



Financial Aid Process for Graduate Programs

To apply for federal, state and Rutgers University need-based aid, file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or the renewal application online for faster and efficient processing of your application. Application for low-interest student loans and work study employment are made by completing the FAFSA. Most graduate students are eligible for some type of federal student assistance, usually in the form of a student loan. The amount of assistance is determined by course load and the cost of attendance. Listed below are the steps to apply for financial aid from Rutgers-Camden University.

Step 1: Apply for admission to the graduate program

Prospective students who apply for financial aid should also apply for admission to Rutgers University-Camden. You should not wait for formal acceptance to Rutgers University to apply for financial aid; apply early for both financial aid and admission.

Step 2: File a FAFSA

If applying to the Fall 2010-Spring 2011 terms, please complete the following:

- After January 1, 2010 complete and submit the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#) online at www.fafsa.gov
- You will need to request a PIN at www.pin.ed.gov
- Use our Federal School Code – 002629 and submit a 2010-2011 FAFSA. You will need a copy of your 2009 tax forms

When filing the FAFSA on-line (the recommended way), you will receive the SAR (Student Aid Report) via email. Review the SAR to verify that all information is accurate. The PIN number can be used to make corrections to the SAR, and also serves as the student's e-signature if you file the FAFSA on-line. Additionally, the PIN allows you to view their federal loan information over the Internet.

Step 3: Complete Remaining Financial Aid Component

Once your financial aid has been processed, you may still need to complete the following: Master Promissory Note, and/or an Entrance Interview.

If you have any questions, please contact the Rutgers-Camden Office of Financial Aid at

856-225-6039. Additional information regarding financial aid is available at <http://studentaid.rutgers.edu/grad.asp>

Scholarship Information

Please note that limited funds are available from scholarships, fellowships, assistantships and grants. Please contact your Graduate Program Director in your proposed major for additional information.

You may also want to consider independently researching graduate scholarships online by taking advantage of free online scholarship searches, such as www.fastweb.com. Fastweb.com is the nation's largest source of local, national and college-specific scholarships