

# FINANCIAL AID CHECKLIST

► 2025-2026 ◀

## 1. FAFSA

- ☐ FAFSA opens Oct. 1, 2025.
- ☐ Submit FAFSA by Feb. 1, 2026 for priority consideration.
- ☐ [studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa](https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa)

## 2. LAKELAND UNIVERSITY FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION

- ☐ Students will receive an email when the LU app for financial aid is available.
- ☐ Submit LU app by March 1, 2026 for priority consideration for Lakeland Endowed Scholarships.
- ☐ Available online at [my.lakeland.edu](https://my.lakeland.edu) > Financial Aid Student Access (NetPartner) > Menu > Applications

## 3. SUBMIT ANY ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS

- ☐ After your FAFSA and LU app are submitted, review “Documents” in Net Partner to determine if you need to submit anything additional.
- ☐ Submit any additional documents by March 15, 2026 by uploading to your NetPartner page.
- ☐ You may download any missing documents from Net Partner on the “Documents” page or contact the
- ☐ Financial Aid Office for assistance.

## 4. ACCEPT/DECLINE AWARDS ONLINE

- ☐ After the financial aid office has received everything needed above, a financial aid package will be prepared. You will receive an email notifying you that your aid is ready for your review and acceptance.
- ☐ Review your financial aid on NetPartner > Menu > Accept Awards.
- ☐ Estimate your costs and payments using the online Lakeland out-of-pocket calculator
- ☐ Accept or decline your financial aid by June 15, 2026.

## 5. APPLY FOR OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

- ☐ Apply for scholarships all year round.
- ☐ Find scholarships on [my.lakeland.edu](https://my.lakeland.edu) > Student > Financial Aid
- ☐ Recommended national scholarship search engines:
  - [www.fastweb.com](https://www.fastweb.com)
  - [www.collegescholarships.org](https://www.collegescholarships.org)
  - [www.unigo.com](https://www.unigo.com)
  - [www.scholarships.com](https://www.scholarships.com)
  - [www.collegegreenlight.com](https://www.collegegreenlight.com)
  - [www.supercollege.com](https://www.supercollege.com)
  - [www.moneygeek.com](https://www.moneygeek.com)



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