

Financial Aid Administrator Online Training

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Title	Date	Time - PST	Description	Registration Link	Provider	Business Solutions
Programs for Foster Youth Overview	9/3/25	9:00 AM	This presentation for high school and college staff, as well as community advocates, provides a basic overview of the California financial aid programs available to foster youth: Foster Youth Access Award, Cal Grant B for Foster Youth, and the Chafee Grant.	https://csac-ca.gov.zoom.us/j/9125573496?pwd=ZWVDeYkRwckA	California Student Aid Commission	
Cost Saving Strategies – Reducing Costs at the Grocery	9/3/25	10:00 AM	Grocery expenses often make up a significant portion of household budgets, but with a bit of knowledge and planning, these costs can be managed—and even reduced—without sacrificing nutrition or quality. In this session, we will explore practical, actionable strategies for saving money on your grocery bill, from savvy shopping habits to leveraging technology and understanding store psychology.	https://www.ecmc.org/schools/training.html	ECMC	
Portfolio Navigator - Default Management Features and Functionality	9/3/25	11:00 AM	Portfolio Navigator - our free federal delinquency and default management resource is back by popular demand – our customers asked, and we've delivered. Portfolio Navigator is free to our ScholarNet customers. Not a ScholarNet customer, join us for this short webinar to learn how you too can take advantage of this free resource. If you are not already familiar with Portfolio Navigator, join us to learn how easy it is to use. In as little as an hour a month, you can create emails and letters to be sent to borrowers past due on their Direct Loan payments. If the date and time does not work with your schedule, please visit our website for additional dates and times. www.myscholar.net	https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/b3b28b4c-edca-4818-b91f-d21b25573496@5a5b9e61-20b2-4578-8f37-246881fa0d61	ScholarNet	Yes
CA Dream Act Application (CADAA) line-by-line	9/4/25	9:00 AM	This presentation is helpful for anyone assisting students and their families with CA Dream Act Application (CADAA) completion. This webinar details the requirements of AB 540, and provides attendees with a line-by-line breakdown of the most problematic questions for students and parents. "CADAA for All" will also be introduced.	https://csac-ca.gov.zoom.us/j/9125573496?pwd=ZWVDeYkRwckA	California Student Aid Commission	
ScholarNet Features and Functionality for Schools	9/4/25	12:00 PM	ScholarNet is a proven, lender-neutral private student loan processing solution that automates loan certification and disbursement. Using a single platform, it instantly connects institutions with private student loan provider and their loan programs. With our outstanding service, many of our customers come for the technology – and stay for the people. Whether you're a new ScholarNet user, or you just need a refresher, this webinar will cover all the ScholarNet features and functionality a school may need to know.	https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/915f1c7-1d04-463e-8b4e-13d315732097@5a5b9e61-20b2-4578-8f37-246881fa0d61	ScholarNet	Yes
Middle Class Scholarship Overview	9/9/25	10:00 AM	This webinar is intended for financial aid staff at California public universities and community colleges that offer bachelor programs. Attendees will receive basic information and training on the new Middle Class Scholarship 2.0, including roster payment reporting and corrections, the recertify process, and a summary of available reports.	https://csac-ca.gov.zoom.us/j/9125573496?pwd=ZWVDeYkRwckA	California Student Aid Commission	
What is the DLP? An Overview of NASFAA's Diversity Leadership Program	9/9/25	11:00 AM	This webinar dives into NASFAA's Diversity Leadership Program (DLP). We'll explore eligibility, application details, and the details of the program. Learn how the DLP program benefits and provides selectees a robust portfolio of benefits, mentorship, and guidance on how to develop as a financial aid association leader. Complementary for NASFAA members - Requires Log In	https://www.nasfaa.org/dlp_sep25	NASFAA	
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Cost Saving Strategies – Reducing Transportation Costs	9/10/25	10:00 AM	Personal transportation is essential for many, but it can also be one of the largest ongoing expenses in a household budget. Between car payments, fuel, insurance, maintenance, and occasional repairs, transportation costs can quietly consume a significant portion of your income. During this session, we will equip you with some tips about how thoughtful planning and lifestyle adjustments can help you reduce these expenses without sacrificing your mobility or independence.	https://www.ecmc.org/schools/training.html	ECMC	
