

## Accepting Your Financial Aid

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Scholarships, grants, work-study awards are automatically accepted.

Student and parent loans need to be accepted on-line. The amount offered can be reduced, and you also have the right to cancel the loan after it has been accepted at anytime during the award year.

## Applying for Federal Stafford Loans

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1. The student accepts the loan on CUConnect or ChooseCU.
2. A Federal Stafford Loan Master Promissory Note must be on file. If not, it can be completed online at [dlenote.ed.gov](http://dlenote.ed.gov).
3. For more information about interest rates, monthly payments, and types of repayment options visit [www.colorado.edu/finaid/typesofaid.html](http://www.colorado.edu/finaid/typesofaid.html).

## Applying for Federal PLUS Loans

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1. The student accepts the loan on CUConnect or ChooseCU.
2. The borrower completes the **PLUS Loan Information Form** to initiate the credit check process. The form is located at [www.colorado.edu/finaid/forms.html](http://www.colorado.edu/finaid/forms.html).
3. A PLUS Master Promissory Note must be on file. If not, it can be completed online at [dlenote.ed.gov](http://dlenote.ed.gov)
4. For more information about interest rates, monthly payments, and types of repayment options visit [www.colorado.edu/finaid/typesofaid.html](http://www.colorado.edu/finaid/typesofaid.html).

\* Dependent students whose parents fail the credit check are advised to contact a counselor for more options.

## Applying for Private Loans

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Private loans are recommended as an option only after you have applied for the federal loan programs. Interest rates are higher, and depending on their eligibility, students may be able to borrow up to their cost of attendance. For more information, visit [www.finaid.org/loans/privatestudentloans.phtml](http://www.finaid.org/loans/privatestudentloans.phtml).

## Scholarship Information

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If you will receive private scholarships from an outside source for the 2009-10 academic year, complete the **Scholarship Information Request Form** online at [www.colorado.edu/finaid/sirf.html](http://www.colorado.edu/finaid/sirf.html). It is not necessary to complete this form for scholarships received from a CU-Boulder department or organization. Please indicate if funds will be sent directly to you or to the Scholarship Services Office which is located at 77 UCB, Boulder, CO 80309-0077.

## Student Employment

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Work-study, hourly, and off-campus jobs may be viewed on the Student Employment channel at CUConnect.

Jobs for fall semester are posted beginning July 1. If you are awarded work-study for fall semester, you must begin working before October 1 to avoid cancellation of your work-study award.

If you are hired as a resident advisor, or through the Student Work Assistance Program (SWAP), you will receive at least part of your compensation as a housing credit. The amount of the credit is considered a financial resource which may impact your eligibility for financial aid.

## Financial Aid Refunds

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Your financial aid, with the exception of work-study, will be applied directly to your university bill, and any funds exceeding your bill will be refunded to your designated bank account by direct deposit approximately three days before classes begin. For more information on direct deposit, visit [www.colorado.edu/bursar](http://www.colorado.edu/bursar) or call the Bursar's Office at 303-492-5381.

## Adjustment to your Award Offer

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It is important to note that all awards are based on available funds and full-time enrollment. CU-Boulder has the right to revise or cancel awards if funds are unavailable, your application contains incorrect data, or your financial situation or enrollment status changes.

## Special Circumstances

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If you have special circumstances such as a loss of income or benefits, or unusually high medical expenses, complete the **Professional Judgment Appeal Form** along with requested forms and documentation. The forms are located at [www.colorado.edu/finaid/forms.html](http://www.colorado.edu/finaid/forms.html).

## Satisfactory Academic Progress

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Federal law requires students receiving financial aid to make satisfactory academic progress. Eligibility is checked at the end of each semester. Students who do not meet the minimum requirements may lose future financial aid eligibility. Please visit [www.colorado.edu/finaid/sap.html](http://www.colorado.edu/finaid/sap.html) for detailed information about the University's Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy.

## Withdrawing and Financial Aid

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Students may be required to repay some or all of the aid received when completely withdrawing from school. Additional information regarding financial aid and withdrawing from the university can be found at either [www.colorado.edu/finaid/withdrawing.html](http://www.colorado.edu/finaid/withdrawing.html) or [registrar.colorado.edu/students/withdraw.html](http://registrar.colorado.edu/students/withdraw.html)

**Unofficial Withdrawals**

At the end of each semester, the Office of Financial Aid receives a report of students who received aid and also had grades of all Fs for the semester. Often students who received all Fs stopped attending class but did not officially withdraw from the university. In this situation, we will ask for documentation to verify the last date of attendance to determine if any financial aid must be returned.

**Financial Aid Funding Sources**

Federally funded programs include:

- Federal Pell Grant
- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG)
- Academic Competitiveness Grant (ACG)
- National Science and Mathematics Access to Retain Talent (SMART) Grant
- Federal Work-Study
- William D. Ford Federal Direct Stafford Loan (subsidized, unsubsidized, PLUS, and graduate PLUS)

State of Colorado programs funded by the Colorado General Assembly include:

- Colorado Student Grant (CSG)
- Colorado Graduate Grant
- Colorado Work-Study

Federal and State of Colorado funded programs include:

- Colorado Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership (CLEAP) Grant
- Colorado Supplemental Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership (SLEAP) Grant

**Contact Information**

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 Office of Financial Aid  
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Title IV Institution Code: **001370**

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 Regent Administrative Center, Room 205

*Website and E-mail*

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General Info/FAFSA . . . . .	800-433-3243
TTY/TDD . . . . .	800-730-8913
Direct Loan Servicer . . . . .	800-848-0979
Direct Loan Consolidation . . . . .	800-557-7392

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