

Filing the FAFSA®

Financial aid starts with the FAFSA®



Completing and submitting a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) is the single most important thing you can do to get financial aid.

What do you need?

If you're a dependent student, you'll need this information for you and your parents.

- ✓ You will need an FSA (Federal Student Aid) ID to sign the form electronically. **You can create an account and get your FSA ID at studentaid.gov**
- ✓ Your Social Security number
- ✓ Your W-2 tax documents
- ✓ Your parents' Social Security numbers
- ✓ Your parents' tax documents
- ✓ Independent students and graduate students will need their own tax documents.

If your financial aid status has changed, please complete and submit the FAFSA® using the required tax year as directed, then follow up with your school's financial aid office for further advice.

To be eligible for federal financial aid, you must file the FAFSA for each year you'll be in school.

Submit the FAFSA® at studentaid.gov

Submission time frames and tax information*

Academic year
2022 – 2023

Submit your FAFSA® beginning
October 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023
You can use your tax info from **2020***

Academic year
2023 – 2024

Submit your FAFSA® beginning
October 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024
You can use your tax info from **2021***

Academic year
2025 – 2026

Submit your FAFSA® beginning
October 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026
You can use your tax info from **2023***

*Source: FAFSA application submission time frames and required tax information are projected based on information provided at <https://studentaid.gov/apply-for-aid/fafsa/fafsa-deadlines>.