

2024 Admitted Student Day

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RU Ready? Enroll Now!

Take the next step and confirm your attendance for fall 2024 at Rutgers University-Newark!

- Log into your applicant portal at go.rutgers.edu/portal
- Click “View Status”
- Declare your decision by selecting “Accept Offer”
- Click “Submit My Decision”
- Pay \$150 enrollment fee, if applicable

Next Steps:

- Activate your NetID – netid.rutgers.edu *(if you haven't already)*
- Download DUO app and set up 2-factor
- Complete all “My Enrollment” tasks on My.Rutgers.edu
 - Your My.Rutgers.edu dashboard and associated widgets may take up to 72 hours after accepting our offer of admission to be fully accessible.
 - Signing up for Student Orientation Advisement and Registration (S.O.A.R) on ‘My Enrollment’ is a key required task



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Applicant Admissions Portal

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TODAY'S FINANCIAL AID 101 AGENDA

Financial Aid Offers Letters – available Mid-May

Net Price Calculator – easy to use and available to estimate your educational costs!

One-to-One Financial Aid Advisement is available

2425 FAFSA Questions

Applying for Financial Aid—FAFSA or NJ Alternative Application

FAFSA Review

- Eligibility
- Deadlines
- Unusual and Special Circumstances
- Student Aid Dashboard
- Making Corrections

NJ Alternative Application Review

- NJFAMS Details

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UNDERSTANDING YOUR RUTGERS FINANCIAL AID OFFER

Join us for a **post-Admitted Student Day Virtual workshop** for all admitted students! All 2024-2025 financial aid packages are anticipated to be distributed by early May, and the Office of Financial Aid is offering one-on-one workshops to help students and families better understand their aid package.

Please be sure to register to secure your spot!

Location: On-Campus Event @Blumenthal Hall 249 University Avenue, Newark NJ 07106

Time: 9 am to 12 pm

Date: Saturday, May 18, 2024

Location: Virtual

Time: 5 pm to 7 pm

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

Location: Virtual

Time: 5 pm to 7 pm

Thursday, May 23, 2024



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Net Price Calculator Rutgers University

We anticipate releasing financial aid packages for admitted students by mid-May. While you await your financial aid package, we are pleased to announce we have launched a [new net price calculator](#) (NPC) designed to assist with your planning by providing you with a personalized **estimate** of your cost to attend Rutgers University. The calculator is simple to use, and it takes less than 5 minutes to get your estimated package!

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Net Price Calculator Rutgers University

Help us answer a few questions and get a tailored estimate in minutes!

- 1 Answer 8-12 questions to get your estimate
- 2 See cost and financial aid that's tailored to your situation
- 3 View scholarships, grants and resources to help you pay

[Start new estimate](#)

[I already have an estimate](#)

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[Net Price Calculator](#)



2024-2025 FAFSA FAQs

1. I made a mistake on my FAFSA application. What should I do?
2. When will I know how much financial aid I am eligible to receive?
3. Is there a way for me to obtain an estimated financial aid offer?
4. Can I submit a financial aid appeal?
5. How do I contact the Office of Financial Aid?
6. Will there be an opportunity to review my aid offer with the Office of Financial Aid, once available?

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APPLYING FOR FINANCIAL AID

FAFSA

OR

NJ ALT APP

The screenshot shows the FAFSA website interface. At the top, it says 'Federal Student Aid' and 'AN OFFICE OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'. Below this, there's a main heading 'Get Money to Pay for School' with a subtext 'Use the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form to apply for financial aid for college or graduate school.' There are two buttons: 'Start a New Form' and 'Edit Existing Form'. Below that, there's a section for 'Check FAFSA® Deadlines for the State You Live In' with dropdown menus for 'School Year' and 'State of Residence', and a 'Find Deadlines' button. At the bottom, there are three informational boxes: 'Who Should Complete This?', 'How Long Will it Take?' (with a clock icon and '1 hr'), and 'What Do I Need?' with a list of requirements.

The screenshot shows a flowchart for the NJ Dreamers application process. It starts with 'Quick Links' containing 'Apply for State Aid' and 'NJ Grants and Scholarships'. An arrow points to a blue box titled 'NJ Dreamers' with the text: 'If you qualify as an NJ Dreamer, you can apply for state aid to be used here in New Jersey. The eligibility details and the NJ Alternative Financial Aid Application are a click away and HESAA remains available to help you apply!'. Below this is a 'Get Started Here' button. Another arrow points to a light blue box titled 'How to Apply' with three steps: 'Step 1 Create a login for the NJ Financial Aid Management System (NJFAMS)', 'Step 2 Access your NJFAMS Account', and 'Step 3 For Spring 2024 only, select "Apply Online for New Jersey Financial Aid (NJ Dreamer Students Only)" to complete the Academic Year 2023-24 application by February 15, 2024.' Below the steps is a 'Get Started' button.

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2024-2025 FREE APPLICATION FOR STUDENT AID

Get Money to Pay for School

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

2024-25 FAFSA Form

Start a New Form Edit Existing Form

Need to access last year's form? Start or Edit a 2023-24 Form

Check FAFSA* Deadlines for the State You Live In

Some states and colleges use FAFSA information to award their own grants, scholarships, and loans. Check your state's deadlines here!

School Year State of Residence Find Deadlines View All FAFSA Deadlines

Who Should Complete This?

Any student, regardless of income, who wants to be considered for federal, state, and school financial aid programs, which includes scholarships, grants, loans, and Federal work-study.

