Financial Aid at LMU

Financing the cost of college is a major commitment, and the LMU Financial Aid Office is dedicated to helping you understand the financial aid resources available to you, and the steps you will need to take to ensure that you maximize these opportunities. While you may already be familiar with the aid application process at LMU, it’s important to remain aware of key deadlines and next steps for ensuring your aid eligibility. Let’s get started!

FOUR STEPS TO FINANCIAL AID

Step 1: Complete the 2019-2020 Free Application for Student Aid (FAFSA) online by March 2, 2019.

The FAFSA is required to be considered for federal, state and LMU-funded financial aid including most academic scholarships and the Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan. Apply online at https://fafsa.ed.gov/. Remember, in order for you and your son or daughter to sign the FAFSA electronically, you both must have an FSA ID. Failure to complete the FAFSA by March 2, 2019 could result in the loss of LMU-funded aid and a delay in receiving a financial aid award. After completing the FAFSA, the student will receive an emailed link to the Student Aid Report (SAR) within 3-5 business days. We recommend that you review the information on the SAR carefully to ensure that it is complete and accurate.

Step 2: Use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool to Complete the FAFSA

You and your student should consider using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (DRT) when you complete the FAFSA. The IRS DRT will update your FAFSA with your federal tax information directly from the IRS. Using the IRS DRT will reduce the probability that LMU will be required to request documentation from you to verify your tax information.

Step 3: Be on the lookout for emails from the Financial Aid Office

Although the Financial Aid Office will send reminder e-mails to your student’s LMU Lion e-mail account when new requirements are posted, your student is encouraged to check his or her PROWL account regularly until your 2019-2020 financial aid award is posted to PROWL.

Step 4: Continue Communication with the Financial Aid Office!
Additional information may be required from you or your students to complete your financial aid application throughout the year. If additional documentation is needed, the Financial Aid Office will communicate with your student through PROWL messaging and their LMU Lion e-mail address.

If you have questions about the financial aid application process, please contact the Financial Aid Office at finaid@lmu.edu or by phone at 310.338.2753.

**HOW TO SUBMIT DOCUMENTS:**

**By Secure Upload:**

The Department of Education does not permit the Financial Aid Office to receive documents containing Personally Identifiable Information (PII) by email. Please sign and scan documents and use the [Secure Upload](#) functionality if you wish to send documents electronically.

**By Mail:**
Financial Aid Office  
Loyola Marymount University  
Charles Von der Ahe Building  
1 LMU Drive, Suite 270  
Los Angeles, CA 90045-2659

**By Fax:**
Include a cover letter with your student’s name, LMU ID and the number of pages to 310.338.2793.

Until next time!

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If you have any questions or concerns, please email us at lmuparentprograms@lmu.edu.

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