

HOW TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID

Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

- Go to www.fafsa.ed.gov.
- Sign your FAFSA electronically using your FSA ID. You can apply for a FSA ID on the FAFSA website. If you are required to provide parent information on the FAFSA, your parent will also need a FSA ID.
- Once we receive your FAFSA information, we will email you letting you know to check your Financial Aid Portal for other documents/forms that must be turned into our Financial Aid office.

Submit Requested Forms

The online [Financial Aid Portal](#) will tell you what is needed.

- Our forms can be found on our website at: <https://www.edcc.edu/finaid/forms.html>
- Your file will not be considered complete and ready for processing until all required forms and documents have been turned in.

New Students

All new students must do the following:

- Be [admitted](#) to Edmonds Community College.
- Complete the **Financial Aid Information Sheet** form (also required of returning students).
- If you want a loan, you must complete the **Loan Request section on the Information Sheet**.
- Other documents/forms may be required. Review your Financial Aid Portal carefully and often.

Be Pro-Active during the Process

Ask Questions! Contact Us! Respond to Requests!

- Files are processed based on the date of completion.
- We usually begin processing files for the new academic year in May.
- Meet the following completion dates to be processed or given a delay of payment by the start of the quarter you wish to begin. (Dates are tentative, please see our FA website for the most current dates)

Summer – June 1

Fall – August 1

Winter – December 1

Spring – March 1

Special Circumstances

If you have an unusual or special situation that makes applying for financial aid difficult or prevents you from being eligible for grants, you may qualify for consideration of special circumstances. The forms for the following circumstances can be found on our website at: <https://www.edcc.edu/finaid/forms.html>.

- **Review for Independent Status** – if you are considered dependent, but unable to provide parent information, you may qualify for independent status.
- **Recalculation of Aid** – if your income was too high in the base year, and has now decreased, you may qualify for an income adjustment. Forms are available beginning in September for the upcoming school year.
- **Ineligible Citizenship Status** – If you are unable to apply for FAFSA due to your citizenship status, you may qualify to apply for WASFA. You can find this application online at www.readysetgrad.org/wasfa.

Visit our website and check your status using the Financial Aid Portal or ask a question by submitting an online support request at www.edcc.edu/finaid.

Online Financial Aid Resources

Financial Aid Portal: www.edcc.edu/finaid



Use the portal to:

- Check on the status of your file
- View the required documents needed
- View your financial aid award once your file has been processed

Support Request Form: www.edcc.edu/finaid



Use this form to:

- Ask questions about your file
- Ask questions about our processes

This is the most efficient way to reach us. Your inquiry is sent to the Financial Aid Office staff that can best answer your question.

Online Entrance Loan Counseling: <https://studentloans.gov>

This is required if you are requesting a student loan. Click on the *Undergraduate Student Session*.

Sign the Master Promissory Note Online (MPN): <https://studentloans.gov>

This is required if you are requesting a student loan. Use your Federal FAFSA Pin to electronically sign the Master Promissory Note (MPN).

Selected for Verification and need your tax return transcript?

If you are selected for verification, you may be required to submit a copy of your Tax Return Transcript because you were not able to successfully use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool through FAFSA. You can request your "Tax Return Transcript" to be mailed to you at www.irs.gov or call (800) 908-9946. We can no longer accept copies of the actual 1040 tax return. You must submit a transcript that comes directly from IRS for the tax year requested.

BankMobile - Financial Aid Disbursements

Once you complete your financial aid file, a BankMobile refund selection kit will be sent to you in the US Mail. The bright green envelope contains information you will need on how to setup your financial aid quarterly refund preference while you are attending Edmonds Community College. Once you receive this selection kit, you must go online and choose the way you would like to receive your financial aid refunds. You may also receive an email from BankMobile with your access code. For more information about your options, you can visit <http://www.edcc.edu/finaid/receiving-your-aid/disbursement-of-funds.html>.

Scholarship Websites

www.thewashboard.org
www.finaid.org
www.fastweb.com
www.edcc.edu/foundation

Money Management Website

<https://www.igrad.com/landing/washington-students-edcc>

Contact Financial Aid

Call: 425.640-1457
Fax: 425.640-1159

Nondiscrimination Statement

Edmonds Community College does not discriminate on the basis of race; color; religion; national origin; sex; disability; sexual orientation; age; citizenship, marital, or veteran status; or genetic information in its programs and activities.

The nondiscrimination language is available in multiple languages at edcc.edu/nondiscrimination.