

Apply for Financial Aid In 7 Easy Steps

Northern Arizona University is committed to helping all students — regardless of economic background — pursue a high-quality education. In this academic year alone, NAU has awarded over \$300 million in financial aid.

Here are seven easy steps to take to apply* for financial aid:

- 1. **COMPLETE YOUR FAFSA**. Go to **fafsa.gov**. If you haven't done so already, create your new FSA ID. Then complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) using last year's income information (must be completed by Feb. 1st to be considered for grants with limited funding). NAU's school code is **001082**.
- 2. **ENROLL IN CLASSES.** Work with your your academic advisor to enroll.
 - Undergraduate: 6 hours = half-time; 12+ hours = full-time
 - Graduate: 5 hours = half-time; 9+ hours = full-time
 - Dual enrollment: Attending two schools? Complete a consortium agreement at nau.edu/consortium.
- 3. ACCEPT YOUR FINANCIAL AID IN LOUIE. Once you are admitted and NAU has received your FAFSA, you should be awarded financial aid within 2-3 weeks. Log in to LOUIE to view and accept/decline your aid and check your To Do List for any items required for your aid to be awarded and/or disbursed.
- 4. SIGN A MASTER PROMISSORY NOTE AND COMPLETE ENTRANCE COUNSELING.

Log in to **studentloans.gov** with your FSA ID to sign your Master Promissory Note – a legal promise to repay your loan(s). You will also need to complete an online Entrance Counseling session that explains your responsibilities as a student loan borrower. Complete both steps only once while a student at NAU.

- **5. COMPLETE YOUR TITLE IV AUTHORIZATION.** Go to your To Do List in LOUIE. Completing this authorization gives NAU permission to disburse your aid to pay for other NAU charges not related to your tuition (e.g., health insurance).
- **6. SIGN UP FOR DIRECT DEPOSIT IN LOUIE.** You will receive a refund within 3-5 business days from the day of disbursement.
- 7. **ENROLL IN THE TUITION PAYMENT PLAN.** If your aid does not cover all your tuition, enroll in a Tuition Payment Plan via LOUIE. Your tuition will be divided into five monthly payments. There is a service fee to enroll.

Stay informed! Keep your contact information up to date in LOUIE to receive important updates from NAU and the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid.

*Only degree-seeking students can receive financial aid.

Need Help?

Visit: nau.edu/finaid

Email: financial.aid@nau.edu

Call: 855-628-6333

Go: Visit your local

NAU campus

Where to find scholarships

- nau.edu/finaid
- fastweb.com
- · finaid.org

(Applications open December-March)

