



Please complete 2025-26 financial aid forms by the recommended dates. If you have questions, contact the Financial Assistance Office at (540) 432-4137 or [finaid@emu.edu](mailto:finaid@emu.edu).

## Financial Aid Checklist Graduate Education & Interdisciplinary Programs

- |   | Recommended Date    |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Discuss tuition assistance or reimbursement options with your employer.</li><li>o Research outside grant and scholarship sources.</li></ul>   |                     |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Complete the online graduate student financial aid information sheet at <a href="http://emu.edu/financial-aid/graduate-fais">emu.edu/financial-aid/graduate-fais</a>. Submitted annually.</li></ul>   | as soon as possible |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Complete the 2025-26 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at <a href="http://fafsa.gov">fafsa.gov</a>; EMU code is 003708.</li></ul>   | April 15            |
| <p><i>Must be enrolled at least half-time (5 credits per term) for federal student loan eligibility. The FAFSA is required if applying for federal student loans; however, the FAFSA is not a student loan application.</i></p>   |                     |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Review your 2025-26 EMU Financial Aid Notification when received by email; accept/decline aid online and complete any needed requested documents.</li></ul>   | within 30 days      |
| <p><i>A financial aid notification is generated after a student has been admitted and submitted both the FAIS and FAFSA.</i></p>  |                     |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Borrowing federal student loans? For information about graduate student loan options see <a href="http://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/loans">studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/loans</a></li></ul>   | Aug 1               |
| <p><i>Instructions for federal student loan process at EMU will be sent with Financial Aid Notification letter.</i></p>   |                     |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o Consider other financing options if needed:<br/>EMU payment plan information: <a href="http://emu.edu/business-office/general-payment-info">emu.edu/business-office/general-payment-info</a><br/>Private loan information: <a href="http://emu.edu/financial-aid/loans">emu.edu/financial-aid/loans</a></li></ul> | Aug 1               |