2022-2023 FAFSA Filing



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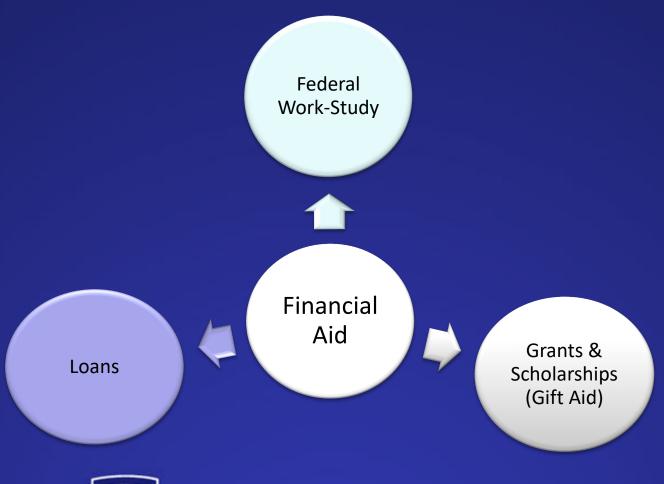


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- > Financial Aid Programs
- How and When to Apply
 - Filing the FAFSA
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 - Questions and Answers



What is Financial Aid?





Federal Work Study (FWS)

- Eligibility determined through the FAFSA
- Most jobs worked on campus & hours are based on student schedule
- Students earn wages
 - Funds are not applied to a student's billing account
- Part-time jobs or UG Assistantships
- Earn more than just a degree!
- Valuable networking opportunities



Gift Aid

- Scholarships
 - Institutional/Outside

- Grants
 - Institutional
 - Federal Pell
 - Federal Supplemental Opportunity Grant (SEOG)
 - N.Y.S. Tuition Assistance Program (TAP)

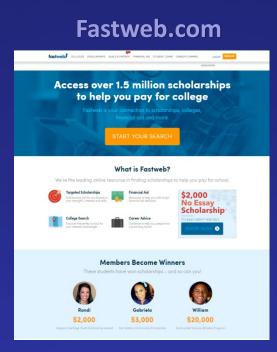




Scholarship Search Sites

Finaid.org





Scholarships.com



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Loans

- Federal Education Loans
 2021-2022 rates
 - Stafford Loans
 Subsidized and Unsubsidized
 (3.73% interest rate, 1.059% orig. fee)
 - Parent Plus Loan
 (6.28% interest rate, 4.228% orig. fee)
- Alternative/Personal Student Loans (variable rates and terms)
- Home Equity Loan



Note: 2022-2023 rates will be available July 1st 2022



Financial Aid Timeline 2022-2023

September - December of Senior Year in HS

- Student and one parent apply for FSA ID studentaid.gov/FSAID
- File Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
 Available as of October 1 www.studentaid.gov
- NYS Residents- File Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) application
 Available as of October 1 www.HESC.ny.gov
 - College Scholarship Service (CSS) Profile Application

 Available October 1, not required by Hofstra
 - Apply for outside scholarships





Financial Aid Timeline

January- March

- Please file your FAFSA by February 1
- Colleges/universities begin to send out financial aid award packages
 (FAFSA filing deadlines and timing of award notifications will vary between schools)
 - Complete verification (if required) and other requested forms (proof of citizenship, selective service)

April-May

- Pay tuition/housing deposits and accept/decline financial aid by the National Candidate Reply Date of May 1
 - Complete loan applications and requirements after May 1



Who is eligible for Federal Aid?

- U.S. citizens and eligible non-citizens, such as permanent residents, are eligible to file the FAFSA and receive Federal Aid
- Males between the ages of 18 and 25 must register with Selective Service <u>www.sss.gov</u>
- Students must have a valid Social Security Number
 - If a parent does not have a SSN, enter zeroes on the FAFSA
- Deferred Action (DACA) students are not eligible to file a FAFSA and are not eligible for federal financial aid.



Why file the FAFSA?

