



## Financial Aid Checklist Graduate Education & Interdisciplinary programs

### Steps to apply for financial aid (federal student loans)

- Discuss tuition assistance options with your employer and search for outside grant and scholarship sources.
- Complete the online EMU graduate student Financial Aid Information Sheet at <https://www.emu.edu/financial-aid/graduate-fais> Identify each source of outside assistance from employer, etc.

- Complete 2024-25 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). File FAFSA at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa> EMU school code is 003708.

*FAFSA is required if you are interested in borrowing a federal student loan.*

- Receive and review your Financial Aid Notification emailed from EMU; sign electronically and complete all requested forms.

*A financial aid notification is emailed after a student is admitted and submitted the FAIS and FAFSA.*

- Borrowing a federal student loan? For information about graduate student federal loan options go to <https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/loans>

*Instructions for federal student loan process at EMU will be sent with your Financial Aid Notification.*

- Contact private student loan lenders if funding desired other than federal student loans. See our webpage for more information about several private loan programs at <https://emu.edu/financial-aid/loans#private>

Questions? Call Financial Assistance Office (540) 432-4137 or Email [finaid@emu.edu](mailto:finaid@emu.edu)