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1. If the state did not use tax dollars to subsidize community colleges, what would the real cost per unit be for community college students in California to attend school? How does this compare to other states?

Answer: The real cost of funding a full-time student in California is approximately \$5000 per student per year. A full-time student is calculated as someone who is taking 24 units, so that would be slightly more than \$208 per unit. This is less expensive than most states. Probably, the principal reason is the efficiency gained by the large number of students California educates in its community colleges.

2. What initiatives is the Chancellor's office working on that affect AB540 students? Are there any resources you would recommend for AB540 students to support their academic success?

Answer: The Chancellor's Office supports the Dream Act both on the state and federal level. When I was a Senator, I supported and voted for AB 540, which gave undocumented students the status of in-state students. The only resource for undocumented students are loans and private scholarships. Unfortunately, they are not eligible for federal funds at the present time.

3. What opportunities are there for students to get involved in the Student Success Task Force? Where can students find more information about the Task Force?

Answer: Students can voice their opinions to the Student Success Task Force through their representative on the task force. That is Alex Pader, Student Senate President. Information about the task force can be found at <http://www.cccco.edu> Students can express their opinions at <http://studentsuccess.ideascale.com/>