



## Who is Eligible for Aid?

### Basic Requirements

While each aid program has special requirements, the following are basic. In order to be eligible to receive financial aid, you must:

1. have financial need (except for some loan programs and many scholarship programs). Students who think they may need financial assistance are strongly encouraged to apply for aid by the deadline dates listed in this website in order to be considered for all eligible aid programs;
2. be accepted for enrollment or be enrolled at least half-time as a student working toward a degree or certificate (however, you may apply for aid, even if you are not yet accepted or enrolled);
3. be a [U.S. citizen or eligible non-U.S. citizen](#) (federal regulations and University policy severely limit the types of financial assistance available to non-U.S. citizens);
4. have a valid Social Security Number;
5. be registered with Selective Service, if required;
6. be making [satisfactory academic progress](#) (continuing students only);
7. use federal student aid only for educational purposes; and not owe a refund on a federal

### Undergraduate Students Who Have Already Received One or More Bachelor's Degree(s)

Undergraduates who have already received a bachelor's degree will only be eligible for loans while pursuing additional majors or bachelor's degree(s). This includes students in double major or dual degree programs who have already met the requirements for one of their majors or degrees and are continuing their education toward the additional major or degree. Please also see the [satisfactory academic progress](#) policy.

## Students Enrolled at More than One Institution

Students who are enrolled at more than one college or university at the same time may receive financial aid from only one of the institutions, not both. Contact the UIS Office of Financial Assistance for more information.