What Happens Next at CSU, Northridge for Financial Aid?

Apply!

Applications become available January 1st and the priority deadline is March 2 of each year.

Apply online at www.fafsa.gov or if you’re an AB540 student at https://dream.csac.ca.gov

Apply for Scholarships

You will receive a confirmation email from FAFSA or CSAC (DREAM). The confirmation will inform you that your Student Aid Report is available. Please review for important information and accuracy.

In mid-April we will begin asking for any additional documents or forms. If additional forms are required, you will receive a notice through your CSUN issued email address and see the request posted on your financial aid “To-Do” list on the Financial Matters Tab of your myNorthridge portal

The priority deadline to submit requested documents is June 2, 2016.

The deadline is to ensure that your fall registration is protected and that your aid is processed on time. Financial aid documents may be mailed or submitted in person at the lobby counter on the first floor of Bayramian Hall. If verification of income is required, students or parents must either make updates to their FAFSA by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool, or submit a copy of their 2015 IRS Tax Return transcript. Copies of IRS 1040 tax returns are not acceptable.

Document review may take up to 9 weeks.

We will begin to award admitted freshmen and transfer students beginning in late April and weekly thereafter. Continuing students will be awarded in late June after spring grades are posted in order to check Satisfactory Academic Progress. Please review our SAP policy.
http://www.csun.edu/financialaid/basics/affects_satisfactory.php

We will inform you of your award, through your CSUN issued email account. Monitor your email and myNorthridge portal regularly.

You will have access to view your award letter on the Financial Matters tab of your student portal.

Approximately 10 days before school starts (Aug.29, 2016, and weekly thereafter) financial aid funds will be applied to your outstanding University charges. If your financial aid funds are not enough to cover all of your charges, you will need to make a payment by the payment deadline. For payment deadlines, go to http://www.csun.edu/stufin
Financial aid funds in excess of your charges will be sent to you via e-refund (direct deposit) or mailed check. For information on how to sign up for e-refunds, view the instructions.

Financial Aid is subject to change due to enrollment/withdrawal and satisfactory academic progress. For more information about what can affect your aid go to http://www.csun.edu/financialaid/what-affects-my-aid

For Undergraduates, Credential, and 2nd BA students 12 units is considered full time. Most aid requires at least half-time enrollment (6 units). Graduate Students are required to enroll in at least 4 units to be considered half-time and at least 7 units to be considered full time.