

FINANCIAL AID CHECKLIST

School Year 2017-2018

GCC Federal School Code
015361

HOW TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID

STEP 1

Create an FSA ID at <https://fsaid.ed.gov>

- If you are a dependent student, a parent will also need to create an FSA ID.
- The FSA ID is used to electronically sign your FAFSA.
- Keep a record of your FSA ID username, password, email, etc. for reference.

STEP 2

Complete the 2017-2018 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) online at <https://fafsa.ed.gov>

If you filled out the 2016-2017 FAFSA, you will use the 2015 tax return information again for the 2017-2018 FAFSA.

Be sure to:

- Read and complete ALL sections of the application carefully. Refer to the **HELP AND HINTS** box for guidance or information about each field in FAFSA.
- Include Guam Community College **Federal School Code 015361** for our institution to receive your information electronically.
- Enter your student FSA ID. If student is a dependent, enter also a parent FSA ID. Then click on **SUBMIT MY FAFSA NOW**.
- Print out and keep a copy of your submitted information for your records.
- It will take approximately **ONE WEEK** for GCC to receive your FAFSA information electronically.

STEP 3

Follow-Up with the GCC Financial Aid Office

- Follow up with GCC Financial Aid Office after **ONE WEEK** from submitting your FAFSA application online.
- The GCC Financial Aid Office may be **REQUIRED** to do verifications and **REQUEST** an **OFFICIAL 2015 TAX TRANSCRIPT(s), 2015 W-2(s), SNAP benefits paid any time during 2015 or 2016** (refer to back of sheet).
- Continuing/returning students should check your GCC email to receive updates on your financial aid status.
- New students will need to first apply for admission to GCC to receive updates.
- If student/parent(s) filed an AMENDED TAX RETURN, refer to back of sheet for the REQUIRED documents.
- Your FAFSA must be complete and ALL required documents submitted before the **PRIORITY DATES** (refer to back of sheet). Otherwise, YOU MAY HAVE TO RELY ON YOUR OWN RESOURCES to pay for tuition, registration fees, books, supplies and other expenses.

STEP 4

You must complete the APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION AS A DECLARED STUDENT form and submit it to the Admissions & Registration Office along with proof of high school graduation or G.E.D. For more information, contact (671) 735-5331/2/3.

- You must be accepted into Guam Community College seeking a degree or certificate program approved for Title IV funding by the U.S. Department of Education.
- Financial aid assistance will not cover credit hours/course work which will not count towards the completion of student's degree program requirements.

STEP 5

Students whose FAFSA is complete AND ALL documents have been submitted AND have registered for classes may pick-up a DEFERMENT LETTER at the Financial Aid Office.

- The Deferment Letter is to obtain your student ID and/or book(s) at the GCC Bookstore.
- Pell Grant award is disbursed following certification of enrollment and satisfactory academic progress. Login to **MyGCC** at www.guamcc.edu to view your account and financial aid information and if a Net PELL Award check is available for pick-up at the Cashier's Office.

IMPORTANT! If you have not met the priority deadlines for financial aid or your financial aid will not cover your charges, full payment must be made or set up a payment plan with the Accounts Receivable Office (671) 735-5551 no later than 4 PM on the last day to make payment (refer to semester Schedule of Classes).

SCHOLARSHIPS

Visit the GCC Website at www.guamcc.edu
 >> Admissions >> Financial Aid
 to view **Available Scholarships**

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PRIORITY DEADLINES

Your **FAFSA** must be complete and **ALL** required documents submitted before the **PRIORITY DATES** shown below. Otherwise, **YOU MAY HAVE TO RELY ON YOUR OWN RESOURCES** to pay for tuition, registration fees, books, supplies and other expenses.

MAY 4, 2017
is the financial aid
priority date for
SUMMER 2017
semester

AND

JULY 6, 2017
is the financial aid
priority date for
FALL 2017
semester

AND

DECEMBER 6, 2017
is the financial aid
priority date for
SPRING 2018
semester

The GCC Financial Aid Office may be REQUIRED to do verifications and REQUEST documents for the items below.

Submit a 2017-2018 Verification Worksheet for Dependent or Independent Students

(download at www.guamcc.edu > Admissions > Financial Aid)

For all applicants:

- Household size
- Number in college
- SNAP benefits paid any time during 2015 or 2016—**Submit certification from Public Health & Social Services**

For non-tax filers—Submit:

- Income earned from work—**Submit W-2(s) or Wage Tax Statement(s) for 2015**

For tax filers (student and if married, spouse) or (if student is a dependent, student and parent(s)—Submit:

- Official 2015 Tax Transcript(s) and 2015 W-2(s)
- Amended 2015 Income Tax Return (if applicable) and original 2015 Income Tax Return
- Adjusted gross income (AGI)
- U.S. Income tax paid
- Education credits
- Untaxed portions of IRA distributions
- Untaxed portions of pensions
- IRA deductions and payments
- Tax-exempt interest income

Other verified item if applicable:

- Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose form

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