



# Financial Aid News

## FILE YOUR 2012-13 FAFSA IN JANUARY 2012 Complete Your FAFSA at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov)

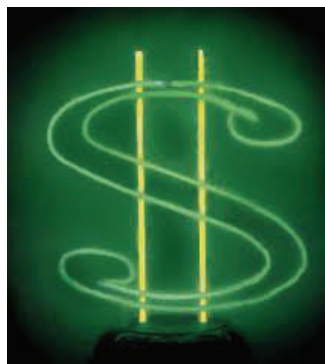
**It is essential that students file the 2012-13 FAFSA as soon after January 1, 2012 as possible.**

New student financial aid applicants and their parents prior to completing the FAFSA should access the U.S. Department of Education's PIN Registration website ([www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov)) to apply for a PIN. As a result, all students (dependent, independent and first time applicants) and their parents who apply via FAFSA on the web can complete the entire process on-line. This PIN serves as your electronic signature.

The Financial Aid Office encourages you to utilize FAFSA on the Web to apply for financial aid for 2012-2013. Currently more than 80% of all FAFSA's are filed online using FAFSA on the Web. Due to edits built into this electronic interface, the reject rate for FAFSA web based applications is less than 1%. FAFSA on the Web filers should complete the FAFSA on the Web Worksheet available at: <http://www.fredonia.edu/finaid/forms/201213worksheet.pdf> for

assistance in completing the on-line FAFSA. This worksheet is a preparation tool for completing the 2012-13 FAFSA and should not be mailed. Students who did apply for Federal Aid via the web during the 2011-2012 award year will need their four digit Federal **PIN** to access and pre-fill the 2012-2013 FAFSA.

Complete the FAFSA using actual or estimated 2011 tax return information. Please be aware that corrections may be required at a later date and may alter initial financial aid awards.



**NYS TAP APPLICATION**

**PROCESS:** Once you have submitted your 2012-13 FAFSA on-line, you will see a confirmation page with a link directing you to state specific scholarships. You should click on this link to apply for TAP. If you fail to complete an on-line TAP application you will not be mailed a paper Express Tap Application. Instead you will be sent an e-mail instructing you to access [www.tapweb.org](http://www.tapweb.org) to file your TAP application.

**IRS/FAFSA DATA SHARE:**

This is a new process where prior year tax data can be imported from the IRS and then used to populate your FAFSA. Please note you must have your 2011 Federal tax return filed in order to use this functionality.

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**Financial Aid Office Hours of Operation**

**Academic Year:**

Monday thru Friday: 8:30am to 5:00pm

**Summer Hours:**

Monday thru Friday: 8:00am to 4:00pm



# Your 2012-13 Financial Aid Timetable

File your 2012-13 FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1, 2012

## January

>Complete and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) along with the Express Tap Application (ETA) online at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov) as soon as possible after **January 1, 2012**. Use SUNY Fredonia's Federal School Code of **002844** for the FAFSA and SUNY Fredonia's New York State Tap School Code of **0915** for the Express Tap Application.

>NOTE: Be sure to include your e-mail address along with your parents on your FAFSA.

>Keep copies of all tax returns, pin numbers, and aid applications.

## February-April

>**SAR e-mails:** Applicants who provide their e-mail address on their FAFSA will be sent e-mails that contain a secure link to their Student Aid Report (SAR) information.

>Receive SUNY Fredonia's Financial Aid Award Letter listing your aid eligibility or view your financial aid awards at [www.fredonia.edu](http://www.fredonia.edu)

>Go to: [www.fredonia.edu](http://www.fredonia.edu) and click on "Your Connection" to accept/decline/accept partial amounts of your Federal Work Study, Federal Perkins Loan and/or your Federal Stafford Loan.

>If selected by the Department of Education for **Verification**, respond immediately and return **all requested documentation** to the Financial Aid Office.

>Apply for private scholarships directly with appropriate organizations. Check the **FASTWEB** scholarship search at

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com) and/or scholarship link at [www.hesc.com](http://www.hesc.com).

## May

>Admission Deposit deadline for Fall 2012 new freshman and transfer admits.

## June-August

>First time Stafford loan borrowers at SUNY Fredonia must complete the SUNY Fredonia Electronic Master Promissory Note (eMPN) available on-line at [www.fredonia.edu/finaid/stafford.asp](http://www.fredonia.edu/finaid/stafford.asp).

>Receive eBill via your Fredonia e-mail address from the Office of Student Accounts listing college charges and allowable deferments. Pay using on-line billing system (TouchNet).

>If you will need to secure additional alternative financing options to pay for your college expenses (tuition, fees, room, food, books, etc.) begin the process now by applying for either a Federal Parent Loan (PLUS) or a private Alternative Loan. You must start the on-line application process by visiting our web site. Be sure to apply for your anticipated period of enrollment.

To apply for a Federal Parent Plus Loan go to :

[www.fredonia.edu/finaid/plus.asp](http://www.fredonia.edu/finaid/plus.asp).

To apply for an Alternative Loan go to :

[www.fredonia.edu/finaid/alt.asp](http://www.fredonia.edu/finaid/alt.asp).

Please refer to :

[www.fredonia.edu/finaid/forms/CostFactSheet.pdf](http://www.fredonia.edu/finaid/forms/CostFactSheet.pdf) for University Charges and indirect expenses.

## Interested in Work Study? File your FAFSA early!

Application for Federal Work Study begins each year with the FAFSA application. The FAFSA application must be completed **as soon as possible after January 1, 2012** to determine your eligibility for the Federal Work Study Program. Funding levels and number of positions are limited, **so positions are not guaranteed from one year to the next**. If you are an education major and interested in being a reading tutor contact the Reading Tutor Coordinator in the College of Education at 673-4830 or if you are a math major and interested in being a math tutor, contact Rebecca Conti at 673-3246.

## Need Financial Aid for Summer 2012?

Eligibility for Summer financial aid is driven by actual enrollment status during both summer sessions 1 & 2. Please complete the 2012-13 FAFSA and TAP application as soon as possible after January 1, 2012. A separate "Summer Aid Application" must also be completed and can be obtained from the Financial Aid Office or on-line in the beginning of March 2012. Specific eligibility requirements will be included on the Summer Aid Application.

## Looking for a full-time Summer Work-Study job?

Students who are returning in the Fall of 2012 but will not be taking summer courses may be eligible for the Summer Work-Study program. To be considered for Summer Work-Study you must complete a 2012-13 FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1, 2012. You must also complete a Summer Work-Study Application available in the Financial Aid Office in March.