Five Ways Student Loans Impact Credit	9/10/25	12:00 PM	When your students borrow federal loans, do they understand the impact it will have on their credit reports? Unfortunately, many students don't—but they should. The actions taken on their loans will determine whether they'll have a favorable or adverse credit history. Join us as we have identified the five ways federal student loans impact credit and what borrowers can do to build a good credit history.	https://www.attigo.com/five-ways-student-loans-impact-credit-september10	Attigo by Ascendium	
Navigating Cal Grant: Training for Financial Aid Administrators - Session A	9/15/25	9:00 AM	Formerly known as Cal Grant Regional Training, Navigating Cal Grant is a three-part webinar series for college financial aid administrators. These sessions have been redesigned and streamlined in an effort to focus on Cal Grant administration and best practices. This session will cover: CSAC Updates, and Cal Grant Overview.	https://csac-ca.gov.zoom.us/j/9125573496?pwd=ZWVDeYkRwckA	California Student Aid Commission	
Navigating Cal Grant: Training for Financial Aid Administrators - Session B	9/16/25	9:00 AM	Formerly known as Cal Grant Regional Training, Navigating Cal Grant is a three-part webinar series for college financial aid administrators. These sessions have been redesigned and streamlined in an effort to focus on Cal Grant administration and best practices. This session will cover: Disbursements & Payments, and Payment Codes and Scenarios.	https://csac-ca.gov.zoom.us/j/9125573496?pwd=ZWVDeYkRwckA	California Student Aid Commission	
Uniting Personalities for a Positive Work Environment	9/16/25	9:00 AM	Everyone's perspective and behavior are based on their experiences, thoughts, and emotions. There are times when personalities clash, disagreements occur, and morale diminishes. Appreciating what makes a person "tick" can positively impact the workplace. Join us to enhance your understanding of personalities and ways to unite for better relationships at work.	https://www.attigo.com/uniting-personalities-for-a-positive-work-environment-september16	Attigo by Ascendium	

FastChoice Features and Functionality for Schools	9/16/25	12:00 PM	FastChoice offers institutions the ability to provide students and parents a starting point to research and learn more about possible private loan options. Clear and consistent private loan information is made available to borrowers through a custom user-friendly website. Whether you are a new FASTChoice user, or you just need a refresher, this webinar will cover all the FASTChoice features and functionality you need to know.	https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/89ccf9b8-78c5-492b-8e6c-835976e7e68@5a5b9e61-20b2-4578-8f37-246881fa0d61	ScholarNet	Yes
Navigating Cal Grant: Training for FAAs - Session C	9/17/25	9:00 AM	Formerly known as Cal Grant Regional Training, Navigating Cal Grant is a three-part webinar series for college financial aid administrators. These sessions have been redesigned and streamlined in an effort to focus on Cal Grant administration and best practices. This session will cover: WebGrants Reports and Tools, and Reconciliation and Program Compliance	https://csac-ca.gov.zoom.us/j/948543c-4802-40a6-b49f-0845c65f8f25@5a5b9e61-20b2-4578-8f37-246881fa0d61	California Student Aid Commission	
Cost Saving Strategies – Reducing Utility Costs	9/17/25	10:00 AM	In today's tough economic climate, where the cost of living continues to climb, reducing utility costs at home has become essential for financial health. This presentation is designed to offer practical insights and actionable tips that any household can implement to lower monthly utility bills.	https://www.ecmc.org/schools/training.html	ECMC	
Conquering Burnout: Breaking the Cycle of Stress	9/17/25	11:00 AM	Have you ever explored the science of stress and burnout? This presentation provides practical strategies to manage and mitigate stress by completing the stress cycle, addressing societal pressures, and promoting emotional well-being. With actionable advice and relatable anecdotes, it empowers you to break free from the cycle of exhaustion and lead more balanced, fulfilling lives.	https://citizensbank.webex.com/webappng/sites/citizensbank/webinar/webinarSeries/register/88b424edfcb54904a948933bdf4d914b?adobe_mc=TS%3D1748546232%7CMCMID%3D50216379073951996980539262871094638183%7CMCORGID%3D4C30C375C3822E7F000101%2540AdobeOrg	Citizens Bank	