- It's free!
- It determines eligibility for federal grants, loans and work study
- Some states, including New York, require it as the first part of an application process for financial aid from that state
- Some colleges and private organizations require it for consideration of scholarships and grants



What will you need to file the FAFSA?

Collect the documents needed for both the student and parent(s):

- All sources of 2020 taxed and untaxed income such as income tax returns, W2 forms, benefit statements, etc.
 Use the IRS Data Retrieval to simplify the process!
- Asset information such as your most recent bank statements, investments, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, etc.
- Social Security numbers
- Student driver's license (if applicable)
- Alien registration number (if applicable)





FAFSA FAQs

Q. Can a student choose to report 2021 information?

- A. No; you must report info for the year the FAFSA asks for
- Remember: Certain items on FAFSA are "as of today," so you must read each question and fill out accordingly
- If questions are answered incorrectly, your FAFSA could be selected for Verification

Q. What if my family's financial situation changed since 2020?

A. Speak with the colleges you are accepted to and add on your FAFSA Each school may handle these situations differently

Most colleges have a special form/process for this



Home Page

https://studentaid.gov

Complete the FAFSA® Form

Use the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form to apply for financial aid for college or graduate school.

New to the FAFSA® Process?

Completing the FAFSA form is free. Fill it out now.

Start Here

Returning User?

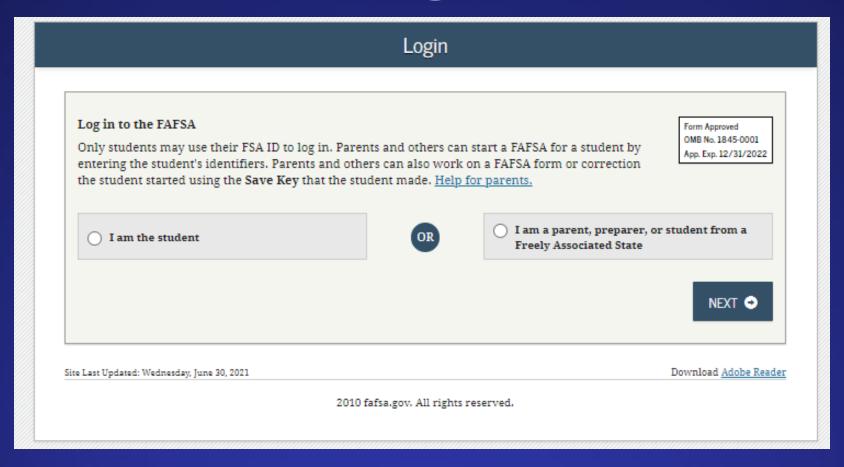
Correct info | Add a school

View your Student Aid Report (SAR)

Log In



Login





FAFSA FAQ

Q. I can only send the FAFSA to 10 colleges online, what if I need to send the FAFSA to more?

A. You can change the codes by going back into the FAFSA online or call 1-800-4-FED-AID and do it over the phone. By doing this, you are actually removing some of the previous schools listed and therefore future changes to the FAFSA will only be sent to the 10 schools most recently listed on the FAFSA.



Who is considered a parent?

A legal parent includes a biological or adoptive parent, or a person that the state has determined to be your parent (for example, when a state allows another person's name to be listed as a parent on a birth certificate). Grandparents, foster parents, legal guardians, older brothers or sisters, widowed stepparents, and aunts and uncles are not considered parents unless they have legally adopted you.

Parents' Marital Status:	Provide Information for:
Never Married	The parent that you lived with most during the last 12 months. If you did not live with one parent more than the other, provide information about the parent who provided more financial support during the last 12 months, or during the most recent year that you actually received support from a parent.
Unmarried and both parents living together	Both of your parents
Married	Both of your parents
Remarried (after being widowed or divorced)	Parent and Stepparent
Divorced or Separated	The parent that you lived with most during the last 12 months. If you did not live with one parent more than the other, provide information about the parent who provided more financial support during the last 12 months, or during the most recent year that you actually received support from a parent.
Widowed	Your parent

FAFSA FAQs

Q. My parents are separated or divorced and living apart, whose information do I put on the FAFSA?

A. You should report the information for the parent who you lived with the most over the past 12 months, regardless of who claims you on their income tax return.

