

What's New With CaliforniaColleges.edu?

CSU High School Counselor Conference
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California College Guidance Initiative

Who We Are

- ▶ **Manager of CaliforniaColleges.edu**, the State of California's official college and career planning platform.
- ▶ A **legislatively-authorized** service provider to all California school districts ([California Education Code 60900.5](#)).
- ▶ A crucial component of **California's Cradle to Career Data System**, as established by AB 132.

Who We Are Not

- ▶ A vendor.
- ▶ A grant-funded program.





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The Tools on CaliforniaColleges.edu

The State of California's free and official college and career planning platform

We provide students with:



Career Exploration

College and Major Search

CSU and UC Eligibility Tools

Financial Aid Lessons

College and Financial Aid
Application Integrations

We provide educators with:



Data Alignment Support

A-G Progress Monitoring

College and Financial Aid
Application Tracking

Reporting Tools
to Support Timely and
Intentional Intervention

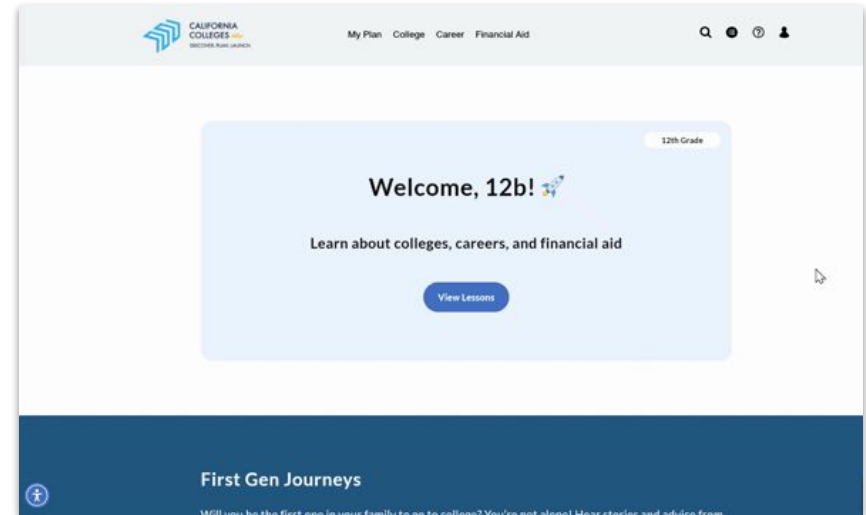


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The Accessibility Menu

CaliforniaColleges.edu can be customized to fit the user's needs.

- ▶ Getting there:
 - Click the **Blue Circle Icon** in the lower left corner
 - Keyboard access is also available
- ▶ Customize:
 - Language
 - Accessibility Profiles
 - Color and contrast
 - Text size and spacing
 - Screen readers
 - And more!





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Unique Tools for California

CaliforniaColleges.edu provides tools to help students and districts meet California-specific requirements.

We have integrations with all three of California's public higher education systems (CCC, CSU, UC) and the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC).



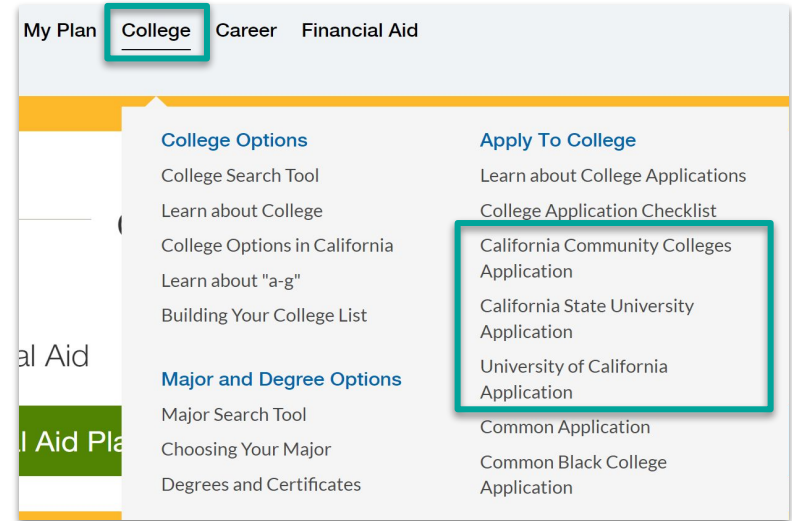


Launching Applications

Students can launch applications to California's financial aid and public higher education systems –

- ▶ 116 California Community Colleges
- ▶ 23 California State University campuses
- ▶ 9 University of California campuses
- ▶ FAFSA or CADAA

...all in one place.





