

2020-21 Financial Aid Process

UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships Office



2019-2020

Applying for Financial Aid

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

To apply for financial aid, you must complete a FAFSA. Applications are available online at www.fafsa.gov Oct. – Mar. each year, and should be completed as soon as possible for on-time awarding.

Before attempting to complete the FAFSA, you may want to create an FSA ID by going to <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>, if you do not already have one. The FSA ID will allow you to sign your application electronically, and if you are a continuing applicant, access your FAFSA Renewal on the web. We recommend that you file your FAFSA electronically and use the IRS data retrieval process. To learn more visit: <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/filling-out/fsaid#pin-replacement>

FAFSA Eligibility Criteria

In order to receive financial aid, you must be a US citizen or eligible non-citizen, have a valid social security number, be registered with the Selective Service, if required, be enrolled at least half-time in an eligible program, not be in default nor owe an overpayment of any federal funds, have earned a high school diploma or the recognized equivalent.

Completing Your File



Before you can be awarded financial aid, you must have a complete file, which includes application data and any additional information requested by the Financial Aid & Scholarships Office. You can check the status of your file online via MyUCLA (www.my.ucla.edu/). Once your file is complete, it will be reviewed by a counselor and financial aid will be offered to you. A Financial Aid Notification (FAN) will be made available specifying the award type and amount, for which you are eligible. An email will be sent to you when your FAN is available.

Financial Aid Availability

Loans

Direct Loan Program (DL) The Direct Loan Program consists of Unsubsidized and graduate PLUS Loans funded by the federal government. Loans are available to undergraduate, graduate, and professional students who are FAFSA filers, U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

Direct Unsubsidized Loans are long-term, low-interest loans that are funded by the U.S. Department of Education and are available to all students regardless of income. The interest accrues while the student is enrolled in school at least half-time, or interest payments can be made on a monthly basis. The loan interest rate is fixed at 6.60% (until July 1). Loan repayment begins six months after graduation or dropping below half-time enrollment. Graduate students are eligible to receive \$20,500 in one academic year.

Direct PLUS Loans are awarded to help graduate students meet their educational costs. Graduate students may borrow up to the Cost of Education for the academic year less any other aid received. Loans are available to borrowers who do not have adverse credit histories. The interest rate is fixed at 7.60% (until July 1). Graduate students do not enter repayment while enrolled at least half time. Contact the U.S. Department of Education at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/> for information on repayment options and terms.

Private Loans

(also called Alternative loans) are available to students who have received the maximum award amounts under the Direct Loan Program and require additional funding. These loans are funded by banks and private lending institutions. The interest rates and repayment terms are not federally regulated and will vary. These loans must be certified by the Financial Aid Office & Scholarships Office before funds can be disbursed. For additional information, please refer to the Preferred *Private Lender List* on the Financial Aid and Scholarships web site: <http://www.financialaid.ucla.edu/Graduate/What-Aid-is-Available#495461523-private-loans>

Financial Aid Disbursement & Refunds

If you are a first time loan borrower at UCLA as a graduate or professional student, you will need to complete a Loan Debt Management Session at www.loans.ucla.edu/Debt-Management you will only need to complete this once while attending UCLA, and complete a Master Promissory Note at: <https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/launchMpn.action?mpnType=subUnsubMpn> If you have accepted your loans, and completed the necessary requirements mentioned above, your student loan/s will disburse equally over the three terms for the academic year. Your aid will apply directly towards your program tuition, and any remaining amount will be sent to you via Bruin Direct (direct transfer to your banking institution) For more information regarding Bruin Direct please visit: www.financialaid.ucla.edu/Graduate/Disbursements-Bills-Refunds

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Student Loan Services

Debt Management Session required
www.loans.ucla.edu/Debt-Management

Master Promissory Note required for Direct
Unsubsidized Loan and Graduate PLUS Loan

<https://studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/launchMpn.action?mpnType=subUnsubMpn>

Educational Leadership Program

**Graduate School of Education &
Information Studies**

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Tuition for First Year Students in ELP

Tuition for the 2019-2020 school year will be approximately \$25,246* (subject to change by the UC Regents each year). Tuition is paid in three equal installments before the first day of class:

First Day of each Class

August 23, 2019

January 8, 2020

April 1, 2020

Tuition includes the retreat, all classes, and some materials. There are additional costs for textbooks.

*Tuition is subject to change each academic year and the exact amount is not known until mid-summer. Student Accounting will also provide us with updated tuition deadline dates for your convenience.