

University of Maryland - Office of Student Financial Aid Priority Deadline

To apply for financial aid, students must complete the FAFSA. For priority consideration for aid, the federal processor must receive and accept the FAFSA by January 1.

Priority Aid Programs

Students whose FAFSA applications are received by the UMD Priority Deadline will be considered for all available forms of need-based federal and institutional aid including the following "Priority Aid Programs": Federal Work-Study, Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant (FSEOG) and University of Maryland (UMD) Grant and UMD Scholarships.

Non-Priority Aid Programs

All students, including those whose applications are received after the UMD Priority Deadline, will be considered for the following Federal Aid Programs: Subsidized and Unsubsidized Direct Loans, Pell Grants, and Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students (PLUS).

Extenuating Circumstances Delaying Application

Fairness to all students requires uniform application of this deadline policy. All students are informed of these deadlines in the UMD Financial Aid Award Guide and the UMD Admissions application. If you or your family experience severe crises which significantly influence your ability to submit your FAFSA by the priority deadline, please contact the Office of Student Financial Aid.