



CHARLES R. DREW UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS

**FINANCIAL AID CHECKLIST**

- \_\_\_ 1.) **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) 2017-2018**—available via [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).
  - a. Students must complete a FAFSA each academic year.
  - b. Add CDU's school code **013653** in order for your application to be sent to Charles Drew University.
- \_\_\_ 2.) **Complete Loan Processing Requirements-** If you wish to accept a loan, you may be required to complete additional documentation for loan processing. This documentation includes the following:
  - a. **Complete Entrance Counseling-** If you have not previously received a Direct Loan or Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL), the Federal Government requires you to complete entrance counseling to ensure that you understand the responsibilities and obligations you are assuming. This may be completed via [www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov).
  - b. **Complete Master Promissory Note-** The Subsidized/Unsubsidized/Plus Master Promissory Note (MPN) is a legal document in which you promise to repay your federal student loan(s) and any accrued interest and fees to your lender or loan holder. There is one MPN for Direct Subsidized/Unsubsidized Loans and a different MPN for Direct PLUS Loans. Most schools are authorized to make multiple federal student loans under one MPN for up to 10 years. You will also complete this via [www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov).
- \_\_\_ 3.) **Be accepted in a degree program or certain eligible certificate programs at CDU-** Students who are enrolled at the CDU on a non-degree basis are not eligible for financial aid.
- \_\_\_ 4.) **Check Your Email Account Frequently-** Initially, correspondence for students is sent to the student's personal email account. After matriculation correspondence will be sent to your CDU email address. Your CDU email account is the CDU financial aid office's official means of communication with students. You are responsible for checking your CDU email account frequently for information about your financial aid. Emails from our office may include requests for missing or corrected information.
- \_\_\_ 5.) **Complete Financial Aid Processing Requirements-** Once all forms are received and no pending documents are required, you will be eligible for consideration of federal aid programs at CDU. If you are determined to be eligible, the next step will be to provide you with an **AWARD LETTER via email**.

For more information please visit the CDU Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships at <https://www.cdrewu.edu/Admin/FinAid>

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