

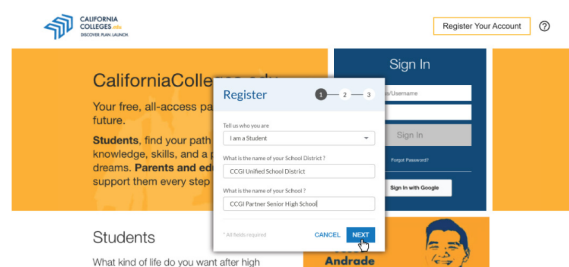
Instructional Materials for Students in Partner Districts

Whether you're in middle school or high school, discover how you can use CaliforniaColleges.edu to discover your college and career goals, make a plan for how to achieve them, and launch into a fulfilling future.

Below, you can find links to instructional videos and content to help you get the most out of your account and smooth your path to college and career.

Registering Your Account

To begin your CaliforniaColleges.edu experience, the first step is registering your student account. Once you're signed in, you can access our deep well of college and career planning information and take advantage of our wide range of datadriven tools and account-only features. Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)

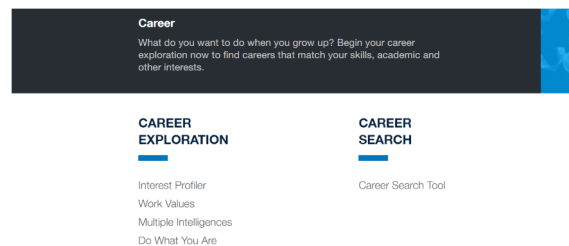


Using Career Exploration Tools

Before you can decide what you want to be, you need to understand who you are. Our career exploration tools can help you identify your values, interests, learning styles, and personalities and learn how they can connect to fulfilling careers.

Middle School Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)

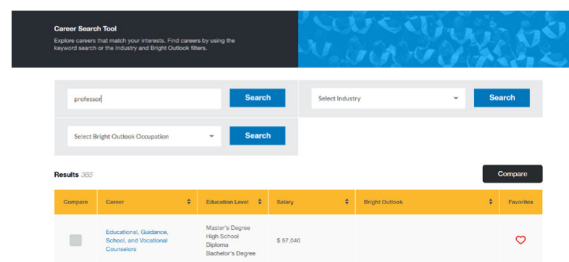
High School Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)



Using the Career Search Tool

The most important step in any journey is deciding where you want to go. Our Career Search tool helps you find the career path that's right for you by figuring out what you want to do, what career paths connect to your strengths and what steps you can take to attain them.

Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)



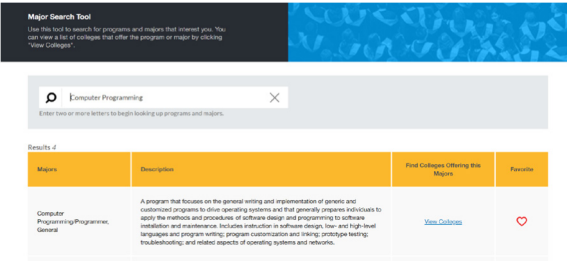
A full list of instructional videos designed to help students get the most out of their

[CaliforniaColleges.edu](https://californiacolleges.edu) accounts can be found at [vimeo/CaliforniaColleges](https://vimeo.com/CaliforniaColleges)

Using the Major Search Tool

Choosing the major that’s right for you is critical to succeeding in college and achieving your career goals. Our Major Search tool allows you to discover programs and majors that interest you, learn more about what they involve, and find colleges that offer them.

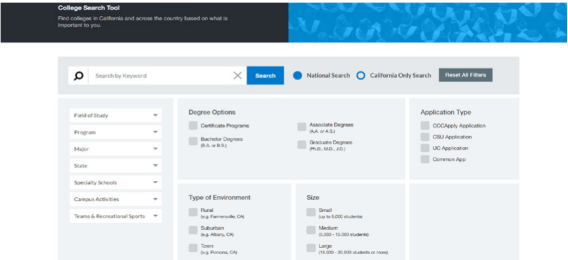
Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)



Using the College Search Tool

Getting the most out of your college education means finding the college that’s right for you. Our College Search tool helps you find the best colleges in California and across the country, based on the factors that matter most to you.

Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)



Using the Academic Planner Tool

Preparing to succeed in college, career, and life begins by making a plan. Our Academic Planner tool can help you set yourself up for success by planning your future coursework, reviewing your completed courses and grades, and making sure you’re on track to achieve your college and career goals.

