

# PATH TO RECEIVING FINANCIAL AID

FIU's School Code **009635** In order for FIU to receive your FAFSA application, you must list FIU on your application by searching for the school name or using our school code.

## FREE FAFSA APPLICATION

Fill out your FAFSA early! Some aid is available on a first-come, first-served basis. On October 1st, the FAFSA is available for the upcoming academic year. Complete your FAFSA by FIU's priority deadline of March 1st.



## FAFSA.GOV

Complete the FAFSA online at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov). This needs to be done at the beginning of each academic year.

## COMPLETION

To complete the FAFSA, you'll need to provide personal and tax-related information.



## SUBMIT

Once your application is processed, you will receive a copy of your Student Aid Report (SAR), which summarizes the information you provided on your FAFSA. Check for accuracy and make any necessary changes.

## TYPES OF FEDERAL AID

The FAFSA helps FIU determine the types of federal student aid you are eligible to receive.

### GRANTS

A grant is a type of funding that you do not have to pay back. The sooner and more often you apply for grants, the greater your chances are.

### WORK-STUDY

Federal work-study provides part-time jobs, allowing you to earn money to help pay education expenses without having to pay it back.

### LOANS

Federal student loans are an investment in your future. A loan is money you borrow and must pay back with interest.

## DON'T FORGET

### CHECK YOUR TO-DO LISTS

Your to-do list will hold any forms that you need to fill out. You will only receive your award letter once forms are complete and submitted.

### AWARD LETTER

Once your to-do list is completed and your FAFSA is processed, your award letter will be posted. The offer will include the types and amounts of financial aid you are being offered from federal, state, and FIU sources.