



How do I apply for federal student aid?

To apply for federal student aid, you need to complete the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) at **www.fafsa.gov**. Completing and submitting the FAFSA is free and quick, and it gives you access to the largest source of nancial aid to pay for college or career school.

When do I complete the FAFSA?

If you plan to attend school in the fall, you should apply for aid by completing the FAFSA as soon as possible after Jan. 1 of the year you plan on attending.

A few things to remember:

- To receive federal student aid for the 2015–16 award year, the deadline for submitting the FAFSA is June 30, 2016.
- You need to apply as soon as you can! Schools and states often use FAFSA information to award nonfederal aid. Their deadlines are usually early in the year. Check with the schools 10 0 0 10 36 46.10 36 46.10 36 46.12.5(dA)1!4.3554 644.0.8(k49.3(e w)4 early in the year.

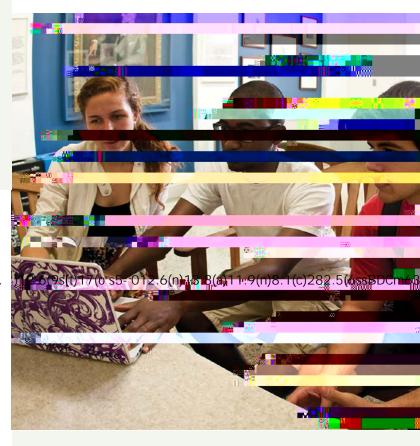


What's an award letter?

If you applied for admission to a school and have been accepted (although not all schools require students to be accepted before telling them of their eligibility for aid), and you listed that school on your FAFSA, the school will calculate your aid and send you an electronic or paper "award letter" telling you how much aid you're eligible to receive at that school. The timing of the award letter varies from school to school and could be as early as springtime (awarding for the fall) or as late as immediately before you start school. It depends on when you apply and how the school prefers to schedule awarding of aid.

How much will I get?

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TYPES OF FEDERAL STUDENT AID

There are three categories of federal student aid: grants, work-study, and loans.

Grants: Money that doesn't have to be repaid. For more information on grants, visit StudentAid.gov/grants.

Program	Eligibility and Program Details	Award Amounts (subject to change)
Federal Pell Grant	For undergraduates with nancial need who have not earned bachelor's or professional degrees; in some cases, however, a student enrolled in a postbaccalaureate teacher certication program might receive a Federal Pell Grant.	Up to \$5,730 For details and updates, visit StudentAid.gov/pell-grant
	A student can receive a Federal Pell Grant for no more than 12 semesters or the equivalent (roughly six years).	
Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)	For undergraduates with exceptional nancial need; Federal Pell Grant recipients take priority; funds depend on availability at school.	Up to \$4,000 For details and updates, visit StudentAid.gov/fseog
Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant	For undergraduate, postbaccalaureate, and graduate students who plan to become teachers; recipient must sign Agreement to Serve saying he or she will teach full-time in a high-need eld for four complete academic years (within eight years of completing the academic program) at an elementary school, secondary school, or educational service agency serving children from low-income families.	Up to \$4,000 For details and updates, visit
	If recipient does not satisfy this requirement, all TEACH Grants must be repaid as Direct Unsubsidized Loans with interest accrued (accumulated) from date the grant was rst disbursed (paid to student).	