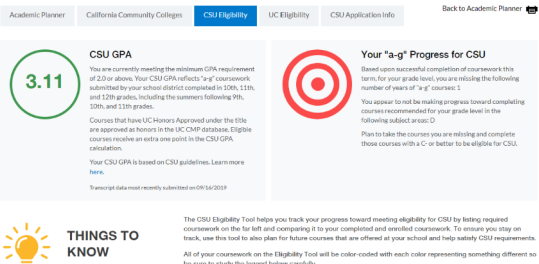
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High School Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)



Using CSU and UC Eligibility Tools

To achieve your college goals, you need to know what you’ve accomplished and what steps you still need to take. Our CSU and UC Eligibility Tools allow you to track your progress toward meeting California State University and the University of California’s requirements, identify areas you need to work on and catch any issues while there’s still time to fix them. Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)



Using the My Goals Tool

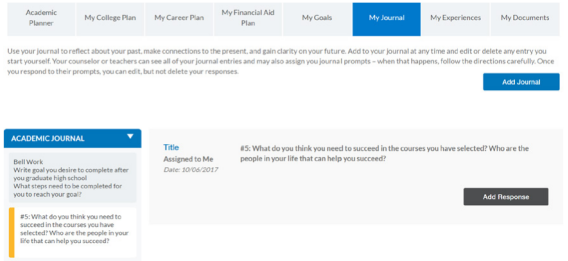
To make your dreams for your future come true, you need to set the right goals along the way. Our My Goals tool helps keep you on track by allowing you to identify, set, and monitor your academic, college, and career goals. Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)



Using the My Journal Tool

What you want to do about college and what career you want to pursue are very personal decisions. Our My Journal tool allows you to reflect about your past, make connections to the present, and plan for your future.

Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)



Covering the Cost of College

Money doesn't have to stand in the way of your college dreams. There is a lot of financial aid out there. You just need to know where to look. Understanding how and where to apply can be the key to attending college and making your career dreams come true. The Financial Aid Feature helps you learn what financial aid options there are to help you pay for college and how you can access them.

Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)

Launching Your CCCApply Application

The CCCApply application acts as your gateway to more than 100 California Community College campuses. By launching your application through CaliforniaColleges.edu, you and your counselor can track your application to any California Community Colleges campus in one place and verify that it has been submitted.

Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)

Launching 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 import your coursework directly, helping prevent errors that can delay or deny admission. Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)

Launching Your University of California Application

Applying to the University of California can be a major step toward achieving your college and career goals. By launching your application through CaliforniaColleges.edu, you and your counselor can track your application to any UC campus and verify that it has been submitted.

Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)

Launching Your FAFSA or California Dream Act Application

Earning a college degree can transform your financial future, but getting there can be an expensive investment. The FAFSA and California Dream Act applications can grant access to a wide range of scholarships, grants, and loans. And by launching your application through CaliforniaColleges.edu, you and your counselor can track it to make sure it has been completed and submitted.

Links: [Video](#) - [PDF](#)

The screenshot shows two side-by-side selection boxes. The left box is for FAFSA, with the heading "Select the FAFSA if one of these describes you:" and a list of bullet points: "You're a U.S. citizen.", "You're a permanent resident.", "You're an eligible non-citizen.", and "You have a T Visa.". The right box is for CADAA, with the heading "Select the CADAA if one of these describes you:" and a list of bullet points: "You're undocumented.", "You have a valid or expired Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).", "You have a U Visa.", and "You have Temporary Protected Status (TPS).". A small "OR" button is positioned between the two boxes.

The screenshot shows the login page for OpenCCC. At the top, there's a header with the California Community Colleges logo and the text "OpenCCC". Below this, a message says: "To continue to a California Community College secure web application, please sign in or create a new account." There are two main sections: "Sign In" and "Forgot?". The "Sign In" section has fields for "Username" (with the placeholder "CCCAPPUSER@EXAMPLE") and "Password", followed by a "Sign In" button. Below the password field is a link to "Create a New Account". There is also a "Cambiar A Español" button in the top right corner of the sign-in area.

The screenshot shows the Cal State Apply login page. At the top, it says "CAL STATE APPLY". Below that, it says "Welcome to The California State University". There are two main sections: "Click here for a COVID-19 statement from The California State University" and "Sign in with your username and password below. First time here? Select Create an Account to get started." The "Sign in" section has fields for "Username" and "Password", followed by a "Sign In" button. Below the password field is a link to "Create an Account".



The screenshot shows the Federal Student Aid website. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links: "FederalStudentAid", "UNDERSTAND AID", "APPLY FOR AID", "COMPLETE AID PROCESS", "MANAGE LOANS", "Log In / Create Account", and a search icon. The main heading is "You Are America's Smartest Investment". Below this, there's a paragraph: "The U.S. Department of Education's office of Federal Student Aid (FSA) provides more than \$120 billion in financial aid to help pay for college or career school each year." There is a "Log In" button and a "Create Account" link. At the bottom, there are four tabs: "Considering School" (I'm thinking about going to college or career school), "In School" (I'm in the process of earning a degree or certificate), "Parent" (I want to help my child pay for college), and "In Repayment" (I have loans I need to repay).

To learn more about how CaliforniaColleges.edu can help you smooth your college and career path, visit CaliforniaColleges.edu/#/help