



Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

The Financial Aid Office awards loan eligibility to students up to the cost of attendance minus any other financial assistance such as scholarships and assistantships. Please check with the School of Education's Office of Admissions if you have questions about your scholarship or assistantship.

- ✓ **Domicile:** Please complete the in-state tuition application on the University Registrar's website to determine your eligibility. If you have a scholarship through the School of Education, please contact them if your domicile changes as this will affect your out-of-state waivers. Allowances do not change when your domicile changes, just the tuition and fees. Domicile changes after August will reflect out-of-state first and be adjusted once Banner is updated. Contact domicile@wm.edu if you have questions.
- ✓ **FAFSA updating:** If you are currently an undergraduate student but will graduate in May and become an enrolled graduate student for the summer, you can update your FAFSA to reflect this change. Please indicate that you will be enrolled in a graduate program under the *Plans/Educational Background* and *Status* sections. Doing so will likely prompt a request for a Dependency Status worksheet since you are making this change. This form can be found on our website at <https://www.wm.edu/admission/financialaid/forms/index.php>. Otherwise, your counselor will make the updates once processing financial aid begins and you will receive a notification from FAFSA that your school has made a change.
- ✓ **Undergraduate loan deferment:** The University Registrar's Office (UREG) will send your information at the conclusion of the add/drop period to the Student Clearinghouse to update your enrollment status. This information will be sent to your loan servicer who will put your

loans into deferment status. You do not need to formally request a deferment, but if you choose to do so, please submit the request to the UREG office.

- ✓ **Health Insurance:** All students are required to have health insurance and will be automatically enrolled unless you sign a health insurance waiver. Contact Trista Sikes in the Health Center (trsike@wm.edu) for waiver information. If you would like to include the student health insurance to your cost of attendance to receive additional loan eligibility, please email me your request once you have the charge on your student account.
- ✓ **Summer sessions:** Students who take classes in the summer are not automatically awarded for summer. If you will be enrolled in at least 3 credits in the summer, please complete a summer aid application found on the financial aid website and ensure W&M is included to receive your 2019-20 FAFSA.
- ✓ **Americorps:** If a student wants to use Americorps funds to pay towards a loan, payment goes to the loan servicer so choose "Loan Servicer" in the drop down box on the portal.

Contact information:

If you do not see an answer to your question here, please contact the financial aid office at 757-221-2420.

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