

Office of Student Financial Assistance

How to Apply for Financial Aid and Scholarships

You can apply for financial aid and scholarships at Texas A&M University – Central Texas in 5 easy steps. To maximize your award possibilities, apply early. Keep in mind, even if you don't qualify for financial aid, you may still qualify to receive scholarships.



Step 1: Apply for Financial Aid

- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at www.fafsa.gov.
- Enter Texas A&M University Central Texas School Code: 042295 for 2016-2017 FAFSA



Step 2: After You Apply for Financial Aid

- Wait 5 − 10 days.
- Go to www.tamuct.edu and Click Quick Links
- Select WarriorWeb
- Enter your WarriorWeb username and associated password.
- Click Finances tab.
- Select the appropriate Aid Year (2016-2017).
- Review Financial Aid Requirements.
- Satisfied requirements are indicated by a check mark within a green circle.
- Allow 1-2 weeks for processing after all requirements are satisfied.



Step 3: Being Notified About Your Financial Aid Awards

- You will be notified via university email.
- The email will direct you to your WarriorWeb account at <u>www.tamuct.edu</u>
- Please *Review Terms & Conditions* before you accept, decline or reduce your awards.
- Once you have reviewed the *Terms & Conditions*, select the *Accept Award Offer* tab.
- All first-time student loan borrowers at Texas A&M University Central Texas must complete *Entrance Counseling* and submit a *Master Promissory Note* at www.studentloans.gov.
- Aid disbursements typically occur 10 days prior to the earliest class start date.



Step 4: Apply for Scholarships

- Access the Scholarship Portal on the *Finances* tab in your WarriorWeb student Self-Service account.
- Create profile using your *myCT username* and *password*.
- When completing the scholarship application, use your University ID number; DO NOT use your social security number.
- Log in regularly to check for awards and new opportunities. Each semester, you will also receive an email notification instructing you to log in to your Scholarship Portal and reactivate your general application. **This is important.** You must reactivate your general application each semester in order to be reconsidered for available scholarship opportunities and maximize your potential to receive scholarship awards.
- Scholarship Deadlines are as followed: Fall Semester **June 1**, Spring Semester **November 1** and Summer Semester(s) **April 1**.

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Step 5: Being Notified About Your Scholarship Awards

- If you are selected to receive a scholarship, you will be notified via email.
- The email will direct you to the <u>TAMUCT Scholarship Portal</u> where you can view, as well as accept, your scholarship awards.

Other Assistance and Useful Information

- Tuition and Student Fee Exemptions: Exemption and waiver programs are targeted to specific populations that the Texas Legislature has identified as warranting special consideration related to paying for higher education costs. All exemptions are processed through Office of Student Financial Assistance. Each has its own criteria for eligibility, application process and restrictions. To view the exemption programs available, and for more information about the application process and eligibility requirements, please visit www.collegefortexans.com
- Consortium Agreement: Often students are enrolled simultaneously at TAMUCT and a community college and want to combine hours from both institutions for financial aid purposes. It is possible to receive financial aid under these circumstances as long as certain requirements are met. Please see the consortium agreements and instructions on our website.
- External Resources: Students are responsible for notifying the Office of Student Financial Assistance of any external resource (ex: scholarships, waivers, exemptions, tuition assistance, etc.) that is intended to cover educationally related expenses. The Office of Student Financial Assistance may be required to include these resources in eligibility calculations. Receipt of external resources may require the Office of Student Financial Assistance to adjust award offers and could result in an overpayment that must be resolved by the student.
- Cost of Attendance/Budget Adjustments: All aid award offers and cost of attendance budgets are based on the assumption that students will be attending full-time for the full length of the payment period or semester. Students not enrolling fulltime or for the full length of the payment period must notify the Office of Student Financial Assistance by submitting an Enrollment Change Form. Adjustments to award amounts, eligibility and cost of attendance budgets due to enrollment status changes may require students to repay funds previously received.



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