Q. Do parents have to be *legally* separated to file the FAFSA as separated?

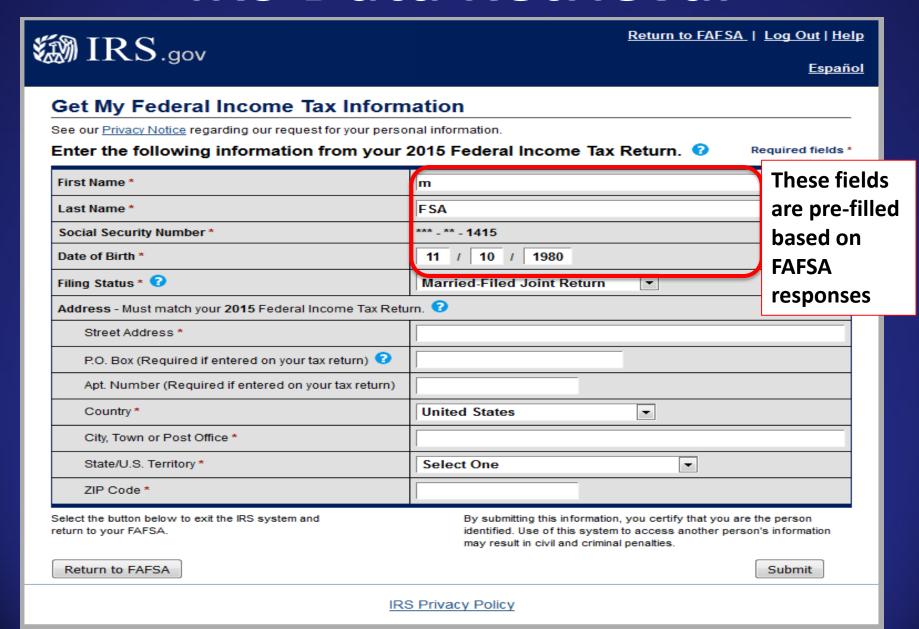
No. Colleges may ask for proof of separate residences such as a copy of a lease and utility bills.

Q. My step-parent is not responsible for supporting me, why do I have to report his/her information on the FAFSA?

A. If the parent you reside with is re-married, federal regulations require you to report your step-parent's information on the FAFSA.



IRS Data Retrieval



IRS Data Retrieval



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Español

Parent 2015 Federal Income Tax Information

The information below is your tax information that will help you answer some of the questions on the FAFSA.

	My Tax Information	FAFSA Question Numbers 😨	
Tax Year	2015		
Name(s)	Gdit Data		
Social Security Number	*** - ** - 2656		
Filing Status	Married-Filed Joint Return	Question 82 on the FAFSA	
Type of Tax Return Filed	1040	Question 81 on the FAFSA	
Adjusted Gross Income	\$33,400	Question 85 on the FAFSA	
Income Earned From Work 😯	\$35,430	Your filing status indicates you may need to split this amount and enter it in two places on the FAFSA. Parent 1: Question 88 on the FAFSA and/or Parent 2: Question 89 on the FAFSA	
Income Tax	\$8,900	Question 86 on the FAFSA	
IRS Exemptions	1	Question 87 on the FAFSA	
Education Credits	\$5,900	Question 93a on the FAFSA	
IRA Deductions and Payments	\$4,400	Question 94b on the FAFSA	
Tax-Exempt Interest Income	\$4,650	Question 94d on the FAFSA	
Untaxed IRA Distributions 🕜	\$7,900	Question 94e on the FAFSA	
Untaxed Pensions 🕡	\$6,900	Question 94f on the FAFSA	

Print this page for your records before choosing an option below.

