# Lewis & Clark College | Financial Aid Checklist

Incoming Undergraduate Students

## APPLY!

Research <u>priority deadlines</u> for applications. Review <u>timeline</u> and <u>financial aid guide</u>.

Submit the <u>FAFSA</u> and <u>CSS Profile</u> (available beginning October 1). Use the *IRS Data Retrieval Tool* via the FAFSA for *faster* processing!

\*Note\* L&C does <u>not</u> require the Noncustodial Profile, and we do <u>not</u> provide fee waivers.

Apply for external scholarships.

Check your <u>Pioneer Portal</u> for any outstanding requirements and missing documents. (If you were selected for verification, visit our <u>website</u> for instructions.)

**Pro Tip!** Make sure that your social security number is on file with <u>Admissions</u>.

## SECURE YOUR FINANCIAL AID

Once you pay your enrollment deposit and create a Lewis & Clark e-mail address, you will be granted access to WebAdvisor with a link to your Self-Service account.

Accept or decline your loans(s) and/or work-study by July 1 in Self-Service. (Scholarships and grants are automatically accepted.)

Complete the <u>Entrance Counseling</u> and sign the <u>Master Promissory Note</u> (<u>MPN</u>) in order for loans to disburse (first-time loan borrowers only).

\*Note\* Federal grants and loans do not disburse until approximately one week before the semester begins.

**Pro Tip!** Merit-based scholarships are renewable each year as long as you maintain <u>satisfactory academic progress</u>.

# **MAKE YOUR DECISION**

Review your financial aid award offer.

Calculate your estimated out-of-pocket costs after financial aid is applied using the financial worksheet.

Pay your <u>enrollment deposit</u> by May 1.
\* November 1, 2019 for *Early Decision*.

**Pro Tip!** Keep your e-mail inbox organized and frequently check for important messages from the Financial Aid Office.

### **WRAP UP**

Set up a Nelnet: TMS Payment Plan, apply for the Parent PLUS Loan, and/or apply for a private student loan to cover remaining costs if needed.

Review payment due dates and payment methods.

Per <u>FERPA</u>, submit an <u>authorization form</u> if you wish to give your parent(s), other family, and/or other third party access to your financial aid records.

#### **Contact Us**

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#### **Submit Documents**

secure upload | Pioneer Portal

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# **Don't forget!**

- Report external scholarships as you are notified of them.
- You must reapply for financial aid each academic year by submitting only a FAFSA renewal.
- Already covered under a parent's health insurance? Waive student health insurance in July before the mid-September deadline.