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Why Launch from CaliforniaColleges.edu?



CAL STATE APPLY



Start from a Trusted Source:

Minimize students' guesswork and exposure to unofficial websites



Connect Data:

SSID linking helps facilitate identity matching between systems to smooth the process for students



Stay Informed:

Track the status of student applications and submissions



Save Time and Minimize A-G Errors:

Import transcript courses and grades directly into students' applications



Partnership With CCGI

Partner Districts have a formal data-sharing agreement (MOU) with CCGI in order to bring their high school transcript data to CaliforniaColleges.edu.

Students with 'Transcript-Informed Accounts' are provided with:

- ▶ **California Community Colleges (CCC) Tool** which helps students to identify the 5 CCCs closest to their high school and to learn more about program options.
- ▶ **CSU and UC Eligibility Tools** that allow students to see their progress towards meeting the minimum requirements for admission to a CSU and UC.
- ▶ The ability to **import verified transcript data** to their Cal State Apply application and UC Application (new!).

California Community Colleges

Students in Partner Districts see a list of the 5 CCCs closest to their school, with easy links to learn more about each campus and transfer options.

Academic Planner
CCCs
CSU Eligibility
UC Eligibility
CSU Application Info
UC Application Info

There are lots of great reasons to attend a California Community College (CCC). A CCC may be the best fit for you if:

- You need an **associate degree or certificate** for the career you want.
- You want to **start your career sooner**. Associate degree programs usually take two years. Certificate programs take even less time.
- You want to **prepare to transfer** to a four-year college.
- You want to **spend less money** on college tuition. CCCs have the lowest fees in the nation.
- You want to **stay close to home**. With 115 campuses across California, there is probably a CCC close to you.
- You need **flexible classes** in the evening, on weekends, or online so you can fit college into your life.
- You want to **get a head start on earning college credit** while you're still in high school.

Requirements

To attend a CCC, all you have to do is fill out an application and pay any required fees. You don't have to complete A-G requirements or take any special classes.

Learn more about the [Benefits of California Community Colleges](#).

Transfer Options

You can start at a CCC and transfer to a CSU, UC, or independent college after two years. Complete one of the programs below at your CCC to secure your spot.

- The **Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT)** guarantees you a spot at a CSU or an independent college.
- The **Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)** program guarantees you a spot at one of six UCs.

Five Closest CCCs to Your School

Sacramento City College	2.15 miles
Cosumnes River College	9.14 miles
American River College	9.65 miles
Woodland Community College	14.26 miles
Folsom Lake College	20.9 miles

[View All CCCs](#)

How to Apply

Nearly all CCCs use CCCApply for online applications. When you're ready, learn how to [launch CCCApply from your CaliforniaColleges.edu account](#).

[Launch CCCApply Now](#)



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CSU and UC Eligibility Tools for Students

Students in Partner Districts can use CSU and UC Eligibility Tools to continuously progress monitor their GPA and A-G eligibility.