Transfer My Tax Information into the FAFSA

The tax information provided above will populate the answers to the appropriate FAFSA ques After the FAFSA is populated your IRS session will end and you will return to your FAFSA. Check this box if you are choosing to transfer your information.



By clicking the "Do Not Transfer" button, you are choosing not to transfer your tax information electronically. Your IRS session will end and you will return to your FAFSA. You may still use this tax information to input the data into your FAFSA.





Assets

Asset net worth means current value of the assets minus what is owed

Assets include:

- Money in cash, savings, and checking accounts
- Businesses
- Investment farms
- Other investments, such as real estate (other than the home in which you live), UGMA and UTMA accounts for which you are the owner, stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, etc.

Assets do not include:

- The home in which you live
- UGMA and UTMA accounts for which you are the custodian, but not the owner
- The value of life insurance
- Retirement plans (401[k] plans, pension funds, annuities, non-education IRAs, Keogh plans, etc.)



FAFSA FAQ

Q. How are 529 plans reported on the FAFSA?

A. 529 plans are reported under the "owner" as an investment, not the beneficiary. If the parent is the owner, it is reported under the parent investment question. If the parent has more than one 529 plan for various members of the family including siblings of the student, the total value of <u>all</u> plans must be reported under the parent.

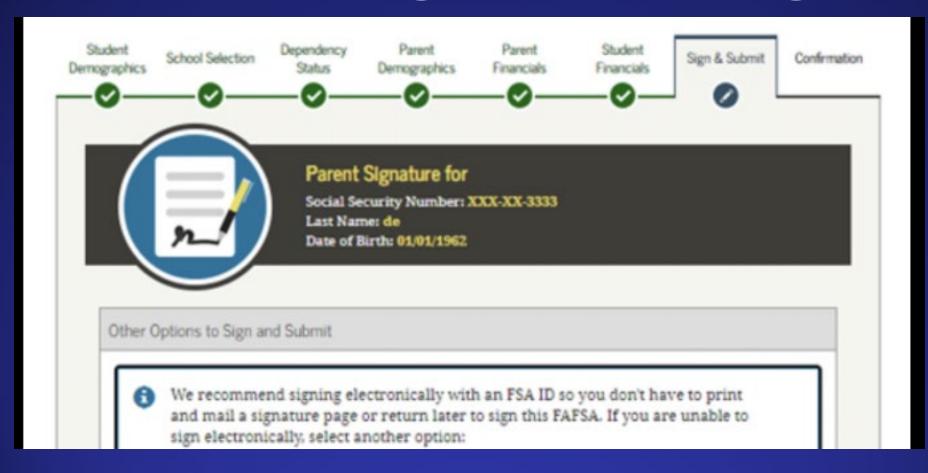


Student Signature Page

Student School Selection Dependency Status Demographics Parent Financials Financials Sign & Submit Confirm Status Sign & Submit Confirm Social Security Number: XXX-XX-4545 Last Name: last Date of Birth: 06/06/2000 What is your (the student's) FSA ID? Do not enter the FSA ID if you are not the student. FSA ID Username. E-mail Address. or Mobile Number BenTest45 Forgot Username Create an FSA ID FSA ID Password SIGN THIS FAFSA SIGNATURE STATUS NEXT NEXT O SIGNATURE STATUS				Signature	Options			. (3
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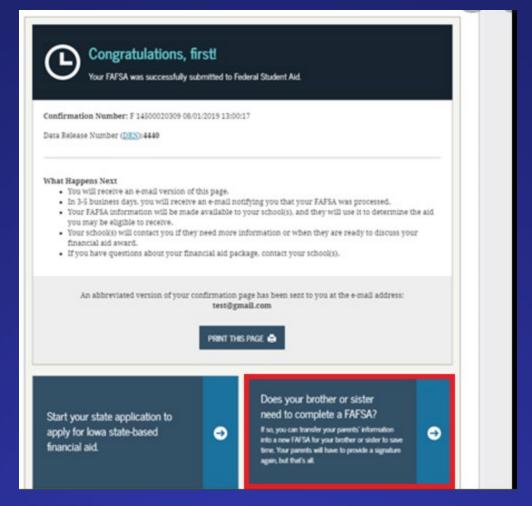


Parent Signature Page





Confirmation Page





What Happens Next?