How Long Will it Take?

It takes most people less than an hour to complete, including gathering any documents or data needed.

What Do I Need?

- Verified StudentAid.gov account
- Social Security Number
- Parent or spouse contributor email addresses
- Income and asset information, if required

What is the FAFSA?

- The [Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#) is the form a student must fill out to get any financial aid from the federal government to help pay for college.

HOW TO APPLY

- Online at [studentaid.gov](#) (new and continuing students)
- PDF Paper FAFSA. Download, complete, and mail it in
- Create your FSA ID to start the process. Students and all contributors must have an FSA ID to complete the FAFSA form.

How long will it take to complete the FAFSA?
45 minutes to 1Hr.

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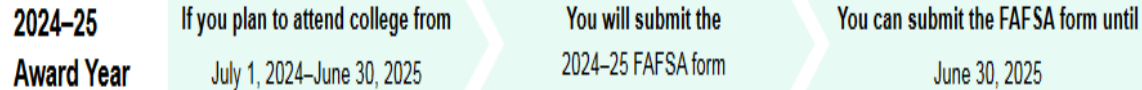
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FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

When should I apply?

Each year, the FAFSA form is available for the next school year. You'll need to reapply for aid every year you are in school. Here's a summary of key dates for submitting the FAFSA form depending on when you plan to go to school:



THE FAFSA INCLUDES THESE TERMS/SEMESTERS OF ENROLLMENT

- ✓ Fall 2024
- ✓ Winter 2024
- ✓ Spring 2025
- ✓ Summer 2025

FAFSA AND NJ ALTERNATIVE APPLICATION



Hey!! Don't forget to...

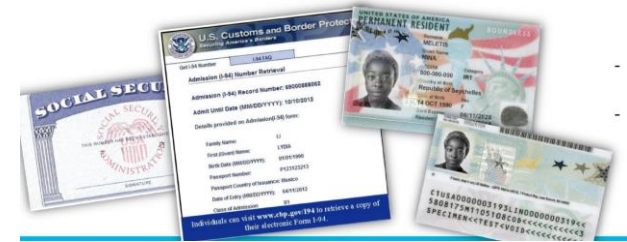
CONT. STUDENTS PRIORITY FILING DATE IS **JANUARY 15, 2025**

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FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)



WHO SHOULD COMPLETE THE FAFSA?

GENERAL eligibility **REQUIREMENTS** include:

- U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen
- Enrolled in an eligible degree or certificate program at an eligible college or career/trade school
- Have a valid Social Security Number (student)
- Show you qualified to obtain a college education (HS Diploma, GED, completing a high school education in a homeschool setting approved under state law)

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WHOSE INFORMATION is REQUIRED on the FAFSA

The FAFSA is a role-based form. Everyone completing the FAFSA has a role and specific section that requires their information, consent, and approval to complete the FAFSA.

ROLES and CONTRIBUTORS

There are five roles associated with the FAFSA. Each role is considered a contributor to information in the FAFSA form. Each role will contribute data and consent to their identity validation, consent, and approval of their Federal Tax Information (FTI) disclosure.

The Contributors must provide the required information and sign their respective section for a FAFSA form to be considered complete.

1. **Student:** Their role is to be an applicant unless they are invited to the form by a parent or preparer. If they are invited to the form, their role changes to that of the contributor.
2. **Student Spouse:** If the student's current marital status is married or remarried, the student's spouse information is required. If the couple filed joint returns, the student may complete the FAFSA independently, providing the spouse's information. If they filed separate returns. The spouse must be invited to contribute their data on the FAFSA.
3. **Parent:** Dependent status is determined based on personal circumstance questions answered on the FAFSA by the person who started the FAFSA – it can be the student or a dependent student's parent.
4. **Parent Spouse or Partner:** Remarried, married filing separately, unmarried/married and both legal parents are living together
5. **Preparer:** someone other than the student, student spouse, parent, or parent's spouse/partner completing the form on the student's behalf.

**Once all required data has been provided and all sections have been signed, any role can submit the FAFSA form.



DEPENDENCY STATUS: DEPENDENT STUDENT

Dependency is based on the answers provided by the student on the FAFSA form.

DEPENDENT STUDENTS must provide parental information on the FAFSA unless the student has an unusual circumstance that would prevent them from providing this information.

If a student answered NO to all the personal and unusual circumstance questions, they are considered a dependent student.

INDEPENDENT STUDENTS are not required to provide parental information on the FAFSA. The student must answer YES to at least one of the personal and unusual circumstance questions to be considered an independent student.

FAFSA FORM 2024-25 Student Raya Tran

Personal Circumstances Demographics Financials Colleges Signature

Student Personal Circumstances

Select all that apply.

- The student is currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for purposes other than training.
- The student is a veteran of the U.S. armed forces.
- The student has children or other people (excluding their spouse) who live with them and receive more than half of their support from the student now and between July 1, 20XX and June 30, 20XX.
- At any time since the student turned 13, they were an orphan (no living biological or adoptive parent).
- At any time since the student turned 13, they were a ward of the court.
- At any time since the student turned 13, they were in foster care.
- The student is or was a legally emancipated minor, as determined by a court in their state of residence.
- The student is or was in a legal guardianship with someone other than their parent or stepparent, as determined by a court in their state of residence.
- None of these apply.

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FAFSA FORM 2024-25 Parent

Personal Circumstances Demographics Financials Colleges Signature

Student Other Circumstances

At any time on or after July 1, 2023, was the student unaccompanied and either (1) homeless or (2) self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?

