Wright State Financial Aid Checklist:
Your next steps to qualifying for the most financial aid

APPLY FOR ADMISSION
Your first step to qualifying for financial aid at Wright State is to apply for admission. Many scholarships are awarded based on information contained in your admission application. Visit **wright.edu/apply** and complete your application by the **November 1** priority admission deadline to qualify for early scholarship notification, priority orientation registration, and more.

FILE YOUR FAFSA
The FAFSA determines your eligibility for federal grants, loans, and work study, and is also used to qualify you for additional university funding. The application opens **October 1** for the following academic year and must be completed annually for you to remain eligible to receive financial aid. Visit **studentaid.gov** to get started. Complete your FAFSA by Wright State's **February 1** priority deadline to qualify for the most financial aid available.

APPLY FOR EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS
There are countless local and national scholarships available and plenty of search websites you can use to find opportunities you may qualify for. Check with your guidance counselors for available local scholarships. Visit **wright.edu/external-scholarships** to learn more.
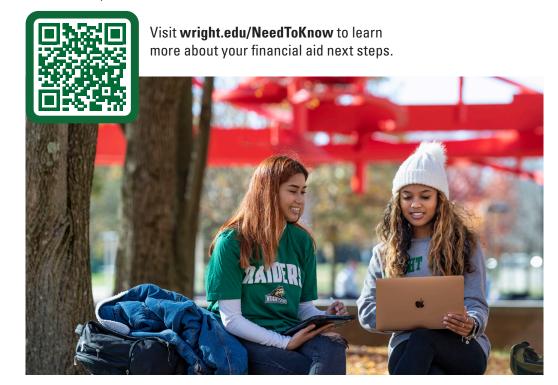
SUBMIT THE ONLINE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
Once you are admitted, you can apply for multiple scholarship opportunities through the Wright State online scholarship application. Visit **wright.edu/scholarships** for more information and to check out our scholarship database. The online scholarship application deadline is **February 1**.

COMPLETE ANY OUTSTANDING FINANCIAL AID REQUIREMENTS AND ACCEPT YOUR AWARD NOTICE
Access your new student logins through your Admissions Portal at **wright.edu/apply** to check for and complete any remaining financial aid eligibility requirements. Wright State will begin mailing cost estimates in March to those who have completed all requirements. Once you have received your notice, you must accept or decline your award offer through the Financial Aid Launchpad in WINGS.

VIEW YOUR BILL
You may log in to your student account and print an on-demand bill at any time once fees for that semester have been assessed. Visit **wright.edu/deadlines** for information on fee assessment dates, important deadlines, and financial aid disbursement dates.

Visit **wright.edu/NeedToKnow** to learn more about your financial aid next steps.

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TAKE FLIGHT PROGRAM

Are you a high school student with at least a 3.2 GPA? Your FAFSA may qualify you for Wright State's Take Flight program, which covers up to 18 hours of undergraduate tuition each semester and provides additional tools that can help you succeed. Visit **wright.edu/TakeFlight** to learn more.

FAFSA PREPARATION WORKSHEET

Completing your FAFSA is a quick and easy way to qualify for federal financial aid and multiple scholarship opportunities at Wright State. This worksheet will help you gather the important information you will need when completing your FAFSA.

FSA ID CREDENTIALS

An FSA ID is needed to sign your FAFSA and complete your FAFSA renewal. Visit **studentaid.gov** to create or manage your FSA ID. For dependent students, all contributors must also have an FSA ID to electronically sign your FAFSA or to apply for a Direct PLUS loan. We highly recommend setting up your FSA ID in advance!

Email address: _____
(**DO NOT** use any school email addresses)

Username: _____

Phone number: _____

Password hint: _____

Tax year: _____   Date started: _____

INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTS NEEDED TO COMPLETE YOUR FAFSA

- Personal and parental information (date of birth, SSN, email addresses, driver's license, etc.)
- Tax returns from the prior-prior year
- Summaries of income not reflected on tax returns for the appropriate year
  (non-filer income, Social Security, unemployment, child support, current account balances, etc.)
- Net worth of non-retirement investments, businesses, and family farms
- Student and contributors FSA ID login credentials - sign up before filing!
- List of schools you are interested in

ALLOWING THE FAFSA TO RETRIEVE FEDERAL TAX RETURN INFORMATION

Filing the FAFSA is easier than ever! At the start of the FAFSA, contributors must consent to transfer their federal tax information from the IRS to the FAFSA. This means for most contributors the majority of your income information will automatically transfer into your FAFSA, making it easier for you to complete. If one or more contributors do not consent, the student will not be eligible for federal, state, or need-based institutional aid. The FAFSA uses prior-prior year tax information, so there's no need to wait to apply!

WHO IS A CONTRIBUTOR?

If the FAFSA considers you to be a dependent student, then you will need to provide information about your parents.

- For biological or adoptive parents who live together, married or not, complete parental information for both.
- For single parents, only answer questions about that parent.
- For parents who are divorced or separated, you'll need to select and supply the information of the parent and stepparent, if they remarried, who provides the majority of financial support for you, such as through housing arrangements.

Your grandparents, legal guardians, foster parents, and any other family member should not be reported as contributors on the FAFSA. If you don't live with your parents, you must still provide their information. Other situations will need to be evaluated by the Financial Aid office. Contact Enrollment Services for assitance.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR ASSISTANCE WITH COMPLETING YOUR FAFSA, CONTACT:

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