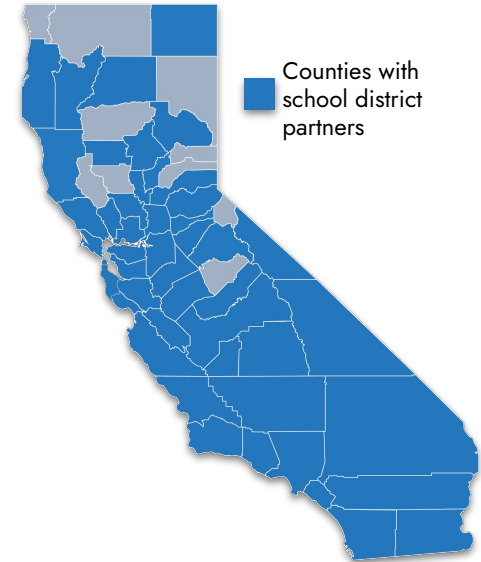
The screenshot displays the Educator Dashboard interface. At the top, the navigation bar includes the California Colleges.edu logo, the text "Educator Dashboard", and links for "College", "Career", and "Financial Aid". A search icon, help icon, and user profile icon are on the right. Below the navigation bar, a dark blue banner reads "Academic Plan: CCC Demo" with a sub-header "Keep track of your completed classes, grades earned, and also plan for high school classes using your Academic Plan." Below this is a row of tabs: "Academic Planner" (selected), "My College Plan", "My Career Plan", "My Financial Aid Plan", "My Goals", "My Journal", "My Experiences", and "My Documents". A paragraph explains that CSU uses three factors to determine eligibility: graduation from high school, completion of "a-g" courses, and grades achieved in a-g courses and test scores on college entrance exams. Below this is a row of buttons: "Academic Planner", "California Community Colleges", "CSU Eligibility" (selected), "UC Eligibility", and "CSU Application Info", with a "Back to Academic Planner" link on the right. The main content area is divided into two sections. The left section, titled "CSU GPA", shows a green circle with the number "3.35" and text stating that the user is currently meeting the minimum GPA requirement of 2.0 or above, with the CSU GPA reflecting "a-g" coursework submitted by the school district completed in 10th, 11th, and 12th grades, including the summers following 9th, 10th, and 11th grades. The right section, titled "Your 'a-g' Progress for CSU", features a red target icon and text stating that based upon successful completion of coursework this term, the user is missing the following number of years of "a-g" courses: 1. It also notes that the user appears to not be making progress toward completing courses recommended for their grade level in the following subject areas: B, D, E, F.



CCGI Partner Districts

More than 70% of California's high school students are enrolled in a school district that has already partnered with CCGI.

- ▶ Our Partner Districts include more than **250 school districts** that serve more than **1.3 million 9th-12th grade students** in California.
- ▶ California Education Code 60900(f)(3) now requires that all LEAs that enroll 9-12 grade students enter into a data sharing agreement with CCGI by **January 2026**.



▼ See who our Partner Districts are ▼

[californiacolleges.edu/learnmore/ list-of-partner-districts/](https://californiacolleges.edu/learnmore/list-of-partner-districts/)

How it Works



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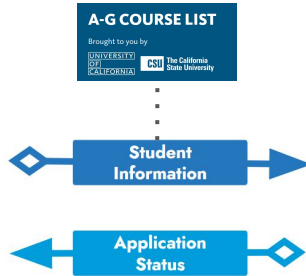


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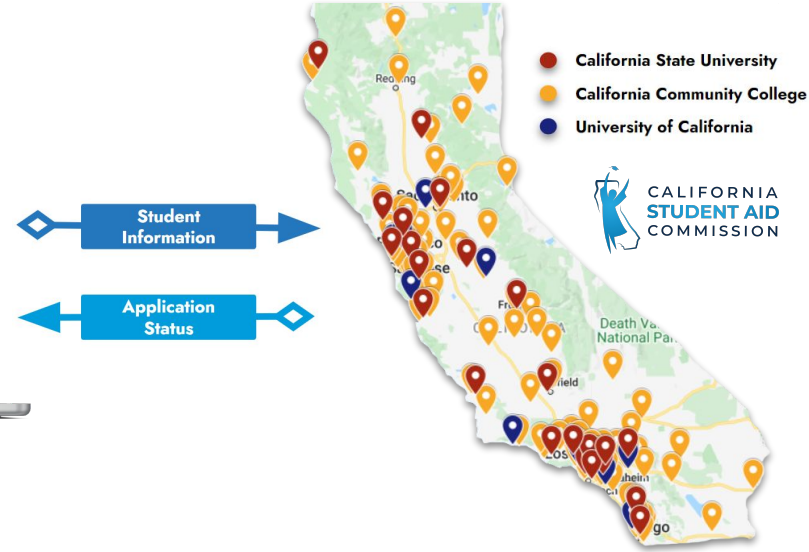
Connecting California's Systems



Partner District



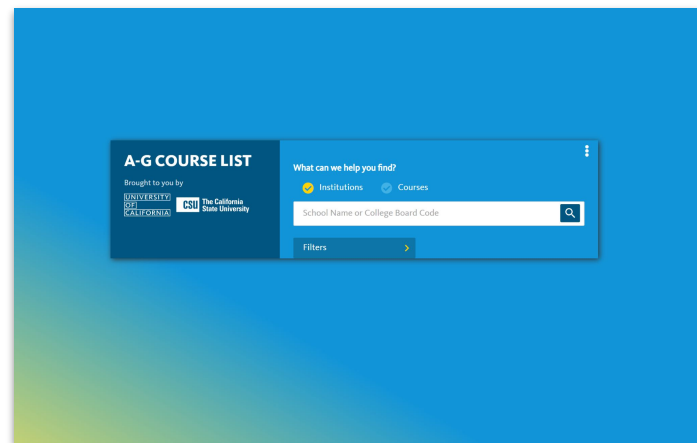
Student launches applications
from CaliforniaColleges.edu