Yes No

Did any of the following determine the student was homeless or at risk of becoming homeless?

Select all that apply.

- Director or designee of an emergency or transitional shelter, street outreach program, homeless youth drop-in center, or other program serving those experiencing homelessness.
- The student's high school or school district homeless liaison or designee.
- Director or designee of a project supported by a federal TRIO or GEAR UP program grant.
- Financial aid administrator (FAA).
- None of these apply.

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STUDENT UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES—YES

The student is asked if unusual circumstances prevent them from contacting their parent(s).

What happens when the student selects “**YES?**”

In unusual circumstances, an aid administrator can determine that a student who doesn’t meet the criteria should still be considered independent.

The student may then skip the parent sections on the form.

Students who select “Yes” to this question will be given a provisional independent student status and directed to provide documentation to their financial aid office for determination.

The screenshot shows the FAFSA 2024-25 form for 'Parent of Raya Tran'. The progress bar indicates the user is on step 1, 'Personal Circumstances'. The current section is 'Student Unusual Circumstances'. A green box contains the text: 'This information will help us evaluate the student's ability to pay for school.' Below this, a question asks: 'Do unusual circumstances prevent the student from contacting their parents or would contacting their parents pose a risk to the student?'. A list of examples follows: 'A student may be experiencing unusual circumstances if they' followed by a bulleted list: 'left home due to an abusive or threatening environment;', 'are abandoned by or estranged from their parents and have not been adopted;', 'have refugee or asylee status and are separated from their parents, or their parents are displaced in a foreign country;', 'are a victim of human trafficking;', 'are incarcerated, or their parents are incarcerated and contact with the parents would pose a risk to the student; or', and 'are otherwise unable to contact or locate their parents and have not been adopted.' Below the list, a note states: 'If the student's circumstances resulted in not having a safe and stable place to live, they may be considered a homeless youth and should review the answer to the previous question about being unaccompanied and homeless.' At the bottom, there are two radio buttons: 'Yes' (which is selected) and 'No'. Navigation buttons for 'Previous' and 'Continue' are also visible.



DEPENDENCY STATUS: DEPENDENT STUDENT

Once all the personal and unusual circumstances are answered. You will be notified of your dependency status and whose information is required on the FAFSA.

DEPENDENCY STATUSES

- “No” to all questions = dependent
- “Yes” to at least one question = Independent
- Provisional Independent: A student with an unusual circumstance may be granted a provisional independence status and must work with their school’s Financial Aid Office to finalize their dependency status.

A FEDERAL DIRECT UNSUBSIDIZED LOAN ONLY

The student is asked if they want a financial aid administrator to determine their eligibility for a Direct Unsubsidized Loan only. This is an option if the student’s parents are unwilling to provide information.

THIS QUESTION IS NOT DISPLAYED TO AN INDEPENDENT STUDENT.



FAFSA® FORM 2024-25 Student Raya Tran Save FAFSA Menu

1 Personal Circumstances 2 Demographics 3 Financials 4 College 5 Signature

Student Dependency Status

Dependent Student

Based on your answers, you're a dependent student, and since we assume parents of dependent students will help pay for your education if they are able, we need information about their finances and backgrounds. This information is used to determine how much financial aid you're eligible to receive.

Apply for a Direct Unsubsidized Loan Only

Are the student's parents unwilling to provide their information, but the student doesn't have an unusual circumstance that prevents them from contacting or obtaining their parents' information?

Select "Yes" if the student wants a financial aid administrator at their school to determine their eligibility for a Direct Unsubsidized Loan only.

Yes No

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2024-2025 FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA) UNUSUAL AND SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE

DETERMINATION OF INDEPENDENCE BECAUSE OF UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES

The FAFSA calls for a series of [dependency questions \(circumstance questions\)](#), and the student's response to these questions will determine dependency and if parental information is required on the FAFSA. An aid administrator may use PJ on a case-by-case basis to adjust the student's dependency status on the FAFSA by completing an override, thus making the student independent and removing parental required information on the FAFSA.

Unusual circumstances DO include:

- Human trafficking, as described in the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.).
- Parental abandonment or estrangement; or
- Student or parental incarceration.

Unusual circumstances DO NOT include:

- Parents refuse to contribute to the student's education.
- Parents will not provide information for the FAFSA or verification.
- Parents do not claim the student as a dependent for income tax purposes.
- The student demonstrates total self-sufficiency.

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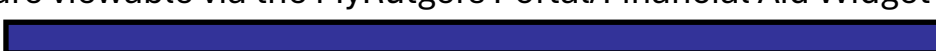
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2024-2025 FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA) UNUSUAL AND SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE

SUBMITTING A REQUEST – UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCE

Complete the form online: <https://scarlethub.rutgers.edu/financial-services/professional-judgement/>

