

GENERAL GUIDELINES

Financial Aid is determined based on financial need for educational expenses and is an essential requirement to qualify for assistance from most programs. All levels of enrollment will receive consideration.

Since financial need is the primary requirement for determining eligibility for assistance under any of the federal student aid programs, Colorado Mesa University requires that the student applicant submit the FAFSA to the federal processor as soon as possible after October 1. The application is available on the [FAFSA website](#). Once your application is submitted the Office of Financial Aid may request additional documentation to complete your application. View details on your MAVzone.

ASSET (Colorado Advancing Students for a Stronger Economy Tomorrow) designated students may be eligible for state student aid programs. Colorado Mesa University encourages the completion of the Colorado Application for State Financial Aid (CASFA) for all ASSET designated students as soon as possible after October 1. The application is available on the [CASFA website](#). Once your application is submitted, the Office of Financial Aid may request additional documentation to complete your application. View details on your MAVzone.

Financial Aid eligibility and CMU rules are outlined in the annual Financial Aid Terms & Conditions located on the [Financial Aid Forms website](#). It is updated annually.

Federal Direct Loans are initiated with the FAFSA application but require that a Master Promissory Note/Loan Agreement and Entrance Loan Counseling be completed for first-time borrowers at Colorado Mesa University. Electronic links for these processes are found at [Financial Aid Links](#).

Students must maintain satisfactory academic progress as noted with the terms and conditions of financial aid to remain eligible for financial aid.