

Graduate Student Financial Aid News Flash

Fall 2025

The **2026-2027** Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is Coming October 1!

- Don't have an FSA ID yet? Create one on the [Federal Student Aid website](#) before starting your FAFSA.
- If you're filing for the first time, have your Social Security number ready and be sure to use your legal name (as it appears on your Social Security card).



Priority submission deadline for the 2026-2027 FAFSA: November 15, 2025

- A FAFSA walkthrough of the 2026-2027 FAFSA is coming soon! In the meantime, check out our other helpful videos on the [Pace Financial Aid YouTube Channel](#).



Important Financial Aid Changes - Effective July 1, 2026

- The **Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan** (which you don't need a credit check for) will still be available:
 - Up to **\$20,500 per year**
 - Total graduate level loan limit: **\$100,000**
- If you already have a **Federal Graduate PLUS Loan** before July 1, 2026, you can keep borrowing under the old rules (up to the full cost of attendance minus all other financial aid) for up to 3 years or until you graduate, whichever comes first.
- Graduate PLUS Loans will no longer be available for first-time borrowers after July 1, 2026.



Satisfy your 2025-2026 Financial Aid Requirements Now!

Log into your **Pace Portal** to complete remaining financial aid requirements for 2025-2026!



Don't Lose Aid Over Attendance!

Federal aid eligibility is based on attending and participating in your classes.

- ✓ Go to all your classes to avoid issues with registration or financial aid.
- ✓ Professors must take attendance once each semester. If you don't attend or participate, you could be dropped for non-attendance.



Check your Email!

Stay in the loop and check your Pace email often!

That is where we'll send important financial aid information and updates, so be sure to read and reply when needed.

Don't ignore emails!

Contact the Financial Aid Office

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Phone: (877) 672-1830 | [Submit a Help Desk Ticket](#) | [Schedule an Appointment](#)