

IRS TAX DEADLINE UPDATE: The IRS has postponed various deadlines for residents of San Diego County. Refer to this announcement to see if you qualify.

If you need to download last year's 2022 1098-T tax form during this time (or from earlier years), please send an e-mail request to etax@sdccd.edu and include your Student ID with your request and use your e-mail on your student record for security purposes.

#### Q: What is the 1098-T tax form?

A: The 1098-T tax form is a Tuition Statement provided by higher education institutions to all eligible students who pay enrollment fees (including non-resident tuition) during the calendar year. The 1098-T form may be used by students or parents to claim the American opportunity tax credit (AOTC) or Lifetime Learning Credit on their federal income tax returns.

More information on the 1098-T form can be found at: <a href="https://www.irs.gov/forms-pubs/about-form-1098-t">https://www.irs.gov/forms-pubs/about-form-1098-t</a> or by contacting the IRS at: 1-800-829-1040.

### Q: When will the 2023 1098-T tax form be available for eligible students?

A: Eligible students who selected "Electronic" delivery of their 1098-T tax form can download their 2023 1098-T tax form after 6:30 a.m. PST on January 22, 2024 on the student portal at <a href="mailto:mySDCCD">mySDCCD</a> (<a href="https://myportal.sdccd.edu">https://myportal.sdccd.edu</a>). An e-mail will be sent to students who selected "Electronic" delivery with instructions for download.

Eligible students who did not select electronic delivery will have their 2023 1098-T tax form mailed to them on January 31, 2024.

- Q: I signed up for "Electronic" delivery of the 1098-T form (e-Tax), where do I go online to obtain my 2018 and earlier 1098-T form?
- A: The online e-Tax system is no longer available for students to download 1098-T tax forms from 2018 and earlier, as the San Diego Community College District has migrated to a new administrative system.

To retrieve your 1098-T form from 2018 and earlier, please send an e-mail request to etax@sdccd.edu and include your student ID number, full name, and ensure you are using the e-mail address associated with your student record for security purposes.

#### Q: How do I know if I am eligible to receive a 2023 1098-T tax form?

A: Students who paid for their enrollment fees, including non-resident tuition, less any refunds or California College Promise Grants (CCPG, formerly Board of Governors Waiver or BOGW) during the 2023 calendar year (January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023) can expect to receive a 2023 1098-T tax form.



- Q: I am an international student and paid enrollment fees and non-resident tuition last year. Will I also receive a 1098-T tax form?
- A: International students who did *not* have a Social Security Number (SSN) or an Individual Tax Identification Number (ITIN) on their student record will *not* receive a 1098-T tax form, unless requested, per IRS 1098-T Instructions.

International students can request a 2023 1098-T tax form by sending an e-mail request to <a href="mailto:etax@sdccd.edu">etax@sdccd.edu</a>. Note: use the e-mail you have on file for security purposes. The production of a 2023 1098-T tax form for international students <a href="mailto:can take up to 15 business">can take up to 15 business</a> days. Please take this production time into consideration for the April 15<sup>th</sup> tax deadline.

- Q: I did not receive a 2023 1098-T tax form, why not?
- A: There are several reasons why a student may not receive a 1098-T tax form:
  - 1) If you received a California College Promise Grant (CCPG), then no 1098-T form was issued as the CCPG waived your enrollment fees.
  - 2) If you attended in Spring 2023 and paid your enrollment fees in November or December 2022, then your enrollment fees were included on your **2022** 1098-T form
  - If a third party paid for all your enrollment fees, then you would not receive a 1098-T form.
  - 4) If you paid your enrollment fees but dropped all your classes and received a refund during 2023, then you would not receive a 2023 1098-T form.
  - 5) If your mailing address on record is out of date, your 1098-T form may have been returned. Please go to mySDCCD student portal to verify your address and update your contact information.
- Q: Why is my Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) required for the 1098-T tax form?
- A: Federal regulations require students to furnish their Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) for federal reporting requirements. These requirements apply to any student, regardless of whether the student seeks or intends to seek the American opportunity tax credit (formerly "Hope credit") or Lifetime Learning Credit.

A student who does not provide their SSN or ITIN upon request by the educational institution may be subject to a fine imposed by the IRS.

