

# How to Apply

Please see the appropriate section for information regarding how to apply for financial aid.

## Undergraduate

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA<sup>®</sup>) is available online. This form must be completed as soon as possible after October 1.

The information for financial assistance is then processed by the federal processor and sent to Student Financial Services at the university. The FAFSA code for JWU is 003404.

### Verification and Other Documentation

Student Financial Services may request additional documentation to verify information provided on the FAFSA. The student's financial aid offer will not be complete until all requested documentation has been received and reviewed by Financial Aid. All student loan borrowers must complete an entrance and exit counseling session during which students will be advised on their loan obligations as well as a Master Promissory Note (MPN) which explains the terms and conditions of the borrower's federal student loan(s).

### Student Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for financial aid, the student must meet the following basic eligibility criteria:

1. Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen.
2. Maintain satisfactory academic progress. (Financial aid will be suspended until satisfactory academic progress is again achieved.)
3. Be enrolled in a degree program or eligible certificate program.
4. Not owe a refund on a Federal Pell Grant, or be in default on a Federal Student Loan or Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS).
5. Sign the certification statement on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA<sup>®</sup>) form stating that you are not in default on a federal student loan, you do not owe money on a federal student grant, and you will only use federal student aid for educational purposes.
6. For most programs, must demonstrate financial need.
7. Have a valid Social Security number (with the exception of students from the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, or the Republic of Palau).
8. Be enrolled at least half-time to be eligible for Direct Loan Program funds.
9. Show you are qualified to obtain a college education by having a high school diploma or a state-recognized equivalent such as a general educational development (GED) certificate.

Students are eligible to receive financial aid as long as they maintain satisfactory academic progress as defined in this catalog. Students who fail to maintain satisfactory academic progress will be notified by Student Financial Services.

Students may request a review of their financial aid eligibility due to special and/or unique circumstances (e.g., loss of income, change in dependency status based on a unique situation). For additional information please contact your financial planner.

Financial need is the difference between the cost of the student's education (tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies, transportation and personal expenses) and the total contribution expected from the student and his/her family. The student's total family contribution is based on an analysis of the information which the student and/or parent supplied on the FAFSA. Some of the items considered are total family income, assets, the number of people in the household, and the student's own resources, such as earnings, savings and untaxed income which the student may receive. Johnson & Wales University also considers these items when determining eligibility for university funds.

For additional information regarding eligibility, please visit the Federal Student Aid website.

## Graduate

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### Student Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for federal aid programs, the student must meet the following criteria:

1. Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen.
2. Maintain satisfactory academic progress. (Financial aid will be suspended until satisfactory academic progress is again achieved.)
3. Be enrolled in a degree program or eligible certificate program.
4. Not owe a refund on a Federal Pell Grant, or be in default on a Federal Student Loan or Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS).
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6. Have a valid Social Security number (with the exception of students from the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, or the Republic of Palau).
7. Be enrolled at least half-time to be eligible for Direct Loan Program funds.
8. Show you are qualified to obtain a college education by having a high school diploma or a state-recognized equivalent such as a general educational development (GED) certificate as well as a college degree.

Students are eligible to receive financial aid as long as they maintain satisfactory academic progress as defined in this catalog. Students who fail to maintain satisfactory academic progress will be notified by Student Financial Services.

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