

## Helpful Financial Aid Links

**Federal financial aid information.** Grants, loans, work study, scholarships, aid eligibility. Once students have taken out loans, they can log in here to keep track of loan balances, repayment options.

<https://studentaid.gov/>

**How financial aid works and process.** General timeline – see specific institutions for their timelines.

<https://studentaid.gov/h/understand-aid/how-aid-works>

**Creating an FSA ID.** The student **AND** at least one parent will need an FSA ID and password to complete and sign the FAFSA. <https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/personal-info>

**Completing the FAFSA.** Application to be considered for federal and state financial aid programs, make corrections, add school codes. <https://studentaid.gov/apply-for-aid/fafsa/filling-out>

**Federal Loan pre-requirements.** Prior to students receiving their first federal loan, they need to complete the following:

Student Loan Entrance Counseling: <https://studentaid.gov/entrance-counseling/>

Master Promissory Note: <https://studentaid.gov/mpn/>

**Minnesota Office of Higher Education.** Minnesota specific financial aid. <https://www.ohe.state.mn.us/>

**Scholarship offered by Minnesota Institutions.** Links to scholarships, deadlines, requirements at Minnesota institutions. <https://www.mometrix.com/blog/scholarships-for-college/>

**Scholarship tips and links to scholarships.** Also look at the institutions to which the student is applying. <https://www.stcloudstate.edu/huskiesscholarships/national-scholarships.aspx>

*Please contact me with any questions. I am happy to help!*

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