



## NON-RESIDENT STUDENT FEE WAIVER PROGRAM APPLICATION for 2025-2026

**Only international and non-resident graduate students are eligible.**  
**For full consideration, applications must be submitted by March 7, 2025. Submit this completed application and supporting materials to your college associate dean's email and cc the assistant.**

### GRADUATE (For International and Domestic Non-Resident Students)

Please check one:

- Prospective domestic non-resident graduate student
- Current Cal State LA graduate student (International and Domestic Non-Resident students)
- Continuing Tuition Fee Waiver student

**General Information:** [Education Code Section 89707](#) allows non-resident tuition fee waivers or tuition fee reductions to be granted to non-resident *graduate* students who are either *domestic* non-resident students or citizens of a foreign country. In both cases the graduate student (1) must provide evidence of: (a) demonstrable financial need; and (b) exceptional scholastic ability and prior scholastic achievement; and (2) must enroll in at least 8 semester units per term **or** be employed by the CSU for 20 hours or more a week, but less than full time. To maintain eligibility, the student must remain classified as an International or non-resident student.

Once awarded, students will receive tuition waiver units based on courses within their programs that have not yet been completed. Reimbursement will not exceed 10 units per semester and 20 units within an academic year. Note that a second, and third, year of support is conditional on satisfactory progress in the previous year and only upon the recommendation from the student's program of study.

***Please Type:***

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_ (successful applicants will generally have a GPA of 3.6 or higher)

Country of Origin: \_\_\_\_\_ CIN #: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_  

Last
First
Middle

Name on Transcript: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (if different than preferred name) Last First Middle

Preferred Pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  

Street
City
Zip

Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**For New Applicants (prospective domestic non-resident graduate students and current Cal State LA graduate students who have not receive this award in the past):** International and domestic non-resident graduate students may apply for the Fee Waiver by submitting a completed application **and** the following items to their College Associate Dean:

1. List any significant awards or honors you have received.
2. Describe your academic interests, future plans and past achievements (250-400 words).
3. Please provide a statement describing your financial need (150 words).
4. A letter of recommendation from one of the following: department chair, graduate advisor, faculty member, or another pertinent individual who has taught or advised the student. The letter should address the student's ability to complete the degree successfully and in a timely fashion.
5. Copies of transcripts from all colleges and universities attended by the student, at the undergraduate and graduate levels.
6. Provide any additional evidence of exceptional scholastic ability and prior academic achievement (optional).

**Continuing Tuition Fee Waiver Applicants:** Once awarded, continuing graduate students are eligible to receive the tuition waiver through this program for up to three academic years. Awards for years two and three will require the following:

1. Student must prepare a brief statement of their progress in the program (no more than 1 doubled-spaced typed page).
2. A letter of support from the relevant graduate program Chair or faculty advisor. This letter must address the student's progress in the program and plans for a timely graduation from the program.
3. Unofficial copies of transcripts demonstrating satisfactory degree progress in the previous year (GPA of 3.0 or better, program progress).

Selection will be based on a comprehensive and holistic review of application materials, including written essays, GPA, Test Scores, and other evidence of scholastic ability and academic achievement. *It is recommended that applicants have a minimum GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale, or an equivalent academic credential from a recognized international university.*

**Submit the application and supporting materials via email to your respective college associate dean and cc the assistant. Their contact information is below:**

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