Working to ensure all Californians have an equal opportunity to attend and succeed in college in order to build a vibrant workforce, economy and democracy.
- College Access
- Equity
- Affordability
- Completion
Current Issues

Funding
- CA spends **21% less** than it did 10 years ago per FTE

Access
- **139,485** eligible CA residents denied admission to CSU since 2009

Cost of College
- increased by **112%** in past 10 years

Completion
- **44%** all public 2-year and 4-year
California vs. Other States

- 37th in high school graduates
- 60% of high school graduates can't apply to a public 4-year university
- 5th in 4 year university graduates
- Near the bottom in Community College completions

AVERAGE
State of Higher Education in CA: Latino Report

• Educational Attainment
• Enrollment
• Completion
California’s population

94% of Latinos under the age of 18 are native-born

1 out of every 2 youth under 18 in CA is Latino
Who is going to college?
Educational Attainment

Figure 2: Fewer than two in ten working-age Latino adults have a college degree

[Bar chart showing educational attainment percentages for various groups, with Latino having the lowest percentage]
Ineligible from the start

Source: California Department of Education

Fewer than 3 in 10 Latino high school graduates complete A-G requirements
Latinos underrepresented in every system of higher education

Latino proportion of each undergraduate student body by sector, fall 2013

percent of California population, age 18-24, that is Latino (46%)

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Latinos face significant barriers on their pathway to a college degree.

Before college, students carry challenges beyond their control.

- Low-income
- First generation college student
- Low-performing high school

Once in college, students face institutional hurdles.

- LACK OF STUDENT SUPPORTS
- BROKEN TRANSFER PATHWAY
- INSUFFICIENT FUNDING

Pre-college level courses

Only 9% of Latinos attend the top 20% highest-achieving K-12 schools.

The amount that CA's public colleges and universities receive from the state per full-time equivalent student has decreased by 21% in 10 years.
The number of Latino students placed into pre-college level coursework in one year alone could fill the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, the largest stadium in California, more than one and a half times.
What if we closed the gaps?
If we closed the gaps...

1,150,000 more adults with the skills and education to meet the state’s workforce needs

CA’s personal income would increase by more than $135 billion

an additional 790,000 four-year degrees
Policies that are helping

☑ College Preparation Activities

☑ CA Community College Student Support Services
Policies that are hindering

✓ Lack of Postsecondary Database

✓ Master Plan “eligibility”/capacity issues

✓ Lack of Support for Race-Conscious Efforts
Policies to reexamine

✓ Statewide Plan
✓ Expand A-G
✓ Modify Proposition 209
✓ Improve Remediation
✓ Expand Transfer
Policy Opportunities

- Senate Bill 15 (Block)
- Assembly Bill 770 (Irwin)
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