



## PART-TIME STUDIES FINANCIAL AID

Investing in a college education is a major financial decision. Many students need to look beyond their own resources or those of their employer for assistance. A Fairfield education offers a lifetime of benefits, both personally and professionally, and its value will far exceed the expenses involved. Listed below is important information about the financial aid process.

### FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION

Students seeking financial aid for their program should submit the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA) online at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov) soon after being admitted into a program. Once a FAFSA application is received by Fairfield University, it will take four to six weeks to process a financial aid award.

Part-time students have several aid programs available to help finance an education at Fairfield University. Visit our web page [fairfield.edu/ptaid](https://fairfield.edu/ptaid) for more information.

### ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for federal aid programs, students must:

- Be matriculated into a degree-granting program
- Be enrolled at least half-time (six credits)
- Be a U.S. citizen or an eligible noncitizen
- Meet various federal regulatory requirements

### FINANCING OPTIONS

#### DIRECT LOANS

[studentloans.gov](https://studentloans.gov)

- Must have official FAFSA for desired academic year – [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov)
- Complete both the Master Promissory Note (MPN) and Entrance Counseling with FAFSA PIN number

#### DIRECT PLUS LOANS

*(for parent of dependent students only)*

[studentloans.gov](https://studentloans.gov)

- Must have official FAFSA for desired academic year – [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov)
- Complete credit check and PLUS Master Promissory Note (MPN) with parent FAFSA PIN number
- If not approved, the student can qualify for additional Direct Unsubsidized Loan fund
- Deferred payment options
- Can borrow up to the cost of attendance

#### ALTERNATIVE STUDENT LOANS

[fairfield.edu/loans](https://fairfield.edu/loans)

- Credit-based with co-signer options
- Deferred payment options
- Variable or fixed rates, fees vary
- Can borrow up to the cost of attendance

### PAYMENTS

[fairfield.edu/bursar](https://fairfield.edu/bursar)

The Office of the Bursar is responsible for the Accounts Receivable of the University, which includes all student accounts among many other areas of University finances. The student accounts area is specifically responsible for issuing the student bills, processing receipts, and responding to inquiries.

The Bursar's office is located in McAuliffe Hall. Business hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Summer hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Fridays the office closes at noon.

### VETERAN'S PRIDE PROGRAM

Veterans may apply educational benefits to degree studies pursued at Fairfield University. Fairfield has a long history of working with veterans, and we have recently introduced our Veteran's Pride Program, which further enhances tuition benefits for qualified veterans. Visit [fairfield.edu/veterans](https://fairfield.edu/veterans) to learn more.

### FINANCIAL AID COUNSELOR CONTACT

We recognize that each student has unique academic and career goals, and distinctive financial circumstances when planning to further their education. We encourage all students to speak with a Financial Aid Counselor.

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