (borrow up to \$4,000 per academic year)



- Middle Class Scholarship
- Chafee Grant (for Foster Youth)

Important Dates

Stay up to date on events occurring this semester
and when campus is closed!

February 19,
2024
President's Day
Campus Closed

March 25-29
2024
Spring Break
Campus Closed

April 1, 2024
Cesar Chavez
Day
Campus Closed

May 8,
2024
Last Day of
instruction

May 11, 2024
Dreamer's
Graduation
Recognition

April 2, 2024
Dream Act
Application
Due

Class of 2024

Save the date for our annual
graduation ceremony where we
celebrate your accomplishments!
Families and loved ones are welcome.

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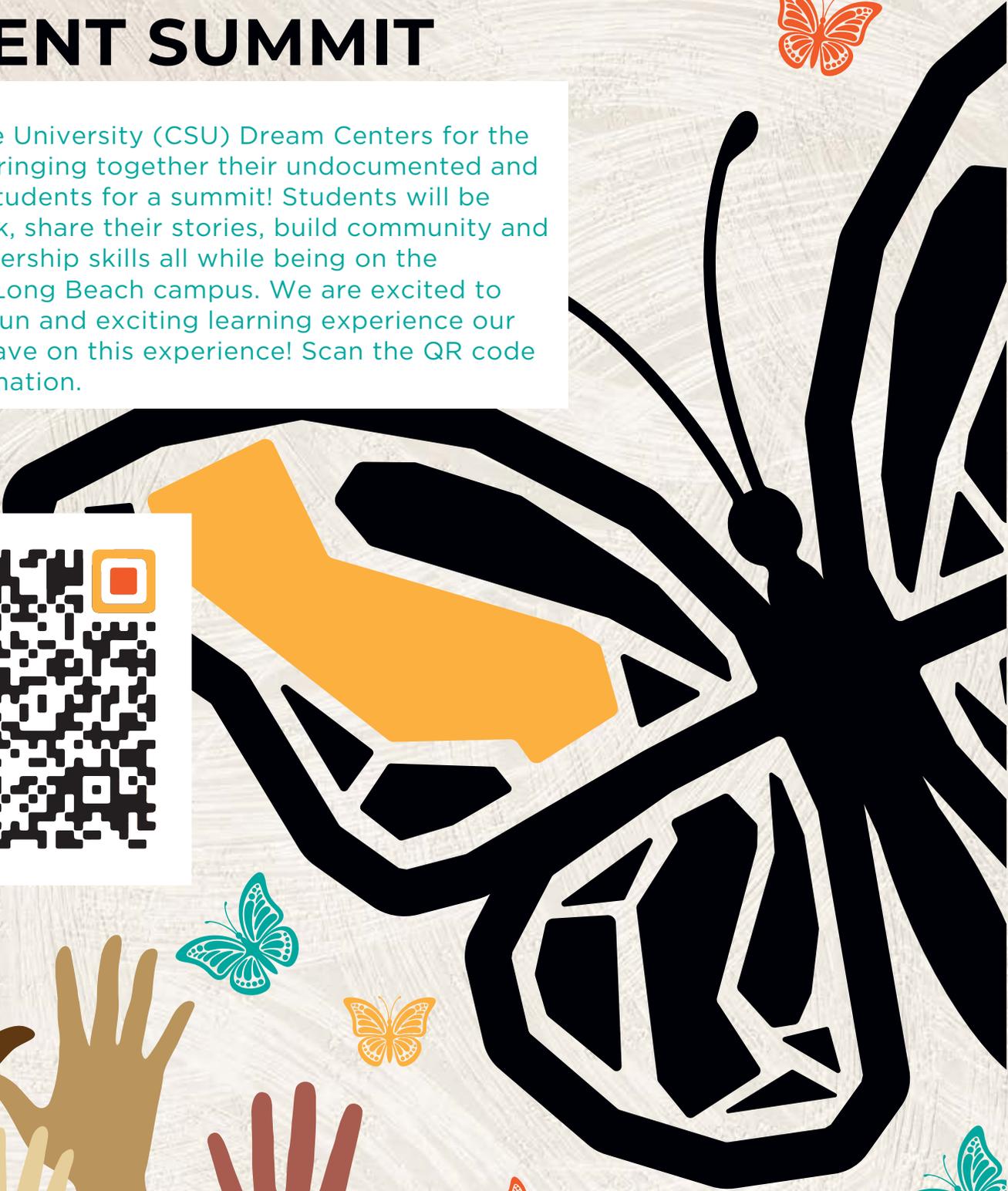
MARCH 15-16, 2024
CALIFORNIA STATE
UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH

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STUDENT SUMMIT

BIG NEWS!

California State University (CSU) Dream Centers for the first time are bringing together their undocumented and mixed-status students for a summit! Students will be able to network, share their stories, build community and gain some leadership skills all while being on the beautiful CSU Long Beach campus. We are excited to showcase the fun and exciting learning experience our students will have on this experience! Scan the QR code for more information.



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To request disability-related accommodations, complete the Bob Murphy Access Center (BMAC) Event Request Form or contact BMAC at (562) 985-5401 | bmac@csulb.edu

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Spring 2024 Monthly Workshops

Join us to have the opportunity to earn a scholarship for the Fall 2024 semester. Learn about resilience, campus opportunities, services offered by Immigrant Legal Defense (ILD) and much more!

**Wed.
Jan. 24**

Resilience as a
First-Gen Student
RSU # 206
Time: 3-4 pm

**Thurs.
Feb. 8**

Advance Parole/
Domestic Travel
Zoom
Time: 1-2pm

**Tues.
Feb. 20**

Getting Involved with
Off-Campus
Student Life
RSU #214
Time: 3:30-4:30pm

**Tues
Mar. 19**

Getting Out of Your
Comfort Zone
RSU #206
Time: 11-12pm

**Wed.
April. 17**

Networking
101
RSU #206
Time: 1-2pm

**Tues.
April. 23**

DACA Updates/
Know Your Rights
Zoom
Time: 3:30-4:30 pm

**Wed.
May. 1**

Save your Coin
with the Money
Management Center
RSU #214
Time: 3:30-5 pm

For Zoom workshops, use this link to join in:
<https://fresnostate.zoom.us/j/4058529912>

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