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OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

Things Students Need to Know About Financial Aid and Billing

1. Email

Your [@rams email](#) is the primary way our office communicates with you! Check this regularly to access important information regarding your financial aid or billing information.

2. RAMweb

Check [RAMweb](#) on a regular basis to:

- Access financial aid eligibility, requirements, and awards
- View holds or financial aid action items
- Make payments or view billing statements
- Sign up for financial aid refund direct deposit
- Search for student employment opportunities

3. FAMweb

Establish [FAMweb](#) for parents or trusted individuals to give access to records such as financial aid information, eBilling, or tax information (1098-T).

4. FAFSA

Complete a [Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#) by the priority deadline of March 1 each year to apply for financial aid or be considered for need-based scholarships. The application is available as early as October 1.

5. Billing

There is one payment due date each term.

- Fall- University charges billed in August & due on September 10th
- Spring- University charges billed in January & due on February 10th
- Summer- University charges billed in May & due on June 10th

6. Refunds

The earliest aid may disburse is 10 days before classes start. Many things may impact the [timing of your refund](#). Most commonly delays occur for students who make registration changes, take on-line classes, or are enrolled part time. The soonest you could receive a refund would be the Thursday before classes start if you have signed up for direct deposit in RAMweb.

7. CSUSA

The [CSU scholarship application](#) is available in RAMweb from December 1 through March 1 each year. The CSUSA is an online scholarship application for many of the scholarships at CSU. Scholarships are available in all class levels, including merit-based and financial need-based scholarships.

8. Academics

Academic progress may impact financial aid or scholarship eligibility. Please review our satisfactory [academic progress policy](#) to learn more about the financial aid implications of academic progress.

9. Class Level

The Department of Education determines [how much loan](#) you will be eligible for each academic year based on your class level and dependency status.

10. Credit Requirements for Financial Aid

You must be at least half time to receive financial aid, with few exceptions. Most grants and scholarships require full time enrollment. For more information, please reference page 19 of the [Financial Aid Guide](#).