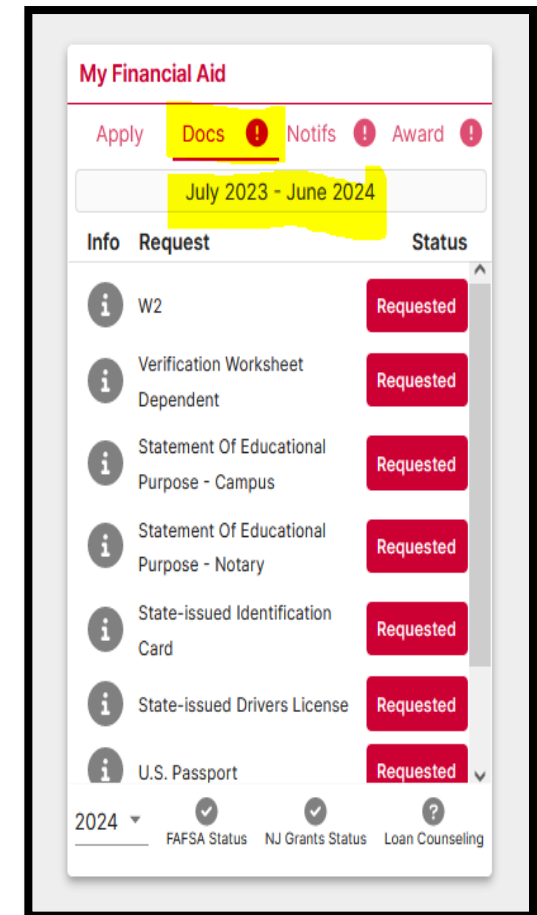
1. 48-72 hours, the student will be tracked for documentation. The documents are viewable via the MyRutgers Portal/Financial Aid Widget under Docs. 

2. Required documents must include the following:

1. Statement from the student outlining their circumstance

2. Third-party letter - this letter should be from a professional removed from the circumstance who can reaffirm the student's circumstance

3. EXAMPLE DOCUMENTATION: Court documents, state /federal documents, Official HS documents, utility bills, health insurance, or other documents that demonstrate a separation from parents or legal guardians.



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2024-2025 FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA) UNUSUAL AND SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE

DEFINING SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

An aid administrator may use Professional judgment on a case-by-case basis to adjust the student's cost of attendance or the data used to calculate their Federal Student Aid eligibility. This adjustment is valid only at the school making the change.

The law (HEA Sec. 479A) gives some examples that MAY be considered:

- Change in employment status, income, or assets.
- Tuition expenses at an elementary or secondary school.
- Medical, dental, or nursing home expenses not covered by insurance.
- Child or dependent care expenses.

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2024-2025 FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA) UNUSUAL AND SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE

A student may have both a Special and an Unusual Circumstance. Financial Aid Administrators (FAAs) may appropriately adjust each student's situation with appropriate documentation.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://scarlethub.rutgers.edu/financial-services/professional-judgement/>. The page title is "Financial Services" and the breadcrumb trail is "Home / Financial Services / Professional Judgement". The main heading is "Professional Judgment Request (Formerly Change in Family Circumstances)". Below the heading, there is a paragraph explaining that some students and families experience changes in their households that may impact their ability to contribute to educational expenses. It states that submitting a Professional Judgment (PJ) Request Form (Formerly known as Change in Family Circumstances [CIFC] form) will allow students to address those issues and decide if a change in eligibility is warranted. A form for the academic year in which you wish to appeal for additional aid must be completed and submitted for review. Additional documentation will be requested in order for the form to be reviewed. Below this text, there is a red button labeled "2023-2024 PJ Request Form" which is circled in blue. To the left of the main content, there is a sidebar with a "I want to..." dropdown menu and several links: "APPLY FOR AID", "How to Apply", "Financial Aid for Summer Courses", "Parent's Guide to Applying for Financial Aid", "Forms & Documents", "Loan Acceptance", and "COVID-19 Emergency Assistance Funding". At the bottom left, there is a red banner that says "The 2024-2025 FAFSA is available!". At the bottom right, there is a teal button that says "QUESTIONS? ASK SCARLET".

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2024-2025 FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

This is the main FAFSA form landing page. On this page, students or contributors are directed to "Start a New Form" or "Edit Existing Form."

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Federal Student Aid AN OFFICE OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FAFSA Loans & Grants Repayment Loan Forgiveness

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2024-25 FAFSA Form Start a New Form Edit Existing Form

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What Do I Need?

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- Parent or spouse contributor email addresses
- Income and asset information, if required

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WELCOME – WHAT IS YOUR ROLE

Federal Student Aid AN OFFICE OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION


FAFSA® Form ▾ Loans and Grants ▾ Loan Repayment ▾ Loan Forgiveness ▾


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FAFSA® FORM 2024-25

Welcome, Natalia,
to the FAFSA® Form

I am starting the FAFSA form as a

Student 

Parent 



FAFSA INSTRUCTIONAL VIDEO

The students and the contributors will be presented with four short instructional videos before starting the FAFSA form.

1. What is the FAFSA Form?
2. Contributors to the FAFSA Form
3. What to Expect?
4. After Submitting the FAFSA Form



START THE FORM

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THE STUDENT'S REQUIRED INFORMATION

The student must complete the following sections to complete their section of FAFSA.

1. Personal Circumstances

1. Current marital status
2. Student College or career school plans
3. Student unusual circumstance
4. Dependency status – apply for Direct Unsubsidized Loan only

2. Demographics

1. Gender
2. Race and ethnicity
3. Citizenship
4. Parent Education
5. Parents were killed in the line of duty
6. student HS completion status

3. Financial

1. Amount of college grants/scholarships or AmeriCorps (reported to IRS)
2. Foreign Earned Income Exclusion

4. Colleges

5. Signature



IF MARRIED, THE STUDENT SPOUSE INFORMATION IS REQUIRED

THE FAFSA WILL BE BROKEN OUT INTO THESE FOUR SECTIONS:

- ✓ **PERSONAL IDENTIFIERS** – Name, DOB, and SSN or ITIN. Provides consent and approval to FA Data Exchange.
- ✓ **DEMOGRAPHICS** – Marital status, state of legal residence,
- ✓ **FINANCIAL** – Federal benefits, family size, number in college, Tax Return Information, child support received, and assets.
- ✓ **SIGNATURE** – The parent acknowledges the terms and conditions of the FAFSA form and signs their section. After agreeing and signing, the parent can submit their section of the FAFSA.