- After your FAFSA is processed, you will receive a Student Aid Report (SAR) with *estimated* eligibility. This report will also include your EFC (Expected Family Contribution).
 - Each school listed on your FAFSA will receive the information you submitted. If accepted for admission, the college (s) will calculate/prepare a financial aid package.
- Further details regarding your awards and other required documents will be provided within the aid package.
- Accept or decline the aid offered to you and return the response to the aid office as early as possible, but no later than May 1.



Typical Undergraduate Financial Aid Process Summary

Fall Semester Senior Year In High School	After October I st	January- March	April- May	
Student and one parent apply for FSA ID which is needed to sign the FAFSA www.studentaid.gov/FSAID I-800-433-3243 Inquire about scholarship/grant application processes at college(s) www.hofstra.edu/scholarship 516-463-8000 Males must register for Selective Service upon reaching the age of I8 years old (students can check "register me" on the FAFSA) www.ssss.gov	File the FAFSA earlier! www.studentaid.gov 1-800-433-3243 (Hofstra's preferred deadline is February Ist) For students entering college in Fall 2022, file the 2022-2023 FAFSA using 2020 Tax Returns Apply for state aid NY State: link following the FAFSA www.hesc.ny.gov 1-888-697-4372	Many Colleges/Universities begin to send out financial aid packages Complete verification if required, request student and parent federal tax return transcripts from the IRS www.irs.gov/transcript I-800-908-9946 Submit other requested forms (proof of citizenship, selective service)	Accept/decline financial aid no later than May Ist, the National Reply Date, and pay tuition & housing deposits (sooner if required by the college(s)) In May, student completes federal Stafford Loan Entrance Counseling & Master Promissory Note www.studentaid.gov I-800-557-7394 In May, parent completes federal Parent PLUS Loan Application Request & Master Promissory Note www.studentaid.gov	
If required by college, file the CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE after October 1st (fee required) www.collegeboard.com 305-829-9793 (not required by Hofstra)	the use of visitors to the web s maintained by their respective responsible for their content. I over the other, nor does Hofs	organizations and they are solely Hofstra does not favor one link tra endorse or profit, in whole or services offered or promoted by	In May, if participating, student and cosigner completes alternative loan application www.finaid.org/loans/privatestude ntloans.phtml	

Verification?

- Your SAR (Student Aid Report) will notify you if you have been selected by the FAFSA processor and the college (s) you apply to will also be notified.
 - Submit signed 2020 income documentation
 - Request copies of 2020 federal "Tax Return Transcripts" in advance <u>IRS.gov/transcript</u>
 - Oon't miss out!
 - Additional aid may be offered upon completion of verification
 - Aid may be adjusted based on corrections



FAFSA Tip

Should I hire a consultant to help me file the FAFSA?

- We do not recommend paying a fee when you can get the help you need, right from the source, for free.
- Specialized FAFSA representatives are available to assist you step-by-step through the application at 1-800-4-FEDAID (1-800-433-3243) or by clicking the "Live Help" button to chat with a FAFSA representative.



FAFSA Tips

What are some common mistakes students and families make when completing the FAFSA?

- Not asking for help, call 1-800-4-FEDAID, utilize the FAFSA online chat, or use the self-service buttons throughout the FAFSA
- File the correct FAFSA for the correct aid year
- Do not use nicknames- use the name as spelled on the SS card
- Use correct Social Security numbers and date of births
- Do not list parent income/information under the student section
- Make sure both student and parent signatures go through
- If your address has changed, update your admission application



Helpful Links for Financial Aid Resources:

- Hofstra Aid: <u>hofstra.edu/sfs</u>
- Federal: https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/
- NY State: <u>www.hesc.ny.gov</u>
- General: <u>www.finaid.org</u>

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Questions?

