Returning Domestic Student Applicants (including DREAM/DACA students) 
2017-2018 Financial Aid Application Procedures

- To ensure you receive a financial aid letter by mid-June, please submit all required forms by the stated deadline. Late applications will be reviewed when received.
- Pomona College uses the College Board IDOC Service for tax return and verification form submissions. The service will be available after November 1.
- You are only required to submit tax forms if you did not use FAFSA IRS data retrieval. Tax transcripts will be required if you are selected for federal verification.

Deadline: April 15

☐ CSS Profile: http://student.collegeboard.org/profile (School Code 4607) Available October 1
  - Noncustodial Parent Profile (NCP). For students whose parents are divorced or separated. See waiver instructions prior to contacting our office for a petition request.

☐ FAFSA http://www.fafsa.ed.gov (School Code 001173) Available October 1
  - IRS Data Retrieval Tool – Use this tool to import your data directly from the IRS

☐ Signed Copy of Parent(s)’ 2015 Federal Tax Returns or Parent Non-Filing Statement
  - Include all schedules and form(s) W-2

☐ Signed Copy of Student’s 2015 Federal Tax Returns or Student Non-Filing Statement
  - Include all schedules and form(s) W-2 to IDOC

☐ Signed 2017-18 Verification Worksheet to IDOC
  - Available online November 1

☐ Signed 2015 Business Tax Returns (if applicable) to IDOC
  - If your parent(s) own all or part of a Corporation, S-Corporation or Partnership, they must submit a complete and signed copy of 2015 IRS Form 1120, 1120S or 1065, with K-1s and all related schedules.

☐ Signed Non-Custodial Parent 2015 Federal Tax Returns or Parent Non-Filing Statement
  - Include all schedules and form(s) W-2

CA Residents Applying for Cal Grants: March 2

Details on applying for the California State Grant can be found here: http://www.csac.ca.gov/doc.asp?id=48

☐ Complete and submit the online Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or the California Dream Act Application

☐ File a certified grade point average (GPA) with the California Student Aid Commission
Returning International Student Applicants
2017-18 Financial Aid Application Procedures

International Students that were admitted to Pomona College with financial aid must apply to renew their financial aid award for each academic year. International Students that did not apply for financial aid at the time of admission are ineligible to apply for financial aid.

**Deadline: April 15**

- **CSS Profile:** [http://student.collegeboard.org/profile](http://student.collegeboard.org/profile) - School Code 4607 – Available 10/01/15
  - OR International Student Financial Aid Application (ISFAA)

- **International Student Certification of Finances**

- **Signed, Translated Copy of Parent(s)' 2015 Income/Tax Documents** or Parent Non-Filing Statement

- **Signed, Translated Copy of Student's 2015 Income/Tax Documents** or Student Non-Filing Statement

- **Signed, Translated Copy Non-Custodial Parent 2015 Income/Tax Returns** or Parent Non-Filing Statement

Application materials are available for download from our website: [http://www.pomona.edu/financial-aid/applying-for-aid/international-aid](http://www.pomona.edu/financial-aid/applying-for-aid/international-aid)

**Important to Note:**

**Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP):** All international students at Pomona College are required to enroll in the College’s Student Health Insurance Plan:

- Students that are enrolled in SHIP and receive financial aid will be offered a grant to cover half of the cost of the insurance premium.
- A loan may be requested to cover the remaining half of the premium or this amount will be included on their Fall semester bill/payment plan.
- Please refer to the enrollment instructions and deadlines that will be provided by the Dean of Students Office in early Summer.
SPECIAL NOTES FOR THE 2017-2018 FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION CYCLE

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- **Parents and students** will be required to report income information from their 2015 income information, rather than their 2016 income information.
- Parents and students are strongly encouraged to use the IRS data retrieval tool when submitting the 2016-17 and 2017-18 FAFSA. Conflicting data between the two academic years could result in the loss of need based financial aid for 2016-17 and required repayment by the student of any disbursed federal and/or state financial aid.
- Assets are still to be reported as of the date the FAFSA was filed, not previous year data.

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What can you expect?

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  - Change in household size and number in college (we still do not count graduate students in college for institutional financial aid)
  - Change in reported assets
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