SPOUSE – has five questions to answer IF they filed separate tax returns.

1. Student Identity Information – Name, DOB, SSN, or ITIN
2. Contact Information
3. Tax Filing Status
4. Tax Return Information – this information comes directly from FA Data Exchange with the IRS
5. Consent, approval, and signature



DEPENDENT, PARENT'S INFORMATION REQUIRED

THE FAFSA WILL BE BROKEN OUT INTO THESE FOUR SECTIONS:

- ✓ **PERSONAL IDENTIFIERS** – Name, DOB, and SSN or ITIN. Provides consent and approval to FA Data Exchange.
- ✓ **DEMOGRAPHICS** – Marital status, state of legal residence,
- ✓ **FINANCIAL** – Federal benefits, family size, number in college, Tax Return Information, child support received, and assets.
- ✓ **SIGNATURE** – The parent acknowledges the terms and conditions of the FAFSA form and signs their section. After agreeing and signing, the parent can submit their section of the FAFSA.

PARENT CONTRIBUTOR – has 12 questions related to the dependent student.

1. Identity Information – Name, DOB, SSN, or ITIN
2. Contact Information – email address, telephone number, and permanent address
3. Current Marital Status – at the time, the application is being filed/submitted
4. Family Size (old terminology was household size)
5. Number in College (STILL REQUIRED Questions. Not calculated in SAI)
6. The State of Legal Residence determines which poverty guideline will be used when evaluating Pell eligibility for dependent students.
7. Federal Benefits received – EIC, SNAP, Qualified Health Insurance Plan (QHP), reduced lunch, housing assistance, Medicaid, WIC, SSI, or TANF
8. Tax Filing Status
9. Tax Return Information – this information comes directly from FA Data Exchange with the IRS
10. Annual Child Support Received
11. Assets- An asset is the family's property that has an exchange value (cash, savings, checking accounts, investments, real estate, businesses, and investment farm).
12. Consent, approval, and signature determines



DEPENDENT, PARENT SPOUSE OR PARTNER REQUIRED INFORMATION

THE FAFSA WILL BE BROKEN OUT INTO THESE FOUR SECTIONS:

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- ✓ **DEMOGRAPHICS** – Marital status, state of legal residence,
- ✓ **FINANCIAL** – Federal benefits, family size, number in college, Tax Return Information, child support received, and assets.
- ✓ **SIGNATURE** – The parent acknowledges the terms and conditions of the FAFSA form and signs their section. After agreeing and signing, the parent can submit their section of the FAFSA.

PARENT SPOUSE OR PARTNER QUESTIONS – Five questions.

This section pertains to the dependent student. If the student's parents are married, the spouse's information is always required on the FAFSA.

A parent, spouse, or partner is a required contributor if the following applies:

- ✓ Married/remarried and filed separate tax returns
- ✓ Unmarried and living with the student's other legal parent

These contributors will be identified on the FAFSA, and they will be invited to complete their section of the FAFSA.

1. Identity Information – Name, Dob, SSN, or ITIN
2. Contact Information – email address, telephone number, and permanent address
3. Tax Filing Status
4. Tax Return Information – this information comes directly from FA Data Exchange with the IRS
5. A consent, approval, and signature

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THE PARENT STARTS THE FAFSA

After starting the FAFSA, the parent sees the first page within the student section – Student Identity. The parent may verify the information, but they can not update it. The student would need to access their account setting on studentaid.gov.

The parent may complete the following questions on behalf of the student:

1. State of legal residence
2. Personal Circumstances (dependency questions)
3. Marital Status
4. College or career school plans
5. Student other circumstances (homeless/at risk of homelessness)
6. Unusual Circumstances

The screenshot shows the FAFSA 2024-25 interface. At the top, it says 'FAFSA FORM 2024-25' and 'Student Raya Tran'. There are 'Save' and 'FAFSA Menu' buttons in the top right. The main heading is 'Student Identity Information' with a sub-heading 'Review the information below and verify that it's correct before moving forward.' Below this is a list of fields with their values: Name (Raya A. Tran), Date of Birth (05/05/1995), Social Security Number (■■■■-■■■-1234), Email Address (raya.traan@gmail.com), and Mobile Phone Number ((555) 555-5555). At the bottom, there is a link: 'To update this information for all federal student aid communications, go to Account Settings.'



KEY GUIDANCE: Inviting Parents

- Parent invite must match
 - legal name
 - date of birth
 - SSN (if they have one) or mailing address (if they don't have an SSN)
- Email address provided for contributors does not need to match the one used for the FSA ID
- Inviting matching issues need to be fixed by the student

RECOMMENDATION: Talk through parent wizard questions before starting the FAFSA

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FINAL REVIEW BEFORE SIGNING

FAFSA[®] FORM 2024-25 Student Layla Morisseau

Exit | FAFSA Menu

Congratulations, The FAFSA[®] Form Is Complete!

