Effective May, 2015.
The FSA ID, which consists of a user-created username and password, replaced the PIN. It allows users to electronically access personal information on Federal Student Aid Web sites as well as electronically sign a FAFSA.

You will be able to select one:

- Enter your FSA ID (only the student should log in with an FSA ID),

- OR Enter the students name, social security number and date of birth. (You may have to enter your FSA ID later in the application process).

- It is the fastest way to sign your application

Verification—What Is It?

Students may be requested to provide verification of information submitted on the FAFSA such as:

- Child Support paid
- High School completion
- Identity
- Non-Filing of taxes
- Other untaxed resources

Other miscellaneous documents as requested:

- Citizenship status
- Veterans/Military status
- Online class confirmation form
- Selective Service
- Dependency Court Status

BOG Fee Waiver & Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Changes

The BOG Fee Waiver now has SAP requirement—this is in addition to the existing federal regulations imposed on that type of aid. To understand each, we have the following points:

- Federal aid: Must complete 66.7% (2/3) of current attempted units and maintain cumulative completion rate of 66.7% (2/3).

- BOGFW: Must sustain a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA and complete more than 50% of coursework. If either of these elements is not met for two consecutive terms, you may lose your fee waiver eligibility.

Visit the Financial Aid website for more detailed information on these.

A Quick History Lesson:

For Pell Lifetime Eligibility Usage (LEU) and Federal Student Loan History, go to:

www.NSLDS.ed.gov
**Pell and Loan Payment Schedule**

Pell Grant and Direct Loan payments will be divided into four payments per year, two payments per semester, Fall 2016 and Spring 2017 each in increments of 50% and 50%.

- Payments are issued to students once eligibility has been determined.
- Payments issued are transmitted to your HigherOne account. (with ACH transfer if any) less any fees owed to Mission College.

- Fall 2016 Payment Dates*:
  - 08/25/16
  - 10/21/16

- Spring 2017 Payment Dates*:
  - 1/26/17
  - 3/24/17

- Summer 2017 Payment Date* is:
  - 06/16/17

* All dates are subject to change

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**Federal Work Study**

Federal Work Study: If you plan to apply for a Federal Work Study Job, you will need to create a profile account on the SmartHires website. Please see link below:

www.smarthires.com

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**Federal Loan Updates***

- Community College—3 year limitation
- Grace period begins when enrolled in less than 6 units
- Interest begins accruing during the grace period
- Interest rate for both subsidized and unsubsidized is now 3.76% (Jul 1, 2016-Jun 30, 2017)

*subject to change

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**Mission college Plan Option**

Mission college is committed to your success. We have partnered with Nelnet Business Solutions (NBS). NBS has an Electronic Cashier (e-Cashier) that will allow for an online tuition payment plan system to assist you in reaching your educational goals. Starting Fall 2015 you will have the opportunity to select a payment plan to help you make your enrollment expenses more affordable. A non-refundable enrollment fee to budget payment is $20.00 per semester.

**Benefits:**

- Easy online enrollment
- Flexible monthly payment options
- No interest
- No credit check

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**Payment Options:**

- Automatic Payments from your Checking or Savings Account
- Automatic Payments from your Debit/Credit Card

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**Simple steps to Enroll:**

- Log into your My Mission Portal
- Under My Web Services select Registration
- Select Create a Payment Plan-bottom of menu

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**California Dream Act**

The California Dream Act Application can only be completed by student who meet the AB540 requirements:

- Attended a California high school for at least 3 yrs OR graduated early from a California high school with the equivalent of at least 3 yrs. of credits (if you graduated early from HS you must have attended CA schools in elementary and/or secondary for a cumulative total of 3 or more yrs)

**AND**

- Will register in an accredited and qualifying California college or university **AND**

- Complete (d) a California Nonresident Tuition Exemption Request in Admissions Office.

The California Dream Act Application is the financial aid application for AB 540 eligible students.” AB 131 was effective January 1, 2013.

Complete application instructions and the Dream Act Application are available online at: www.caldreamact.org

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**Be SMART, Be AWARE**

Be aware of credit card fraud, financial aid and scholarship scams. Check your credit report annually to ensure your identity has not been compromised.

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Scholarships are available through different resources such as:

- High schools, colleges
- Non-profit communityorgs
- Employers, banks, credit unions

Check the FA webpage for a listing of helpful websites