Here are some resources available to foreign scholars.

ftb.ca.gov – California Franchise Tax Board Website

Part-year resident and nonresident – Information from our website

540NR Booklet – Tax Return Forms and Instructions

540NR - California Nonresident or Part-Year Resident Income Tax Return (fillable) – Tax Return

540 NR California Adjustments — Nonresidents or Part-Year Residents (fillable) – Schedule to determine Total Income and Deductions and California Source Income and Deductions

Residency and Sourcing Technical Manual

IRS.GOV

IRS Publication 4011 – Foreign Student Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Guide, for volunteers but has some good information in it. Treaties for example.