Layla Morisseau

Completion Date	Data Release Number	Estimated Student Aid Index (SAI)
02/17/2024	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

The SAI is not a measure of how much student aid you'll receive or how much you'll pay for college. Schools use your SAI to determine your federal student aid eligibility.

Based on the eligibility criteria, you don't appear to be eligible for a Federal Pell Grant. However, you may be eligible for other federal, state, or institutional grants, scholarships, and/or work-study programs.

What Happens Next

- Check Your Email**
You will receive an email version of this confirmation page at the following email address: rayra.m@outlook.com.
- Track the Status of Your Form**
Check the status of your form beginning in the first half of March by logging in to your StudentAid.gov account and selecting your FAFSA submission from the My Activity section of your account Dashboard. Look for an email in the first half of March to learn when your FAFSA information has been sent to your selected schools.
- You Will Receive School Communications**
We use the information collected on your FAFSA form to calculate your Student Aid Index (SAI). The SAI lets schools determine the aid you're eligible to receive. The schools you selected on your form will receive your FAFSA information starting in the first half of March, and you'll begin receiving personalized aid information from the schools you've been accepted to several weeks later. Once received, you can contact their financial aid offices directly to ask questions about their student aid packages.

Start Your Application for New Jersey (NJ) State-based Aid

Apply for State Aid

NJ FAMS

Log in to your account. Please identify yourself with a valid User Name and Password.

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Returning Users

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- If you are still having trouble logging in, send an email with your full name, date of birth, and a description of the problem to customersupport@njfams.org.

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User Name:

Password:

Log In

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THE STUDENTAID.GOV DASHBOARD

THE STUDENTAID.GOV DASHBOARD is a one-stop, self-service portal for viewing your loans and their balances, checking who your loan servicer is, seeing the status of forms you submitted, and 24-25 FAFSA details.

Students and contributors can access their dashboard by [logging in to studentaid.gov](#) from a desktop computer/tablet or to the myStudentAid app with their smart devices.

A Federal Student Aid ID (FSA ID) and password are required to log in



PARENT VIEW – my activity on the dashboard

An official website of the United States government

Help Center | [FAFSA Form](#) | [Loans and Grants](#) | [Loan Repayment](#) | [Loan Forgiveness](#)

My Activity > FAFSA Form

2024–25 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) Form: Parent Contributor

In Progress

Actions | Edit Form

FAFSA® Information

Student
Layla Morisseau

Status Tracker

- FAFSA® Form Started**
The student should complete most of the form themselves, including their personal and financial information. You must fill out the section assigned to you. If you can't access the site due to scheduled maintenance, you will be able to log in once the site is available again. The student's data is still in the system and is secure. Once all required sections are complete, everyone must sign and submit.
- FAFSA® Form Submitted
- FAFSA® Form Processed

Started on Feb 17, 2024 | Expires on Jun 30, 2025

More Resources

- [Understand My Aid](#)
- [FAFSA Landing Page](#)
- [Information on Federal Pell Grant Program](#)
- [Information on Federal Work-Study \(FWS\) Program](#)
- [How is my eligibility determined?](#)

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THE FAFSA SUBMISSION SUMMARY

FAFSA Submission Summary Landing Page

- Upon completion, the student receives a FAFSA Submission Summary
- The FAFSA Submission Summary is broken into four tabs:
 - Eligibility Overview, FAFSA Form Answers, School Information, and Next Steps
 - At the top, the student will see information about when their form was received and processed
 - They also have the option to print their FAFSA Submission Summary to keep for their records.

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FAFSA[®] FORM 2024-25 **FAFSA Submission Summary**

Student  Raya Tran	Application Received Sept. 10, 2024	Application Processed Sept. 12, 2024	Data Release Number  2572	Viewing: Submission 1 
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[Eligibility Overview](#) [FAFSA Form Answers](#) [School Information](#) **[Next Steps](#)**



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Eligibility Overview

- On the Eligibility Overview tab, the student sees information about what federal student aid they may be eligible for, such as a Federal Pell Grant and Federal Direct Loans
- Any amounts of financial aid that display on this tab are estimates and are not guaranteed
- Final determination of the student's financial aid eligibility is provided by their school's financial aid office

Eligibility Overview FAFSA Form Answers School Information Next Steps

Estimated Federal Student Aid

Federal Pell Grant ⓘ
A Federal Pell Grant is awarded to undergraduate students who have financial need and who have not earned a degree or are in a teacher certification program. Federal Pell Grants don't need to be repaid. Up to **\$4,556**

Federal Direct Loans ⓘ
A federal direct loan is money lent by the government to you that you must repay with interest. Up to **\$4,556**

Federal Work-Study ⓘ
Federal Work-Study is a way for students to earn money to pay for school through part-time jobs on or off campus. **You May Be Eligible**

Amounts shown here are only estimates of federal student aid based on full-time enrollment and the average cost of attendance. Your school will determine how much student aid to offer you, which may include additional aid from your school or state.

[Learn more about financial aid](#)

Keep in mind, this is only an estimate
Always refer to your school's financial aid offer for a final determination of financial aid available.

Your Student Aid Index (SAI)

Your SAI is a number used by your school to determine your federal student aid eligibility and to build your financial aid offer

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[What does this mean?](#)



THE FAFSA SUBMISSION SUMMARY

FAFSA Form Answers

- On the FAFSA Form Answers tab, the student sees the answers that they and, if applicable, their contributor(s) provided on their FAFSA form
- If any of the provided answers are incorrect, the student can choose to start a correction.

