



Important Dates You Need to Know

Financial aid follows specific dates and deadlines in order to process your award on time. It is important to consider them even before you get to campus. This timeline is for incoming fall first-year students. For information on dates for transfer students please contact the Financial Aid Department.

October 1 - March 15

Complete the FAFSA as soon as possible after October 1st for the next academic year.

We recommend students apply by March 15th for the next academic year. Although you may still apply for financial aid after March 15th, the aid for which you will be considered may be more limited.

If you need assistance with the FAFSA, [detailed instructions](#) are available online, or you may call the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-433-3243 (use 1-800-647-8733 if hearing impaired). The Financial Aid Department is also a resource for many of the questions you may have.

You will receive a Student Aid Report (SAR) from the Federal Processor after the FAFSA is filed. Review the SAR for accuracy and make any necessary corrections directly online.

You may receive requests for additional information from the Financial Aid Department. To prevent delays in the awarding of your financial aid, provide any additional information requested as soon as possible. If you have any questions about what is being asked for or how to provide it, contact the Financial Aid Department for assistance.

We will begin to make financial aid awards to incoming students with completed applications as early as February. You will be notified via e-mail that an award is available to be viewed in [myLCOOU](#). You can then go into your account in [myLCOOU](#) to view any pending aid.

May - July

Additional incoming students will be awarded financial aid as their files become complete.

Continuing students will be awarded after spring semester grades have been submitted - usually in late May or early June. If you have applied for financial aid and have not received an email notification by mid-July, check your [myLCOOU](#) account.

If your financial aid is revised for any reason, we will send you a reward package to be reviewed in [myLCOOU](#).



August

Complete any additional scholarship and grant applications. Click [here](#) for additional opportunities: <https://www.lco.edu/scholarships>

September

Financial aid awards are applied directly to student accounts. If your financial aid is greater than what you owe the university, you may elect to choose to receive your refund by direct deposit to your bank account. If you do not sign up for direct deposit, any refund check will be mailed to you.

Financial Aid is awarded based on the student's total number of enrolled credits for the semester as of the 10th day of classes. Changes in enrolled credits could potentially affect the amount of financial aid for which you are eligible, and financial aid may be adjusted (up or down) based on your final enrolled credits. Consequently, a repayment may become necessary - even after disbursement - if your enrolled credits are reduced.

Be aware that if you drop or add any classes, your financial aid amount may change.

Students earning work-study will be paid every two weeks for student employment earnings via direct deposit, which you set up at the time you are hired.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact

our Financial Aid Department

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