

YOU ARE ALMOST THERE

COMPLETE YOUR FINANCIAL AID REQUIREMENTS ASSET, DACA, AND OTHER STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID

This is a tool you can use with your Campus Contact or Financial Aid Office to see if you've completed all your financial aid requirements at your college (if any). The goal is to help you keep track of what you've completed and what you still need to do. **It's okay to ask for help!**

DSF will still ask your college's financial aid office to confirm whether you met all requirements by July 15.

LET'S GET STARTED!

- **DSF requires you to complete your financial aid requirements by July 15.**
- If you're attending a public college or university, start by completing the Colorado Application for State Financial Aid (CASFA).
 - Some community colleges may ask you to complete an institutional aid application instead of CASFA. Contact your financial aid office to confirm which application you should complete.
- If you plan to attend a private college or university, check with the financial aid office to find out what application you should complete. Your college may require you to complete the [CSS Profile](#) or an institutional aid application.
- Be sure to complete your CASFA or other aid application by your college's priority deadline to ensure that you qualify for all possible state and institutional aid.
- Complete the [Colorado residency process](#), including an ASSET application, to be eligible for in-state tuition and state aid!
- It may take several weeks, so start early, check your status often, and keep copies of everything you submit.
- Find your [DSF Campus Contact](#), [DSF Campus Advisor](#), or make an appointment to talk to the financial aid office at your college.



FIRST STEPS



I completed my college's application for ASSET, if available. This allows me to pay in-state tuition and receive state aid at a public college/universit



If needed, **I completed the Colorado residency form at my college** to pay in-state tuition or receive state aid (at both public and private colleges/universities in Colorado).



I authorized my college to receive my Colorado Opportunity Fund (COF) stipend (the State of Colorado's contribution to my tuition at a public college/university).



I set up my college email.



I've logged in to my college student portal & checked my financial aid status, if available.



WHAT'S NEXT?

You can work with your Campus Contact, your DSF Campus Advisor, or your Financial Aid Office to make sure your financial aid requirements are complete and to figure out any next steps.



HERE ARE SOME IMPORTANT THINGS TO ASK YOUR CAMPUS CONTACT OR FINANCIAL AID OFFICE

You are your own biggest advocate. Ask your own questions too!

DOES MY COLLEGE PROVIDE ANY AID (SUCH AS GRANTS) TO STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FEDERAL AID?

A No.

B Yes - What do I need to do to apply? Complete the CASFA, or is there an institutional aid application?

DOES MY COLLEGE PROVIDE ANY INSTITUTIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FEDERAL AID?

A No.

B Yes - What do I need to do to apply? Is there a deadline?

DOES MY COLLEGE PROVIDE ANY OTHER FORM OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FEDERAL AID?

A No.

B Yes.

FOR PUBLIC COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES: HAVE I COMPLETED ALL REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY FOR IN-STATE TUITION AND STATE AID UNDER ASSET?

A No - What do I need to do to complete my ASSET application?

B Yes.

IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE NOT INCLUDED ABOVE THAT I NEED TO DO TO COMPLETE MY FINANCIAL AID REQUIREMENTS?

FOR PUBLIC COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES AND SOME PRIVATE COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES: HAVE I AUTHORIZED MY COLLEGE TO RECEIVE MY COF STIPEND?

A No - What do I need to do to authorize my college to receive it?

B Yes.

FOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE COLLEGES/ UNIVERSITIES: HAVE I COMPLETED THE STEPS TO BE CLASSIFIED AS A COLORADO RESIDENT FOR IN-STATE TUITION AND/OR STATE AID?

A No - What do I need to complete to be classified as a Colorado resident?

B Yes.

DO I NEED TO SUBMIT ANY OTHER INFORMATION TO THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE?

A No.

B Yes (Circle all that apply):

1. Proof of income/tax information (for example, W2s)
2. Verification of household size
3. Proof of child support paid
4. Other: _____

AM I ELIGIBLE FOR STATE OR INSTITUTIONAL WORK-STUDY

A No - What are my other options for working on campus?

B Yes - What do I need to do next to make use of it?

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR NEED HELP CONNECTING WITH YOUR CAMPUS CONTACT OR FINANCIAL AID OFFICE, PLEASE CONTACT DENVER SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION



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