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Let's Talk: Enrollment Cliff: Now What and Its Impact on Financial Aid	9/18/25	9:00 AM	Let's talk about the challenges and successes of supporting enrollment goals as the nation grapples with the enrollment cliff.	https://www.nasfaa.org/blueicon_lets_talk	Blue Icon Advisors (NASFAA)	
Winning the Race to Achieve Your Goals	9/18/25	12:00 PM	Goal setting gives us a sense of meaning and purpose and it triggers our drive. However, setting a goal is only part of the equation—achieving it is the most challenging step. Whether you've had success with goal setting or not, this session can help you identify ways to finish what you've started. We'll share several strategies for winning the race including maintaining motivation, utilizing willpower, and developing new habits.	https://www.attigo.com/achieving-the-race-to-achieve-your-goals-september18	Attigo by Ascendium	
Dream Act Service Incentive Grant (DSIG). 2025/26 applications are now open!	9/18/25	2:30 PM	The 2025-26 DSIG application is open! This informational webinar for high school staff and college Financial Aid Office staff provides an overview of the Dream Act Service Incentive Grant (DSIG). The DSIG program allows eligible Cal Grant awardees who filed the California Dream Act Application to earn financial aid money via volunteer/community service. Attendees will learn about the student process for applying to the DSIG program; qualification criteria for participating organizations; and how the program is administered by CSAC.	https://csac-ca.gov.zoom.us/j/948543c-4802-40a6-b49f-0845c65f8f25@5a5b9e61-20b2-4578-8f37-246881fa0d61	California Student Aid Commission	
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2026-27 FAFSA Application Update	9/23/25	11:00 AM	The 2026-27 FAFSA Cycle is almost upon us! Join us for this webinar, as we review what's changed and what has stayed the same in the 2026-27 application. Our presenters will work to familiarize viewers with the FAFSA, discuss common application errors, and provide helpful insight.	https://www.collegeaidservices.net/webinars/	College Aid Services	
Creating a New Default Prevention Strategy with Cohort Catalyst®	9/23/25	12:00 PM	The anticipated storm is here. Student loan repayment has been flooded with changes to repayment plan rules, legal challenges, processing delays and errors, and extraordinarily long wait times to reach servicer support. Millions of borrowers entered repayment at the same time while facing numerous economic challenges. As such, delinquencies and defaults are escalating. With so much at stake, schools need new default prevention strategies to address the new storm. Join this important session to learn how Cohort Catalyst can help borrowers understand their options and achieve repayment success.	https://www.attigo.com/creating-a-new-default-prevention-strategy-with-cohort-catalyst-september23	Attigo by Ascendium	Yes
Cost Saving Strategies – Reducing Digital Expense Costs	9/24/25	10:00 AM	In today's digital age, many households find themselves burdened by the cumulative costs of cable television, cell phone services, and a growing array of digital subscriptions. This presentation will provide practical, actionable strategies to significantly reduce spending in these areas—without sacrificing the entertainment, connectivity, and convenience you value.	https://www.ecmc.org/schools/training.html	ECMC	
The Fortitude to Fail Forward	9/25/25	9:00 AM	Success is rarely a straight path. It's shaped by persistence, trial, and failure, yet many of us are afraid of failing. Join us as we explore the transformative power of failure in the workplace. In this pivotal session, we'll unlock the lessons for turning setbacks into opportunities for growth, resilience, and achievement. We will also share practical strategies for creating a culture that encourages risk-taking and failing forward.	https://www.attigo.com/the-fortitude-to-fail-forward-september25	Attigo by Ascendium	
CG 101	9/29/25	1:30 PM	This webinar is for anyone seeking more information about the Cal Grant program, and provides an overview of Cal Grants A, B and C; including newer programs such as the Community College Entitlement grant, Foster Youth Access Award, Students with Dependents, and the CA Dream Act Service Incentive Grant. Cal Grant program overview and eligibility requirements will be introduced.	https://csac-ca.gov.zoom.us/j/948543c-537e-4b44-aad6-6691708af0a2@5a5b9e61-20b2-4578-8f37-246881fa0d61	California Student Aid Commission	