



******Financial aid award letters are anticipated to go out at the end of April/beginning of May.******

NEXT STEPS (once you receive your award letter):

File a 2024-2025 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

By visiting fafsa.gov. Use Fredonia Federal school code 002844.

File a 2024-2025 New York State Student Aid Payment (TAP) application

By visiting hesc.ny.gov. Search "Fredonia" and select for Fall/Spring (school code 0915). This is a New York State grant.

File a 2024-2025 New York State Excelsior Scholarship application

By visiting hesc.ny.gov/excelsior. Typically available in **May**.

- Must file FAFSA, NYS Student Aid Payment Application (TAP) and then Excelsior application
- Must be a resident of New York State
- Household federal adjusted gross income for 2022 cannot exceed \$125,000.
- Need to earn 30 credits per calendar year (including winter and summer terms)
- Need to live and work in New York following graduation for the length of time you participate in the scholarship program

Review and Accept/Decline Your Financial Aid

You must accept or decline Federal Work Study, Federal TEACH Grant and Federal Direct Subsidized and/or Unsubsidized Loans on "Your Connection".

See instructions below:

Step 1: Go to the Fredonia homepage at www.fredonia.edu

Step 2: Click the "**Your Connection**" link located towards the bottom of the page.

Step 3: Enter your **User ID** and **PIN**.

Step 4: Click **Financial Aid**.

Step 5: Click **Award**

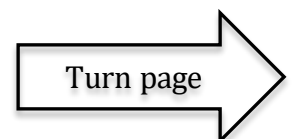
Step 6: Click **Award for Aid Year**

Step 7: Click the drop down box and select the appropriate aid year. Click **Submit**.

Step 8: Click **Accept Award Offer** Tab

Step 9: Under the **Award Decision** column, click the drop down box to accept or decline your loan/work-study awards. To accept partial amounts, click **Accept** and type in the amount you wish to receive under the **Accept Partial Amount** column.

Step 10: Click **Submit Decision** button.



Complete Loan Requirements

- **Step 1:** You are **required** to accept the Federal Direct Stafford Loan via **YOUR CONNECTION** by following the instructions above.
- **Step 2:** First-time borrowers at Fredonia must complete **Entrance Counseling** and complete a **Loan Agreement (Master Promissory Note/MPN)** for a Subsidized/Unsubsidized Loan at: <https://studentaid.gov>
You will need your FSA ID and Password to complete step 2

These steps must be completed in order for your Federal Direct loan to be applied to your bill.

Complete the Federal Verification Process (if selected)

To see if you have been selected and to view any missing financial aid requirements:

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Step 3: Enter your **User ID** and **PIN**.

Step 4: Click **Student Services, Financial Aid, Residence Life**.

Step 5: Click **Financial Aid**.

Step 6: Click **Eligibility**.

Step 7: Click **Student Requirements**

Review Alternative Financing Options:

Payment Plans: <https://www.fredonia.edu/about/offices/student-accounts/payments>

The Student Accounts Office offers 2, 3 or 4 payment options per semester.

Direct Plus Loans - <http://home.fredonia.edu/finaid/federal-direct-plus-loan-program>

This is a Federal loan available for parent borrowers.

Private Loans - <http://home.fredonia.edu/finaid/alternative-loans>

These are private loans that you can apply for with a lender.

You can also find these listed under the Aid Programs tab on our Financial Aid website

Have Questions?

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