Regular Decision Freshman Financial Aid Checklist 2020–2021

**AUGUST**
- The application for undergraduate admission opens. Apply for admission by completing the Common Application or the Coalition Application by January 1.

**OCTOBER**
- 2020–2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and CSS Profile open on October 1.
- Complete the 2020–2021 FAFSA using 2018 tax year information. You must complete the application by February 15.
  - Northeastern Code: 002199
    - If eligible, use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool, which allows you and your parent(s) to access IRS tax return information and transfer the required data to your FAFSA.
- Complete the 2020–2021 CSS Profile by February 15.*
  - Northeastern Code 3667
    - Please note, students whose biological parents are not married to each other are required to provide information about both parent households when completing the CSS Profile.
- Submit copies of 2018 W-2s, signed personal federal tax returns, including all schedules, as well as business tax returns, if applicable, for both you and your parent(s).
  - Once you have submitted your CSS Profile, you will receive an email with instructions for completing the IDOC process. Should additional documentation be required, you will be notified.

**NOVEMBER–MARCH**
- Check your email regularly for any communication from our office. Should additional documentation be required, you will be notified electronically.

**APRIL**
- Admission decisions and financial aid awards will be available by April 1, provided all required documents have been submitted. Review your financial aid offer, including merit scholarship guidelines, if you have been selected to receive a scholarship.

**APRIL–MAY**
- Review your myNortheastern portal and Husky email regularly to ensure that you have completed all necessary documentation for financial aid processing.
- Submit your enrollment deposit by the deposit deadline, as indicated on your admission letter.

**POST-ENROLLMENT DEPOSIT (MAY–AUGUST)**
- Complete the necessary loan documentation (if accepting loans). Documents may include Federal Student Loan Entrance Counseling, Master Promissory Note, Self-Certification Form, and Title IV Credit Authorization.
- Submit additional documents as requested, which may include a Sibling Enrollment Verification Form and other verification materials.
- Notify our office if you will be receiving other forms of financial assistance not reflected on your financial aid award, such as outside scholarships.
- Secure financing options, i.e., supplemental and private loans, or enroll in the monthly payment plan by the due date.

**SEPTEMBER**
- Begin your Northeastern experience!

*Students seeking federal aid only are not required to complete the CSS Profile.*

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