

Thank you for your interest in financial aid for 2020-2021. **Please use this checklist to help make sure you are taking care of all required steps and remember that all notifications go only to your secure Goucher e-mail address.**

The 2020-2021 academic year includes Fall 2020, Winter/Spring 2021, and Summer 2021.

If you are starting to apply for financial aid after being billed or after classes have started, then please make sure you are responding promptly to these steps as needed. Until your financial aid is completely processed, you may be subject to late fees from the billing office. If it is after the drop date and we are unable to process federal student loans for any reason, then you will need to make alternative payment arrangements or seek a private outside loan.

Checklist for ALL Graduate Students

(New students, please see additional checklist below!)

- [Complete 2020-2021 FAFSA](#)
 - Remember to add Goucher to your list of schools. (Federal school code 002073)
- Submit [2020-2021 Expected Enrollment Form](#)
 - Please work with your academic advisor and plan for Fall 2020 and Winter/Spring 2021. Summer 2021 financial aid will be processed beginning approximately May of 2021.
- Accept or Decline aid in [Net Partner](#)
 - About 1-2 weeks after both of the above are completed, you should receive an e-mail that aid is available.
- Complete Entrance Counseling and MPN as needed
 - Usually only needed the first year, but returning students sometimes need to update. (See below.)

Checklist for New Graduate Students

These steps are for new students, or returning students if this is your first year with financial aid.

- Begin Using Goucher Student E-mail
 - All important billing & financial aid e-mails will go only to your secure Goucher student e-mail in order to meet privacy regulations. Please transition to using your Goucher e-mail only, or set up e-mail forwarding if desired.
- Activate Goucher Financial Aid Portal – [Net Partner](#)
 - Net Partner is the system where you review needed documents and accept/decline aid. Before activating, you need to be an officially expected student with a Goucher ID and Goucher e-mail assigned.
 - **PLEASE NOTE** that billing and statements are a separate system with a different login and password: <https://www.goucher.edu/billing/e-billing-and-online-payments/>
- Complete Entrance Counseling and MPN (Master Promissory Note)
 - Usually only needs to be submitted your first year. Links are below, and the login is the same as for your FAFSA.
 - You don't need to wait to have loans accepted, and may submit early using estimates.
 - Entrance Counseling: <https://studentaid.gov/app/counselingInstructions.action?counselingType=entrance>
 - MPN: <https://studentaid.gov/mpn/>

If you have any questions, e-mail finaid@goucher.edu or call 410-337-6141