Eligibility Overview **FAFSA Form Answers** School Information **Next Steps**

Your FAFSA® Form Answers

Review your responses carefully and make sure all the information you provided is correct. Start a correction to fix any errors and ensure that your form is processed correctly.

Make a Correction

Student Sections Expand All

- Introduction
Personal Identifiers
- Section 1
Personal Circumstances
- Section 2
Demographics
- Section 3
Financials
- Section 4
Colleges
- Section 5
Signature



THE FAFSA SUBMISSION SUMMARY

School Information

- On the School Information tab, the student sees information about the college(s) and/or career school(s) that they selected to send their FAFSA information
- The student can compare the graduation rate, retention rate, transfer rate, default rate, median debt upon completion, and average annual cost of their selected schools

Eligibility Overview FAFSA Form Answers **School Information** Next Steps

Find an Affordable School
Many schools offer the opportunity to attend college affordably. Learn about the costs and benefits associated with the schools you listed on your form.

[Learn More on College Scorecard](#) Showing results for family income between **\$0-\$30,000**

School Name	Graduation Rate	Retention Rate	Transfer Rate	Default Rate	Median Debt Upon Completion	Average Annual Cost
George Washington University	15%	89%	26%	64%	\$56,000	\$102,000
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	26%	76%	25%	34%	\$24,000	\$38,000
University of California, North Ridge	55%	65%	35%	15%	\$19,000	\$24,000

[View All](#)

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FAFSA AND NJ DREAMER APPLICATION DEADLINES

Application Filing Deadlines for Academic Year 2024-2025

Current Academic Year
Tuition Aid Grant Recipients:
Renewal Deadline for 2024-25

May 15, 2024

New College Students Applying
for Academic Year 2024-25

September 15, 2024

New College Students Applying
for Spring 2025 ONLY

February 15, 2025

Renewal: a student received a Tuition Aid Grant in academic school year 2023-2024.

Non-renewal: A student without a Tuition Aid Grant in the academic school year 2023-2024 or a new college student.

2025-2026 FAFSA and all future applications will be released on October 1st

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NJ Dreamers may be eligible for state financial aid with the **New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application**



A FRIENDLY REMINDER:

NJ Dreamers are students living in NJ who are not eligible for federal aid. They must meet all the following criteria:

- ✓ Attended a New Jersey high school for at least three (3) years; and
- ✓ Graduated from a New Jersey high school or received the equivalent of a high school diploma in New Jersey; and
- ✓ Can file an affidavit stating that you have filed an application to legalize your immigration status or will file an application as soon as you are eligible.

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What if the student's parents are undocumented and do not pay taxes?

- According to the National Immigration Law Center (NILC):
“All wage earners—regardless of their immigration status—are required to pay federal taxes. The IRS provides ITINs to people who are ineligible for an SSN so that they can comply with tax laws.”
- Regarding the FAFSA, the student won't qualify for any aid from the FAFSA until their parents file their taxes, regardless of their immigration status (for those parents who have an income higher than the IRS threshold). Those without an SSN will be given an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN).

What if the student's parents live in a foreign country?

- They will need to convert their currency to the U.S. Dollar and manually answer the foreign income questions.

*Foreign taxes will disqualify a student from receiving state aid

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New Jersey Residency is determined by the following:

- Individuals must reside within New Jersey for at least one year immediately before enrollment. New Jersey Administrative Code [9A:5 -1.1](#) and [9A5:-1.2](#)
- Dependent students are presumed to reside in the state where their parent(s) or legal guardian(s) reside. The New Jersey Administrative Code [9A:9-2.6](#) provides additional clarification on dependency status.
- Residency Analysis Form Instructions - The form must be filled out, signed, notarized, and submitted to the appropriate registrar's office with supporting documentation.
- **New Jersey Dream Act/Tuition Equality Act (TEA)** - Special categories of students under the Dream Act may be eligible for in-state tuition if they meet specific criteria. (H-1B Visa Dependents may be eligible for in-state tuition under this category)
- **New Jersey Tuition Equality for America's Military (NJTEAM) Act** - Students eligible for Chapter 30 – Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty (MGIB-AD) or Chapter 33 – Post 9/11 GI Bill.

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NJFAMS.HESAA.ORG - STUDENT ONLY CREATES A USER ID AND PASSWORD

Go to: <https://njfams.hesaa.org/>

Select: **“Register a New User”**



- If students have a social security number (SSN), they should use it in the account creation.
- If a student does not have a valid SSN, they should allow HESAA to create a unique identifier for them in the registration process.
- The student will verify their email address in the registration process and activation.
- Once the account is activated, the student must log in and select the 2nd option to complete the NJ Alternative Financial Aid application.
- Once they apply, they will receive a confirmation.

Log in to your account.
Please identify yourself with a valid User Name and Password.

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User Name:

Password:

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REGISTER FOR NJFAMS

- Register with or without a Social Security Number
- Use ITIN number or
- HESAA assigns a nine-digit number as an identifier

Create a Student User Account

First Name:

Last Name:

Date of Birth:

Email:

ConfirmEmail:

User Name: User Name must be at least 5 alpha-numeric characters, or a valid email address.

Password:

Confirm Password:

Drop-down menu options:
< Choose One >
Social Security Number (SSN)
Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN)
Neither

Buttons: > Create Login > Cancel/Exit

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NJFAMS Main Menu

- ALL APPLICANTS will receive an e-mail from NJFAMS when their award eligibility has been estimated and when they can begin to review their customized To-Do List.