- Q: How can I add or correct my SSN/ITIN on my student record?
- A: Submit documentation to the college securely online. Your Social Security/Individual Tax Identification Number is maintained in a secure manner and WILL NOT be visible or released to third parties for any reason.
  - Access the Student Personal Information Update Form at: <a href="https://mysdccd.atlassian.net/servicedesk/customer/portal/4/group/73/create/51">https://mysdccd.atlassian.net/servicedesk/customer/portal/4/group/73/create/51</a>



- Fill in all the required information, and under "Student Information Update" check the box for "Social Security Number (SSN)/Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN)."
- 3. In the Attachment section, upload the following two documents:
  - a. Government-issued photo ID with Name and Date of Birth, AND
  - b. Any ONE of the following:
    - Social Security Card
    - Letter from Social Security Administration indicating your Social Security Number (SSN)
    - Letter from IRS indicating your Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN)
    - Military DD-214
- Q: Why does the "STUDENT'S social security number" field on my 1098-T tax form display "NOT PROVIDED" rather than my Social Security Number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number?
- A: Students who did <u>not</u> provide their Social Security Number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number when they applied to San Diego City, Mesa or Miramar College will have "NOT PROVIDED" in the "STUDENT'S social security number" field on their 1098-T tax form. See above for instructions to provide your SSN/ITIN.
- Q: What is San Diego City, Mesa, and Miramar College's Federal Tax ID number?
- A: San Diego City, Mesa, and Miramar Colleges are in the San Diego Community College District (SDCCD) and all three colleges have the same Federal Tax ID number filed under SDCCD. The Federal Tax ID number can be found on the 1098-T tax form in the "FILER'S federal identification no." field.
- Q: I was a student last year but did not receive a 1098-T tax form for 2023 because my enrollment fees were waived. How do I obtain San Diego City, Mesa, or Miramar College's Federal Tax ID number?
- A: Please submit a request for the Federal Tax ID to the <a href="mailto:etax@sdccd.edu">etax@sdccd.edu</a> e-mail address. Please indicate your name, CSID number, and the reason for your request in the e-mail. Please also use your e-mail address on your student record for security purposes.
- Q: Why am I receiving a 1098-T tax form when I never attended San Diego City, Mesa, or Miramar Colleges?
- A: If you took a Fire or Police continuing education class, there is a strong possibility the class was offered through one of our colleges and your class fees were enrollment fees.
- Q: What is included as payments received for qualified tuition and related expenses (Box 1) on the 1098-T tax form?



A: Qualified tuition and related expenses (Box 1) for community colleges includes enrollment fees and non-resident tuition, less any refunds and California College Promise Grants (CCPG) during the calendar year.

The following expenses do <u>not</u> qualify as tuition and related expenses (Box 1) for community colleges: 1) health fees; 2) books; 3) room and board; 4) parking permits; and 5) bus passes.

- Q: How do I claim a tax credit and am I required to do this?
- A: College staff cannot determine if you qualify for a tax credit or respond to tax questions. Please contact the IRS for more information at <a href="https://www.irs.gov">www.irs.gov</a> or at 1-800-829-1040 or consult your tax preparer.
- Q: Why isn't Box 8 (at least half-time status) checked on my 1098-T tax form?
- **A:** Box 8 is checked if you were enrolled in *any* of the following:
  - a minimum of 6 units during Spring 2023 or
  - a minimum of 3 units during Summer 2023 or
  - a minimum of 6 units during Fall 2023
- Q: I am not eligible to receive a 1098-T tax form. Can a 1098-T tax form be still produced for me?
- A: Per IRS regulations, educational institutions **cannot** produce a 1098-T tax form for students who are not eligible to receive one.
- Q: Whom do I contact if I have additional questions?
- A: Please send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:etax@sdccd.edu">etax@sdccd.edu</a> (use your e-mail address on your student account for security purposes) and include your name and CSID number with your question. You will receive a response within 1-2 business days (during peak periods, the response time may be longer).

<u>IMPORTANT</u>: Due to heavy volume, please plan to submit your questions no later than Monday, April 1, 2024 to receive an answer in time for you to complete your taxes.