





# UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

#### Fall 2019 Open House Financial Aid Update



#### **Discussion Items**

- 1. What is the role of the Office of Student Financial Aid Services?
- 2. Who is eligible for financial aid?
- 3. How do you apply?
- 4. What is financial aid?
- 5. When will you be notified?



## The Role of the Office of Student Financial Aid Services

Assist students in paying for college by:





#### Financial Aid Eligibility Criteria

#### U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen

### Selective Service registration (Males)

Enrollment or acceptance in eligible program of study Satisfactory Academic Progress compliance for continuing students



#### How do I apply for financial aid?

#### **Complete the 2020-2021**

#### Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

- FAFSA is available October 1 at fafsa.gov
- 2018 parent and student financial information required
- Recommend using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool for accurate filing of FAFSA
- On-Time Deadline is February 15
- School Code: 001417

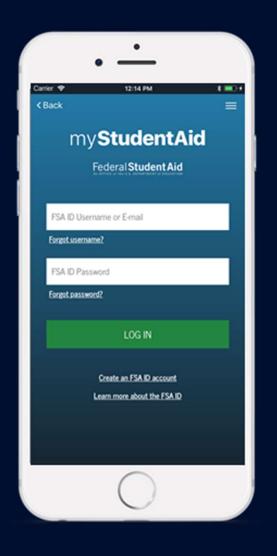


#### How do I apply for financial aid?

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•	• The new 2020–21 FAFSA form is here! Some states and schools have limited funds, so don't delay! To begin your application, select the <b>"START HERE"</b> button on the FAFSA homepage or download the <b>myStudentAid app</b> for iOS and Android.								
	<ul> <li>Customers who are using an Apple device (mobile and/or desktop) may encounter errors on some FAFSA fields if the "smart punctuation" feature is enabled. This feature changes apostrophes and quotation marks to invalid characters that the FAFSA form cannot recognize. Learn about solutions for this error.</li> </ul>								

• Check out the myStudentAid app for iOS and Android.

#### How do I apply for financial aid?





## What if I can't complete the FAFSA because I don't meet the citizenship requirements?

- Public Act 18-2 allows for certain types of institutional financial aid to be made available for qualifying undocumented students.
- More information about the separate UConn application process can be found on our website at <u>https://financialaid.uconn.edu/undocumented\_students/</u>



#### What is financial aid?

Financial aid may include grants, scholarships, loans, and employment from a variety of sources: federal, state, institutional, or private funding.

Grants	Scholarships	Loans	Employment	
Federal Pell Grant Federal SEOG	Roberta B. Willis Need-Merit Scholarship	Federal Direct Subsidized	Federal Work-Study	
Roberta B. Willis Need-Based Grant	UConn Merit	Federal Direct Unsubsidized	Student Labor	
University Grant	UConn Departmental	Federal Direct Parent PLUS		
Connecticut Commitment	Private/Third-Party	Private/Alternative Loans		

#### New! Connecticut Commitment

- Beginning Fall 2020, UConn's Connecticut Commitment promises <u>free tuition to Connecticut residents</u> for a maximum of four years full-time undergraduate study for entering freshmen and two years for transfer students.
- Requires submission of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or the Institutional Financial Aid Application for Students without Legal Immigration Status by February 15, 2020.
- Household Income of \$50,000 or less



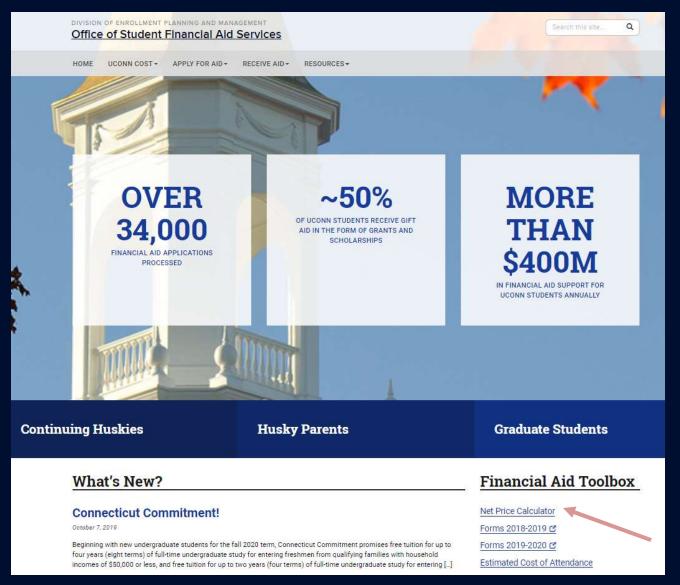
• Visit financialaid.uconn.edu/ctcommitment

## When will I receive my financial aid offer?

- UConn begins notifying students of financial aid offers mid-March.
- Financial aid notification emails are sent to your personal email as listed on your Admissions application.
- You will be encouraged to log into the Student Administration System to view your offer; hard copy award letters will not be sent. Monitor your email!



#### **Net Price Calculator**



#### Important Items to Remember

- Complete the required financial aid application by <u>February 15,</u> <u>2020</u> to be considered on time.
- UConn's school code is 001417
- Respond to requests for information from University offices in a timely manner.
- Meet all deadlines to be considered for all types of financial aid.
- First Steps in the Financial Aid Process and presentation available at financialaid.uconn.edu/future-huskies/



#### **Office of Student Financial Aid Services**

- Open Monday Friday, 8:00AM 5:00PM EST
- Ways to contact our office:
  - Email financialaid@uconn.edu
  - Telephone (860)486-2819
  - In Person, no appointments necessary!
- Visit our website financialaid.uconn.edu for more information



#### Questions?

We are happy to assist!

Please find a member of the Office of Student Financial Aid Services staff wearing a UConn shirt or sweater directly outside the ballroom.

