



Please complete 2025-26 financial aid forms by the recommended dates. If you have questions, contact the Financial Assistance Office at (540) 432-4137 or finaid@emu.edu.

Financial Aid Checklist Interdisciplinary Studies

	Recommended Date
<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Discuss tuition assistance or reimbursement options with your employer.o Research outside grant and scholarship sources.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Complete the online graduate student financial aid information sheet at emu.edu/financial-aid/graduate-fais. Submitted annually.	as soon as possible
<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Complete the 2025-26 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at fafsa.gov; EMU code is 003708.	April 15
<p><i>Must be enrolled at least half-time (5 credits per term) for federal student loan eligibility. The FAFSA is required if applying for federal student loans; however, the FAFSA is not a student loan application.</i></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Review your 2025-26 EMU Financial Aid Notification when received by email; accept/decline aid online and complete any needed requested documents.	within 30 days
<p><i>A financial aid notification is generated after a student has been admitted and submitted both the FAIS and FAFSA.</i></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Borrowing federal student loans? For information about graduate student loan options see studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/loans	Aug 1
<p><i>Instructions for federal student loan process at EMU will be sent with Financial Aid Notification letter.</i></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Consider other financing options if needed: EMU payment plan information: emu.edu/business-office/general-payment-info Private loan information: emu.edu/financial-aid/loans	Aug 1