

Student Voices: Using the Financial Aid Lessons Transcript

Narrator: Student Voices: Using the Financial Aid Lessons. Speaker: Sara Chen, UC San Diego.

Sara: So I did use the CaliforniaCollege.edu link to FASFA to apply since my school counselors recommended it. So it was just easier that way. Since they would know how much progress I had done on the application rather than going through a bunch of websites and links, it was very easy. And with regarding the lessons, it was very useful just because it was just super easy to follow and it was all organized into like sections. So I could go section by section whenever I wanted to.

Narrator: Speaker: Diego Munoz, Mt. San Jacinto Community College.

Diego: Getting financial aid was extremely stressful, but with California colleges and everything that they have said, it made it a lot easier, especially with the tools that they provided while I was in high school.

Narrator: CaliforniaColleges.edu is shown highlighting financial aid lessons such as how to prepare to apply for FAFSA or CADAA. A to-do list is also provided to students.

Diego: The most important things from those checklists were what sort of necessary documents that I needed as sort of like my, the, the basic things like social security number and stuff like that. Things that I were, or I was terrified even though it was like super small, I was still just, it was completely new to me as a high schooler. I had no idea what sort of things to expect.

Narrator: Speaker: Reyna Manriquez, Scripps College.

Reyna: I applied to California Dream Act, which is financial aid for undocumented students. And I did use CaliforniaColleges.edu. It was able to give me a broader aspect of what colleges were looking for, what information I really needed to apply to like financial aid, which is like really helpful because as being like first gen, like you don't really know what's going on, so you have to like really like look for it. I feel like CaliforniaColleges.edu had everything there. It was all like a click of a button away, so I really didn't have to do much.

Narrator: California colleges.edu. Discover, plan, launch. Learn more at CaliforniaColleges.edu/resourcehub/

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