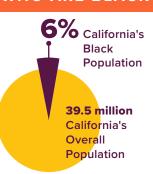
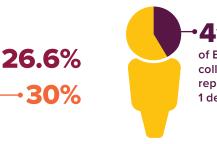
WHO ARE BLACK STUDENTS IN CALIFORNIA'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES?



While 26.6% of Black adults (ages 25 and older) in California have earned bachelor's degrees (or higher), 30% have attended college but have not earned a degree.²

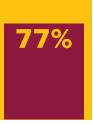


55% of the Black students who attend community college in the state identify as women. 52% are adult learners (25 years or older).³



•41.6% of Black community college students report having at least 1 dependent.⁵

The overwhelming majority (77%) of Black students attend community college part-time (fewer than 12 units in a term) due to employment, family, and other commitments.4



COLLEGE ACCESS

Nearly two-thirds of Black high school graduates are not eligible to apply for admission to the CSU or UC system because they have not completed the A-G course requirements.⁶



ENROLLED IN A COMMUNITY COLLEGE 72%

ENROLLED IN A CSU 9%

IN A UC 3%

% OF BLACK
UNDERGRADUATES ENROLLED
IN A PUBLIC COLLEGE OR
UNIVERSITY IN CA⁷



46% of Black students who transfer from a California Community College transfer to a CSU institution. 11% transfer to a UC institution.8

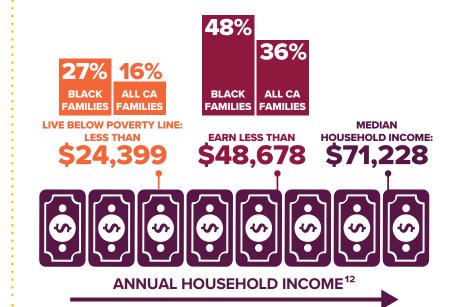
COLLEGE SUCCESS

of Black students in California
Community Colleges (CCC) who
transfer within two years

of Black students who
transfer to a public
university within six years

of Black community college
students earn a degree, certificate,
or transfer within six years

EXPOSURE TO POVERTY



PAYING FOR COLLEGE

The total cost of attendance for low-income students after tuition and fees are covered is 13

\$7,000 for a Community College

four-year institution

STATE FUNDS INVESTED PER FTES¹⁴

\$33,569

\$18,445

\$12,018

\$8,306

	ТҮРЕ	NUMBER OF BLACK RECIPIENTS	% OF TOTAL
	CALIFORNIA PROMISE	77,891	52%
FINANCIAL	PELL GRANT	35,992	24%
AID AWARDED TO BLACK COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS BY TYPE:15	GRANTS (Non-Pell)	28,070	19%
	LOANS	4,374	3%
	SCHOLARSHIPS	1,884	1%
	WORKSTUDY	1,199	1%
	TOTAL	149,410	

INSTITUTIONAL RECEPTIVITY

The ratio of **BLACK STUDENTS** to tenured **BLACK PROFESSORS** is

The ratio of WHITE STUDENTS to tenured

WHITE PROFESSORS is 16

1:131 1:55

California's Community Colleges

1:46 = 1:16

1:32 # 1:8

- ¹SOURCE: US Census ²SOURCE: US Census
- ³SOURCE: California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office MIS Data Mart. Analysis based on AY 2018-2019
- ⁴SOURCE: California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office MIS Data Mart. Analysis based on AY 2018-2019
- ⁵SOURCE: Community College Success Measure (CCSM), 2015-2019
- 6-11SOURCE: Campaign for College Opportunity "State of Higher Education for Black Californians" 2019 report
- 12SOURCE: US Census
- ¹³SOURCE: Campaign for College Opportunity "State of Higher Education for Black Californians" 2019 report
- ¹⁴SOURCE: Community College League of California 2020 Fast Facts
- ¹⁵SOURCE: California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office MIS Data Mart. Analysis based on AY 2018-2019
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RECOMMENDATIONS

- Increase the Cal Grant to Cover the Total Cost of Attendance
- Update Cal Grant eligibility requirements to meet the needs of today's college student (e.g., adult learners who attend part-time)
- Allow Students to Use the Cal Grant to attend Out-of-State Institutions (Portable Cal Grant)
- Add race as a metric to determine the amount of funding colleges receive by way of the Student-Centered Funding Formula and Student Equity and Achievement funding
- Maintain State investments in Student Equity and Achievement
- Allocate COVID-19 stimulus monies with a raceconscious* perspective
- Equitize funding across public postsecondary education for lower division courses
- Address and eliminate obstacles that currently prevent many Black students from learning about and completing the financial aid process

*NOTE: "Race Conscious" – recognizing the realities of race for people of color and the ways in which institutional racism shapes educational access, opportunity, and success in both historical and contemporary U.S. contexts.

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