

FINANCIAL AID

St. Louis Community College provides a comprehensive financial aid program funded by federal, state, and private agencies. Aid awards fall into four categories:

1. Grants
2. Scholarships
3. Loans
4. Federal Work Study

Although superior ability and talent are recognized through the college's programs, as well as those from other scholarships, most aid is awarded based on financial need.

It is not within the scope of this catalog to explain all of the financial aid programs available. **Additional information about programs that are available and to access the application can be found on the Financial Aid webpage (<https://www.stlcc.edu/admissions/financial-aid/>).**

Apply Early for Aid

Need help paying for college? If so, you are encouraged to complete the Free Application for Student Financial Aid (FAFSA) as soon as possible after October 1st.

Visit the **Federal Student Aid webpage (<https://studentaid.gov/>)** to apply for financial aid and how to create an FSA ID number if you do not have one. Be sure to use the STLCC school code 002469 when filling out the FAFSA online.

Remember, you must be admitted to STLCC with degree-seeking status to receive financial aid. This includes submitting transcripts from high school, GED, and/or all colleges previously attended and completing placement test requirements. Submit official college transcripts to the Registrar's Office.

After completing your FAFSA, check the status of your financial aid application at by logging into **Banner Self-Service (<https://www.stlcc.edu/departments/information-technology/banner-selfservice/>)**.

Information about financial aid, scholarships, federal grants, loans, work-study, and Missouri state programs is available on the Financial Aid webpage (<https://www.stlcc.edu/admissions/financial-aid/>).

Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress

Students are expected to maintain satisfactory grades to remain eligible for aid. A 2.0 cumulative grade point average is required and overall passing rate of 66.67% is required. Refer to **Satisfactory Academic Progress (<http://catalog.stlcc.edu/general-information/policies/program-information/>)** for more information. Grades of F, W, I, PR, and U are not acceptable for meeting these requirements. Students are allowed a maximum time frame of 150% of the required hours for their degree to receive federal financial assistance.

At the end of each session, progress is assessed. Students who do not meet the requirements will be placed on financial warning during the next session of enrollment. During the financial warning session, financial aid eligibility may be continued. Failure to meet the criteria during the financial warning semester will result in suspension and termination from Title IV aid. Students who fail, withdraw, or receive an "Incomplete" for all classes in which they enroll will not be eligible for financial aid the next semester of enrollment.

Students may appeal the termination of financial aid by completing an appeal application and submitting it to the campus financial aid office. Students must document any extenuating circumstances that prevented them from maintaining the required standards. All committee appeal decisions are final.

Veterans and Other Aid

Detailed information about services for veterans is available from the School Certifying Official (SCO) in the Financial Aid office. **Learn more about veteran services by visiting the STLCC Veteran Affairs' webpage (<https://stlcc.edu/admissions/apply-to-stlcc/veterans.aspx>).**

Students may be eligible for financial aid from agencies such as the Department of Mental Health, the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, and Rehabilitation Services for the Blind. Students must make their own arrangements for such aid.

A+ Program

Under grants made available through the Missouri A+ Schools Program, qualified graduates of participating high schools are eligible for scholarship grants to St. Louis Community College. Students must fulfill A+ Program requirements at the high school before applying for grants. Students should contact high school counselors for eligibility requirements. **Learn more about the A+ Program on the Financial Aid webpage (<https://www.stlcc.edu/admissions/financial-aid/a-plus.aspx>).**