

When to Apply - Financial Aid Deadline

BMCC recommends that you submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by **March 1** so that you'll meet the priority deadline of completing your financial aid file by **June 30**. This deadline is for new and returning students. If you have other sources of financial aid, such as a direct pay by your tribe or employer, please submit a copy of the documentation to the Financial Aid Office by August 1 of each year. If you only plan to attend in the spring semester, complete the FAFSA by **October 1** and provide authorization of other financial aid by **December 1**.

If you miss the financial aid deadline, you may still apply for financial aid during the semester you are enrolled; however, you will be required to pay for your books at the time of purchase. You will also be required to pay in full or setup a payment plan (available for on-campus students) for your tuition and fees within five business days from the beginning of the semester. If you're eligible for financial aid, refund checks will be issued during the semester for any excess financial aid.