The Course Management Portal

The Course Management Portal (CMP) is where all California districts and/or their schools manage their public-facing “A-G Course List”

- ▶ The approved course list from the CMP is what determines which courses fulfill an A-G subject area for the purpose of CSU and UC admissions processes
- ▶ CaliforniaColleges.edu uses the official CMP course list for each school to **verify the transcript data** shared by the district/LEA from its SIS.
- ▶ This informs:
 - How coursework visualizes for students in the **CSU and UC eligibility tools**
 - How courses **import to the CSU and UC applications**





A-G Alignment Support

CCGI provides technical assistance help to LEAs to ensure that courses indicated as fulfilling A-G requirements match the Course Management Portal.

- ▶ California Education Code 60900(g) requires that LEAs maintain at least a 90% rate of alignment between A-G coursework, as listed in the local SIS, and how those courses are registered in the UC Course Management Portal A-G course list.
- ▶ CCGI has a dedicated Technical Assistance team to support districts in improving their CMP match rate.
- ▶ CaliforniaColleges.edu reporting features help educators identify and resolve issues with their CMP list that may impact eligibility for students:
 - Academic Report: **Which district courses are flagged as A-G but do not match against the CMP?**



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CMP-Verified Courses and Grades

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Verified "a-g" course with a grade of C- or better
 Verified "a-g" course with a grade of D or lower
 Enrolled or planned courses
 Subject area has been satisfied

C. Mathematics 4 years recommended 3 years required 3.5 years completed Higher level courses have satisfied some lower courses.	MATH I A S1 2020-21 Completed C	MATH II A S1 2021-22 Completed D	OLR MATH I B SS2 2021-22 Completed C	MRWC A S1 2023-24 Enrolled
		MATH II B S2 2021-22 Completed C	MATH III A S1 2022-23 Completed B+	
			MATH III B S2 2022-23 Completed A	



Validation for CMP-Verified Courses

https://www.californiacolleges.edu

Academic Planner California Community Colleges **CSU Eligibility** UC Eligibility CSU Application Info

Verified "a-g" course with a grade of C- or better Verified "a-g" course with a grade of D or lower Enrolled or planned courses Subject area has been satisfied

C. Mathematics 4 years recommended 3 years required 3.5 years completed Higher level courses have satisfied some lower courses.	MATH I A S1 2020-21 Completed C	MATH II A S1 2021-22 Completed D	OLR MATH I B SS2 2021-22 Completed C	MRWC A S1 2023-24 Enrolled
		MATH II B S2 2021-22 Completed C	MATH III A S1 2022-23 Completed B+	
			MATH III B S2 2022-23 Completed A	

In this example, a Grade of D in Math IIA has been validated by higher level courses and grades.



