

2021-2022 OSAC Update

OCT 1

2022-23 FAFSA and ORSAA Open

Students should submit their FAFSA or ORSAA as soon as possible to maximize their chances at receiving financial aid

NOV 1

OSAC Scholarship Application Opens

Most scholarships require a completed FAFSA or ORSAA to be eligible

FEB 15

Early Bird Scholarship Deadline

Error-free scholarship applications received by this deadline are entered for a chance to win a \$1,000 scholarship

MAR 1

Scholarship Application Final Deadline

Students should check their email and student portal regularly for updates on their OSAC Scholarship Application

JUN 1

Oregon Promise Application Deadline

For high school students graduating from Mar 1 to Jun 30; see website for alternate deadlines for other high school and GED® test graduates

All deadlines are 5:00 pm (PST/PDT).

FAFSA & ORSAA

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Oregon Student Aid Application (ORSAA) are the two primary financial aid applications for students pursuing a higher education degree.

Students can only complete the FAFSA if they are a U.S. citizen or an eligible non-resident. The ORSAA serves as an alternative to the FAFSA, solely for students who have undocumented status or Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) status. Students with a valid visa and international students are not eligible to complete the FAFSA or the ORSAA. Students should only fill out either the FAFSA or the ORSAA, not both.

FAFSA: [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov)

ORSAA: [OregonStudentAid.gov](https://oregonstudentaid.gov)

Student Support Programs

ASPIRE

ASPIRE is a college and career readiness program that helps middle and high school students explore training and education opportunities after high school. To learn more about participating in ASPIRE, including how to start an ASPIRE site, visit OregonStudentAid.gov/aspire

FAFSA Plus+

The FAFSA Plus+ program gives its partner schools and organizations access to student-level data on FAFSA completion. This allows site staff to provide extra support to their high school seniors who have not yet completed their FAFSA. If you're interested in becoming a site, get in contact with us!

OregonStudentAid.gov

STATE AID PROGRAMS

Oregon Opportunity Grant (OOG)

The OOG is Oregon's largest state-funded, need-based grant program. Grant awardees must be pursuing an undergraduate degree at an eligible Oregon institution, and they must be enrolled at least half-time.

How to Apply: Complete your FAFSA or ORSAA as soon as possible (funds awarded until depleted)

2021-22 Maximum Awards: \$2,778 (2-year college), \$3,612 (4-year college or university)

Oregon Promise Grant

Oregon Promise is a state grant that helps students pay for tuition at any Oregon community college. Eligible students are recent high school graduates and recent GED® test graduates. Students must meet all eligibility criteria and complete the application process by their respective deadline. High school students should apply for Oregon Promise *during their senior year* and GED® students should apply right after they complete their program. Depending on available funding and number of applicants, OSAC may be required to establish/adjust an EFC limit for award decision-making.

How to Apply: Complete your FAFSA or ORSAA and submit an Oregon Promise application by your deadline

Deadlines for HS Seniors: Nov 1 (July-Nov graduates), Feb 1 (Oct-Feb graduates), June 1 (Mar-June graduates)

2021-22 Award Range: \$1,000 - \$4,131 (before \$50 per term co-pay)

Other Public Programs

Oregon administers additional public grants, including:

Oregon Chafee Education and Training Grant

Deadline: varies by term date; see website

Oregon Student Child Care Grant

Deadline: May 31

Oregon National Guard State Tuition Assistance

Deadline: varies by term date; see website

Deceased or Disabled Public Safety Officer Grant

Deadline: until funds are depleted

Applications, eligibility criteria, full deadlines, and award amounts are under the Grants tab on our website.

OSAC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

OSAC administers more than 600 scholarships for Oregon students. These scholarships are accessible through our OSAC Scholarship Application, which is open from Nov 1 to Mar 1 each year. There are a wide array of need-based and merit-based scholarships available; award amounts and renewal guidelines vary by award. Visit OregonStudentAid.gov for a full catalog of scholarships.

How to Apply: Complete the OSAC Scholarship Application by March 1 at 5pm.

OUTREACH RESOURCES

Upon request, OSAC offers a number of physical and virtual resources for students, families, educators, and community members. Under the Outreach tab on our website you can find prerecorded financial aid guides, request a live presentation, or order publications for your site.