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## Dream Act Student Checklist

(A service for undocumented students)

### 1. APPLY

Complete online application at [www.grossmont.edu](http://www.grossmont.edu). You will receive an email confirmation of your application and have student access to WebAdvisor within one business day.

### 2. ONLINE ORIENTATION

The online orientation introduces students to Grossmont College, provides information about student services/resources and prepares you to be a successful student. Complete the online orientation by logging into WebAdvisor.

WebAdvisor

**User ID:** firstname.lastname

**Password:** 6-digit date of birth MMDDYY

*\*If you are unable to log in using this method click on "I'm new to WebAdvisor" and follow the steps to find your user ID.*

### 3. ASSESSMENT

The Grossmont College assessment is used to place new students into appropriate level English and Math courses. Use WebAdvisor to schedule an appointment to take the assessment.

*\*GUHSD students: Check with your counselor to find out if the assessment will be offered on your high school campus.*

### 4. COMPLETE AB540 AFFIDAVIT

Affidavit will be emailed to you once your application has been processed by Admissions & Records (A&R). If you do not receive a form you may pick up a California Nonresident Tuition Exemption Request at the Admissions & Records department located in the Student Services building 10.

**Bring Unofficial High School Transcript** with you. You may request your unofficial transcript in your high school's counseling office.

**Note:** If you are applying early and have not yet graduated you **MUST** submit a letter, on official letterhead, from your high school counselor or principal, verifying that you are set to graduate. Once your graduation status is posted, a new transcript or diploma must be submitted to A&R.

### 5. ONLINE ADVISING

The online advising can be accessed by logging into WebAdvisor. This interactive virtual advising session will assist you in creating your initial education plan.

Tip: New students are encouraged to take advantage of the optional advising session and meet with a counselor on campus. Appointments may be scheduled using WebAdvisor.

### 6. REGISTER FOR CLASSES

Search for desired courses and register for classes on or after your assigned registration date using WebAdvisor.

### 7. COMPLETE CALIFORNIA DREAM ACT APPLICATION

(Between January 1<sup>st</sup> and March 2<sup>nd</sup> of each year)

The Dream Act may be completed by undocumented students who meet AB540 criteria. You may complete the application at: [http://www.csac.ca.gov/dream\\_act.asp](http://www.csac.ca.gov/dream_act.asp)

**Once your application is submitted CSAC will forward your DREAM ACT application to the Grossmont College Financial Aid department to determine your eligibility for the Board of Governor's Fee Waiver (BOGW) and Cal Grant. Apply for BOGW using WebAdvisor located in the student menu under Grossmont Financial Aid.**

### 8. PAY FEES

Pay any fees due within 10 days of registration to avoid risk of being dropped for non-payment

### 9. ATTEND CLASS

Attend the first day of class. Students who are not present on the first day of class may be dropped.

AB 540 CRITERIA:

AB 540 Exempts students from paying nonresident tuition at the California State University and California Community Colleges when a student is other than a nonimmigrant alien and:

1. Attended high school in California for three or more years.
2. Graduated from a California high school or attained equivalent such as High School Equivalency Certificate issued by the CA State GED office or Certificate of Proficiency, resulting from the California High School Proficiency Examination.
3. Registration as an entering student or current enrollment at an accredited institution of higher education in CA.
4. In the case of a person without lawful immigration status, the filing of an affidavit with the institution of higher education stating that the student has filed an application to legalize his or her immigration status or will file an application as soon as he or she is eligible to do so.

Be sure to ask about Student Service Programs and campus based scholarships (must meet eligibility requirements):

- EOPS – Extended Opportunities Programs & Services (low-income and educationally disadvantaged)
- DSPS – Disabled Student Programs and Services (any type of disability)
- CalWorks (designed for students who are parents and in county programs CalWorks/TANF)

*For more information visit the Student Services link at  
[www.grossmont.edu/departments/services](http://www.grossmont.edu/departments/services)*