Courses That Are Not CMP-Verified

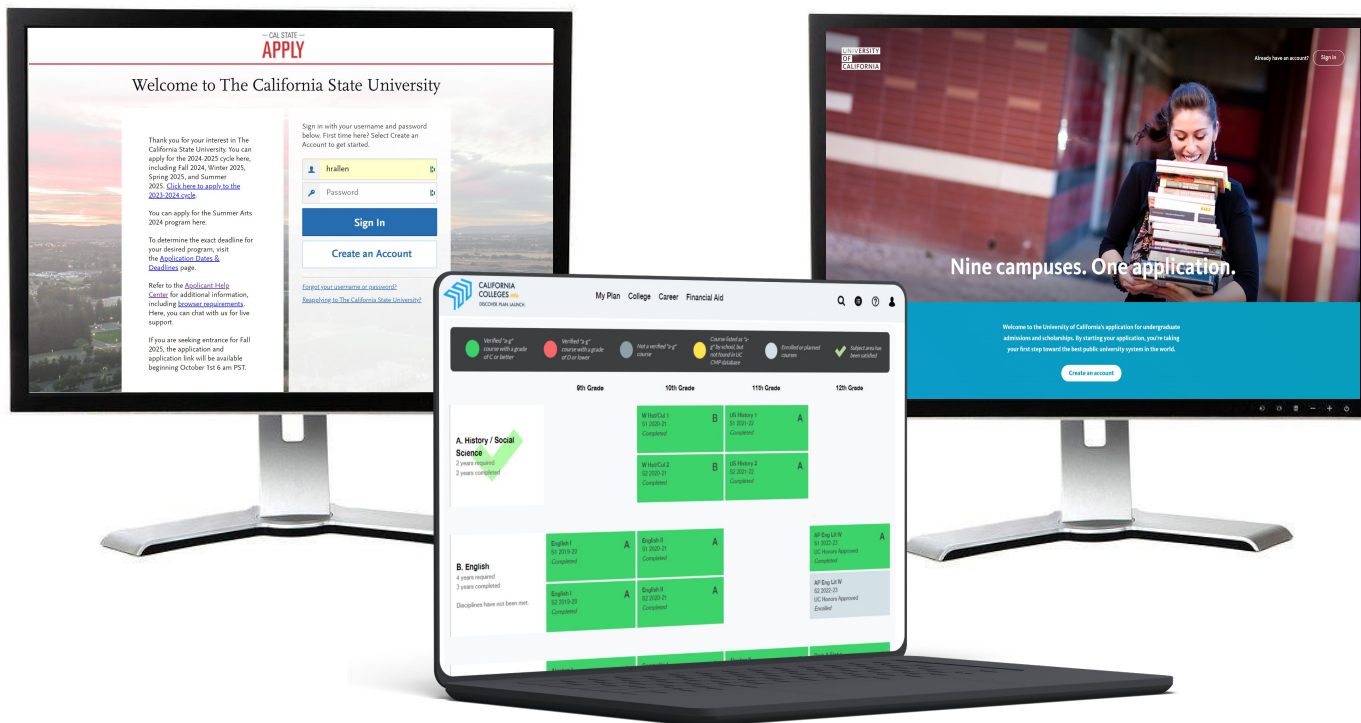
Courses in **yellow** are those where the district indicates the course as meeting an A-G subject area, but the course **cannot be verified** against the CMP.

	 Not a verified "a-g" course	 Course listed as "a-g" by school, but not found in UC CMP database
Additional Coursework Unmatched "a-g" Courses Other High School Graduation Requirements Community College Preparatory Courses CTE Pathways Courses	Health Ed S1 2020-21 Completed	A+
	History of Rock S1 2020-21 Completed	A
	*PE 1 S2 2020-21 Completed	A+



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Importing Verified Transcript Data





The CSU and UC Eligibility Tools

Helps students understand which of their courses **can be verified** against a school's official A-G List from the UC Course Management Portal (CMP)

- Found in:
 - Academic Planner

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	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
F. Visual & Performing Arts 1 year required 0.5 years completed	MultimediaDsgn S1 2019-20 Completed A MultimediaDsgn S2 2019-20 Completed D			
G. College-Preparatory Elective 1 year required 1 year completed			Psychology S1 2021-22 Completed A Sociology S2 2021-22 Completed A	
Additional Coursework Unmatched "a-g" Courses Other High School Graduation Requirements Community College Preparatory Courses CTE Pathways Courses	Physical Education S1 2019-20 Completed A Physical Education S2 2019-20 Completed A		Basic English Lit III S1 2021-22 Completed A Basic English Lit III S2 2021-22 Completed A	

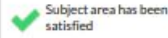


Eligibility Tool Printouts

Single student or bulk-print PDF of CSU and UC Eligibility tools. Useful as a **companion to the student's transcript** when completing their application.

- Navigate to your Educator Dashboard
- Click Eligibility Tool Printouts
- View tutorial [here](#)

Legend



Subject area has been satisfied



Verified 'a-g' course with a grade of C- or better



Verified 'a-g' course with a grade of D or lower



Enrolled or planned courses



Course reported as 'a-g' by school, but cannot be verified against UC CMP



Course not indicated by your school as 'a-g'

CSU Eligibility Progress



Name: CCC Demo
ID: 50016
School: Demo Partner High
Grade: 12

CSU GPA

3.35

You're currently meeting the minimum GPA requirement for all CSU campuses. Great job!

Your courses and grades come from your school district. Transcript data was last submitted on 03/04/2021.

CSU "A-G" Progress



Based upon successful completion of coursework this term, for your grade level, you are missing the following number of years of "a-g" courses: 1

You appear to not be making progress toward completing courses recommended for your grade level in the following subject areas: B, D, E, F

Plan to take the courses you are missing and complete those courses with a C- or better to be eligible for CSU.