Welcome to NJFAMS!

Check your To Do List for additional information we need to process your grant or scholarship

- ✓ To Do List
- 📄 Apply Online for New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid (Dreamer Students only)
- 📁 View and Update Your School
- 📄 Apply Online for Scholarships
- 🔔 Award and Eligibility Information
- 📧 Notifications
- 📢 Portal Announcements
- 👤 View And Update Your Contact Information
- 👤 Edit Your Profile

Your FAFSA for academic year 2022-2023 has not been received



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TO-DO LIST

All incomplete tasks and outstanding documents are listed in the “To-Do”

Items with  have been received. Items with  are **not received or incomplete.**

Electronic or By Mail

If you have documents listed below please click [HESAA Forms](#) to complete and submit the documents requested. Once you have completed your documents visit [NJGRANTS.org](#), click on "Grants" tab and select "Upload Documents" to electronically submit your documents via Mapping Xpress.

To upload the following documents, [click here](#).

- Birth certificate of the student confirming the relationship to the deceased
- Dependent Student Household Worksheet
- Documentation of Deceased's New Jersey Residency on September 11, 2001
- Documentation that deceased is registered with State or Federal Registry
- Letter from the deceased's physician stating the cause of death
- Original or Certified Copy of Death Certificate

Your To Do list is a summary of the items required for the academic year displayed at the top of the screen. Items may be shown more than once if required for more than one program.











AWARD AND ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION


Award and Eligibility Information


Your award and eligibility information for each academic year is listed below. All schools that you have listed on your FAFSA or added to your NJFAMS record are included.

Award amounts may vary by school and term. Award amounts are estimates and are for planning purposes only. The value of your grant or scholarship may change for reasons including, but not limited to appropriation funds, actual tuition charges, cost of attendance, estimated family contribution, state or federal verification and other available resources.

Funds may be limited; meeting all eligibility criteria does not guarantee you will be offered an award.

-  Your application is incomplete. Go to the [To Do List](#) to submit information for completion of your application.
Failure to respond by established deadlines will result in the loss of your Tuition Aid Grant (TAG) and other state aid programs.
-  Your application is complete and under review. Your school will determine your eligibility for this award. Check back regularly for an update.
-  You qualify for an award at the school you attend. The award amount is an estimate for planning purposes only and may change. Your school must certify your enrollment and eligibility for this award.
Failure to respond by established deadlines will result in the loss of your Tuition Aid Grant (TAG) and other state aid programs.
-  Your school has certified your enrollment.
-  Your award has been paid to the college.
-  All or a portion of the award paid to your college was reduced and funds are being returned to the state of New Jersey (HESAA).
-  You do not qualify or are ineligible for this award for the term.
-  Award pending state verification.
Failure to respond by established deadlines will result in the loss of your Tuition Aid Grant (TAG) and other state aid programs.

If you have an EOF award with a  and the award amount is zero; please contact your school's **EOF Office** for more information.

If you have a STARS, STARS II, or CCOG award with a  and the award amount is zero; please contact your school's **Financial Aid Office** for your award eligibility.

The amount of Tuition Aid Grant (TAG) that a student is eligible for varies based on the student's New Jersey Eligibility Index (NJEI). The student's NJEI is based on the income information on the FAFSA as well as the additional eligibility questions that the state requests at the end of the FAFSA or via the NJFAMS system.

Your current calculated New Jersey Eligibility Index (NJEI) for 2019-2020 is

Your current calculated New Jersey Eligibility Index (NJEI) for 2018-2019 is 0

Please see our website, www.NJGRANTS.org for questions concerning eligibility, re-evaluations or appeals.

PV = Pending Verification

INCOMPLETE TASKS or OUTSTANDING DOCUMENTS JEOPARDIZES YOUR ELIGIBILITY

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AWARD AND ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

GEORGIAN COURT UNIVERSITY

Term	Enrollment	Program	Status	Award Amount
Fall	Full-time	Educational Opportunity Fund Grant		\$0.00
Fall	Full-time	Tuition Aid Grant Program		\$6,343.00
Spring	Full-time	Educational Opportunity Fund Grant		\$0.00
Spring	Full-time	Tuition Aid Grant Program		\$6,343.00
Total Award Amount				\$12,686.00

NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Term	Enrollment	Program	Status	Award Amount
Fall	Full-time	Educational Opportunity Fund Grant		\$0.00
Fall	Full-time	Tuition Aid Grant Program		\$5,602.00
Spring	Full-time	Educational Opportunity Fund Grant		\$0.00
Spring	Full-time	Tuition Aid Grant Program		\$5,602.00
Total Award Amount				\$11,204.00

RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY

Term	Enrollment	Program	Status	Award Amount
Fall	Less than half-time	Educational Opportunity Fund Grant		\$0.00
Fall	Less than half-time	Tuition Aid Grant Program		\$0.00
Spring	Full-time	Educational Opportunity Fund Grant		\$0.00
Spring	Full-time	Tuition Aid Grant Program		\$4,828.00
Total Award Amount				\$4,828.00

SALEM COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Term	Enrollment	Program	Status	Award Amount
Fall	Not enrolled	Educational Opportunity Fund Grant		\$0.00
Fall	Not enrolled	Tuition Aid Grant Program		\$0.00
Spring	Not enrolled	Educational Opportunity Fund Grant		\$0.00
Spring	Not enrolled	Tuition Aid Grant Program		\$0.00
Total Award Amount				\$0.00