"A-G" Courses	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
A. History / Social Science 2 years required 1.5 years completed 0.5 years applied from G.	World Hist (P) S1 2019-20 C+ World Hist (P) S2 2019-20 D-	US History S1 2019-20 A US History S2 2019-20 A		
B. English 4 years required 3.5 years completed Disciplines have not been met.	Eng I (H) (P) S1 2018-19 D Eng I (H) (P) S2 2018-19 C	Eng II (P) S1 2019-20 C Eng II (P) S2 2019-20 C	English III S1 2019-20 A English III S2 2019-20 A	AP Eng Lit IV S1 2020-21 A AP Eng Lit IV S2 2020-21 A
C. Mathematics 4 years recommended	Algebra I (P) S1 2018-19 D	Geom (P) S1 2019-20 C	Algebra II S1 2019-20 A	Prob & Stat 1 S1 2020-21 A



Yellow Course = Requires Review

Courses that surface in Yellow:

- ▶ Have been indicated by your district as an A-G course, but **could not be CMP matched** against a school's official A-G list
- ▶ **ALWAYS** require review!
- ▶ **Will require action** , including A-G Matching in Cal State Apply, if they should be included in the student's application



Basic English Lit III S1 2021-22 <i>Completed</i>	A
Basic English Lit III S2 2021-22 <i>Completed</i>	A



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Cal State Apply Course Import



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CaliforniaColleges.edu Course Import

What It Does	What It Does NOT Do
Saves time: Can <u>significantly reduce</u> the time required to complete CSU and UC applications.	It does NOT replace the need to review all course records for accuracy prior to application submission.
Reduces errors : Verifies high school course records against the CMP and pre-populates that information into Cal State Apply and UC applications.	
Supports intentional review: Allows counselors and college access staff to identify and focus time and energy on students records that are the most complex.	It does NOT replace the need for counselors and/or college access staff to support students.



What about Dual Enrollment?

- ▶ Dual Enrollment (DE) is a method that students can use to meet A-G requirements, but these courses cannot be verified against the CMP.
- ▶ DE will surface in Yellow as “Requires Review” to indicate to the student that **action is required** in their CSU and UC applications.
- ▶ It is by design that DE courses cannot be imported into the high school coursework section of Cal State Apply and the UC Application:
 - College courses must be entered into the College sections of both applications, which are programmed to recognize one semester of College coursework as fulfilling a full year of A-G.

Not a verified "a-g" course		Course listed as "a-g" by school, but not found in UC CMP database	
Additional Coursework Unmatched "a-g" Courses Other High School Graduation Requirements Community College Preparatory Courses CTE Pathways Courses		Health Ed S1 2020-21 Completed	A+
		ENGL-1A Reading & Composition S1 2023-24 Completed	A
		*PE 1 S2 2020-21 Completed	A+



New Ed Code (Summer 2024)

The following subsections of code is a policy anchor, which establish CaliforniaColleges.edu as the future state infrastructure for the work outlined below:

*EDC § 48800(c) (c) A pupil shall receive credit for community college courses that the pupil completes at the level determined appropriate by the governing boards of the school district and community college district. Using available funding apportioned to the community college district pursuant to Section 84750.4, the governing board of the community college district shall report the pupil's completed courses and grades received through eTranscript California, also referred to as "eTranscriptCA," for purposes of enabling the uniform integration of the pupil's completed courses and grades received into the pupil's universal and electronic high school transcript that is housed on the **CaliforniaColleges.edu** platform.*

The implementation timeline for the code section above is not yet determined, but the opportunity and intent is clear.



Data-Informed Decision Making

View all CCC, CSU, UC, and financial aid application submission statuses – updated nightly – in a single, downloadable report

- ▶ The **“Download Only: College Eligibility and Application Statuses”** report offers a single, downloadable file to help you identify students for intervention and/or opportunities:

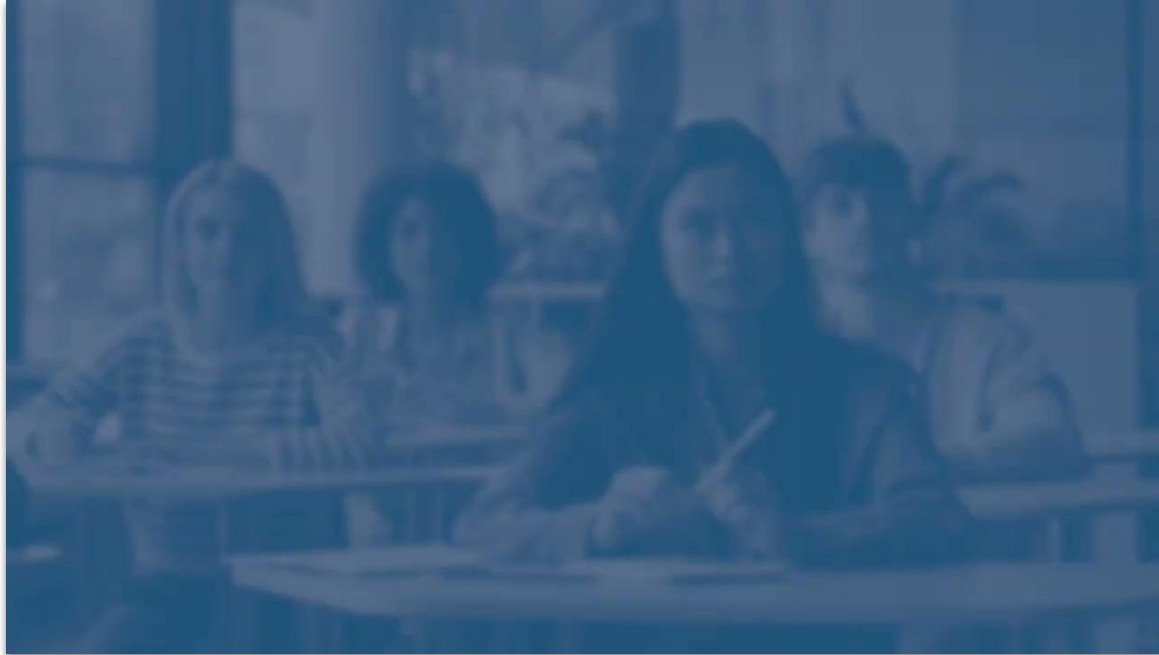
The screenshot shows a dark-themed interface for generating reports. At the top, there are two dropdown menus: 'Select Report:' with 'Applications' selected, and 'Download Only: Current College Eligibility and Application Statuses' selected. To the right of these is a link 'Have a report question? Contact Us' with a question mark icon. Below the dropdowns is a 'Select Filters:' dropdown showing '12'. On the right side of the interface is a blue button labeled 'Run Report'. A large green arrow points from the right edge of the slide towards the 'Run Report' button.

- ▶ Filter this report in multiple ways to answer questions, such as:
 - Which students have an eligible CSU or UC GPA, but have not applied?
 - Which students have applications in progress, but not yet submitted?
 - Which students have not applied to any segment?
 - Which students have applied to a specific campus?
 - Which students have not completed FAFSA or CADAA?



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A Partner District Example

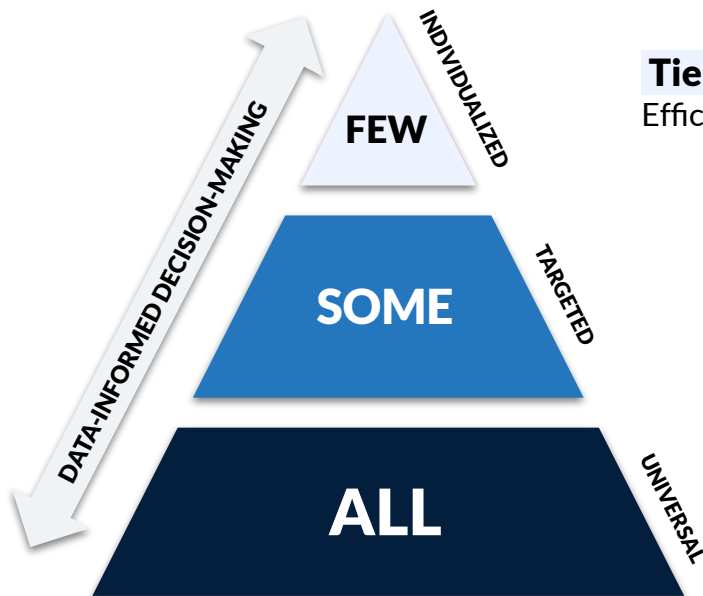


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Within a MTSS Framework

CaliforniaColleges.edu can be leveraged to support Tier 1 learning for all students, while increasing efficiency and ability for educators to strategically intervene with those who need support at Tier 2 and 3.



Tier 3 – Intensive Interventions

Efficiencies at Tier 1 and 2, free time for educators to provide 1:1 support.

Tier 2 – Targeted Interventions

Educator tools and reports on CaliforniaColleges.edu allow for targeted interventions with individuals or groups of students.

Tier 1 – Universal Interventions

CaliforniaColleges.edu is the state's official college and career planning platform, designed for all 6th-12th grade students.



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Partnership and Implementation Support

CCGI has team members dedicated to serving districts across the state.



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Check Out the Resource Hub

The CaliforniaColleges.edu
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educators.

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resourcehub/resources/](https://californiacolleges.edu/resourcehub/resources/)



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Managing Your Student Account



Career Assessments



Career, College, and Major Exploration Tools



College and Career Planning Tools



College Application Tools



How to Launch and Track Your CCCApply Application

The CCCApply application acts as your gateway to the California Community College campuses. By launching your application through CaliforniaColleges.edu, you and your counselor can track your all your community college applications in one place and verify which ones have been submitted.

START THE TUTORIAL

How to Launch Your Cal State Apply Application

The process of deciding what you want to do about college is complex, but submitting your application shouldn't be. By launching your Cal State Apply application through CaliforniaColleges.edu, you can track the status of all your applications to CSU campuses.

START THE TUTORIAL

How to Import Courses and Grades Into Your Cal State Apply Application

Using CaliforniaColleges.edu to import your courses and grades into your Cal State Apply application ensures the accuracy of your information by verifying your data and helping prevent errors that can delay or deny admission.

START THE TUTORIAL

How to Track Your Cal State Apply Application Status

In CaliforniaColleges.edu, you and your counselor can track your Cal State Apply application status and verify that it has been submitted.

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How to Launch Your UC Application

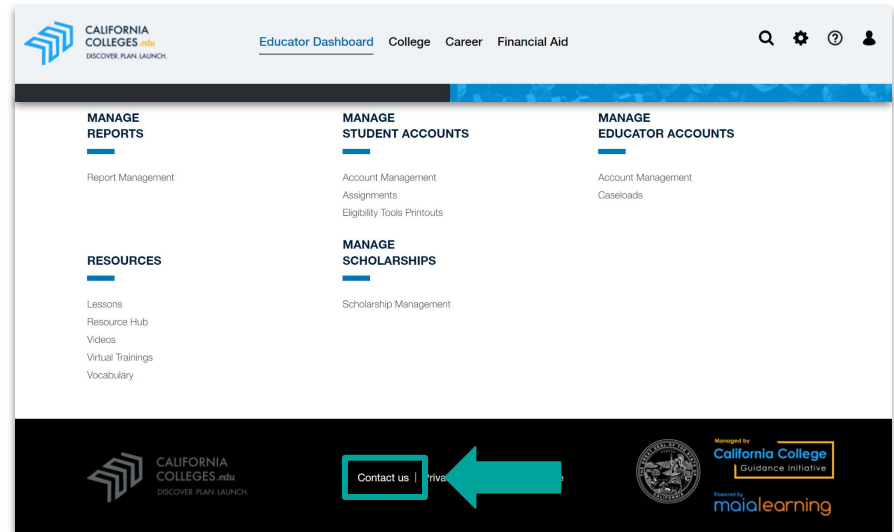
Applying to a UC can be an important step toward achieving your college and career goals. You can launch your application directly from CaliforniaColleges.edu.

START THE TUTORIAL

Need help? Contact Us

There are multiple ways to Contact Us when you have questions or need support:

- 1 Click the “Contact Us” link at the bottom of every page on the platform
- 2 Visit californiacolleges.edu/#/contact-us or scan the QR code:





Not Yet a Partner?

California districts/LEAs that serve 9th-12th grade students are required to enter into a data-sharing agreement with CCGI by January 2026 (per EDC § 60900).



To learn about bringing CaliforniaColleges.edu to your district, visit: californiacolleges.edu/learnmore/partnership/



Share your interest and enthusiasm about CaliforniaColleges.edu with your district leader and/or partnership decision-maker.



When your district is ready to explore partnership, [Contact Us](https://www.californiacolleges.edu/#/contact-us) at www.californiacolleges.edu/#/contact-us

Questions?



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Thank You!