Florida Student Scholarship & Grant Programs – State Update

Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA)

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State Scholarships and Grants

SSFAD Program Acronym	Program Name
ABLE	Access to Better Learning and Education Grant
BF	Bright Futures Scholarship Program
CDDV	Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans
FIS	Benacquisto Scholarship Program
FRAG	Effective Access to Student Education
FSAG	Florida Student Assistance Grant

State Scholarships and Grants: 2018-19

Program Acronym	Students	Disbursements ($ Millions)
ABLE	2,292	$5.99
BF	101,152	$489.72
CDDV	1,680	$6.79
FIS	1,155	$17.00
FRAG	45,708	$136.34
FSAG	179,134	$262.99

Numbers are as of 5/15/2019

Bright Futures Awards

Award Acronym	Award Name
FAS	Florida Academic Scholars
FMS	Florida Medallion Scholars
GSC	Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars
GSV	Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars

Bright Futures Scholars

Year	Scholarship Recipients
2008-09	169,366
2009-10	177,612
2010-11	179,076
2011-12	174,047
2012-13	162,980
2013-14	153,800
2014-15	128,545
2015-16	110,802
2016-17	96,806
2017-18	94,137
2018-19*	101,291
2019-20*	106,329

* Projections based on March 2019 Estimating Conference.

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2019 Legislative Session

Four Year Appropriation Comparison

Program	2016-17 Appropriation	2017-18 Appropriation	2018-19 Appropriation	2019-20 Appropriation
Bright Futures	$217.30	$397.28	$519.70	$595.14
CDDV	$4.86	$5.76	$6.28	$7.68
FSAG	$148.44	$269.40	$269.40	$269.40
FRAG	$115.26	$125.45	$136.82	$113.91
Benacquisto	$12.92	$14.28	$17.04	$21.37
ABLE	$5.01	$6.83	$6.34	$4.95

NOTE: Appropriation amounts are in millions.

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2019 Award Amounts
Florida Academic Scholars (FAS)

- Amount to cover 100% Tuition and applicable Fees
  (at a public institution or comparable amount at a nonpublic institution)

- $300 each fall and spring semester for textbooks and college-related expenses

- Summer 2018 - 100% Tuition and applicable Fees

- Academic Top Scholars – additional stipend of $44 per credit hour (Fall and Spring)

2019 Award Amounts
Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS)

- Amount to cover 75% Tuition and applicable Fees
  (at a public institution or comparable amount at a nonpublic institution)

- Summer 2019 - 75% Tuition and applicable Fees

2019 Award Amounts
Gold Seal CAPE (GSC), Gold Seal Vocational (GSV)

Program Type	Semester Per Credit Hour Award
PSAV	$39
ATD	$39
AS, AAS, CCC	$48

After a GSC recipient earns an AS or AAS degree, he/she may receive up to 60 additional hours toward a BS or BAS.

Program Type	Semester Per Credit Hour Award
BS	$48
BAS	$48

2019 Award Amounts
Florida Student Assistance Grants (FSAG)

Program Type	Minimum Award	Maximum Award	EFC Maximum
Public	$200	$2,610	5576
Private	$200	$2,610	6080
Postsecondary	$200	$2,610	5542
Career Education	$200	$2,610	N/A

2019 Award Amounts

Access to Better Learning and Education (ABLE)/ Effective Access to Student Education (EASE)

Program	Maximum Award
ABLE	$2,841
EASE	$2,841

First Generation Matching Grant

- Funding changes from a 1:1 to a 2:1 match

- 2019-20 Appropriation: $10.6 million

Benacquisto Scholarship

- Extends eligibility to National Merit Scholars who are non-Florida residents

- Award will be equal to that of an in-state student

- Out-of-state recipients are exempt from paying out-of-state fees

Florida Farmworker Student Scholarship

- Provides total of 50 scholarships annually

- Scholarships cover tuition and applicable fees at a Florida <u>public</u> postsecondary institution

- Recipient must enroll full-time and maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA

- SSFAD Program Code: FFSS

State Reporting

- December 1 – Deadline for both the Loan Volume Report and the Student Financial Aid Report (SFAR)

- Specifies that the data for SFAR is to be reported at the student level

State Programs
What You Need to Know

State Calendar

Institution Renewal Application – closes June 6

Grade & Hours (Spring) – closes June 30

Reconciliation (Fall/Spring) – request funds June 1

Reconciliation (Summer) – request funds June 21

Summer DER – closes August 9

Grade & Hours (Summer) – closes September 30

DER File Layout

Highlights for 2019-20

- File length remains the same
- FRAG = Effective Access to Student Education Grant
- FFSS = Florida Farmworker Student Scholarship

Disbursement Eligibility Report (DER)

- OSFA encourages institutions to put students on the DER prior to actually funding the student to ensure the students are allowed to be funded

- Other checks made on the DER include:
  - Student owes for prior year dropped/withdrawn hours
  - Student did not meet renewal requirements
  - Student has no remaining hours or terms
  - Student disbursement greater than allowable
  - Student previously awarded baccalaureate degree

Deadlines

Bright Futures

- Report Students on DER – 30 days after the end of regular registration each semester

- Undisbursed funds – return funds 60 days after the end of the regular registration

- Drop/Withdrawn Hours – return funds 30 days after the end of the semester

Deadlines (Cont.)

Effective Access to Student Education (EASE) Grant

- Report Students on DER
  - Term 1: October 30
  - Term 2: February 28
- Undisbursed funds – return funds 60 days after the end of the regular registration

Deadlines (Cont.)

<u>Access to Better Learning and Education Grant (ABLE)</u>

Undisbursed funds – return funds 60 days after the end of the regular registration

Deadlines (Cont.)

Schools failing to meet the statutory
deadlines for returning funds may be
provided program funds on a
reimbursement basis the following term
or subsequent academic year.

Payment Summary Screen

- Review voucher amounts by program and term

- Review if your institution owes OSFA, or if OSFA owes your institution for current and prior years

- Check the "I agree" box to request additional funds

- Attach the completed Refund Transmittal form with your refund check

Payment Summary Screen (Cont.)

	Q Search	Clear

☑ I agree with OSFA's Payment Summary

☑ I agree that Dropped/Withdrawn (D04) Reporting is Complete.

Last Date Reconciled **05/09/2019**

Last D04 Date Reconciled **01/29/2019**

Submit

SECTION I: Summary Report		⌄
Total Disbursed to Students		$5,699,379.28
Total Number of Student Awards Funded		5,851
Total Admin Cost Spent		$0.00
Total Refunds from Institution		$23,385.25
Total Current Year Funding from OSFA		$5,658,675.02
	Amount OSFA Owes Institution	$0.00
	Amount Institution Owes OSFA	$29,841.99

SECTION II: Detailed Report						⌄
Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Program Code	Check Number	Warrant Amount	Refund Received	Amount Disbursed to Students	Number of Student Awards Funded
08/13/2018	* BF	76931	$735,363.00	$0.00	$0.00	0
08/16/2018	* CDDV	85474	$60,946.00	$0.00	$0.00	0
08/20/2018	FSAGCE	91273	$6,013.00	$0.00	$0.00	0
08/21/2018	FSAGPU	93828	$4,580,031.00	$0.00	$0.00	0

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Total unduplicated student count for the selected academic year is: 6,869

*Based on the academic calendar reported by your Institution your refund is due by: 11/03/2018

Refund Transmittal Form

Student Refund Report

Reconciliation/Population Report

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Payment Summary Screen (Cont.)

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FSAG Process for 2019-20

- Base amount = 90% of 2019-20 disbursements.

- Remaining appropriation distributed based on all eligible students reported by all institutions.

- Each semester term allocation will represent 50% of the total annual allocation.

- Per administrative rule, refunds are due to the department within sixty (60) days of the end of the institution's regular registration period.

- Report all 'otherwise eligible' (C99) students to OSFA by April 1 in order to be considered for supplemental funds.

- Reconcile and return any undisbursed funds by June 1.

Effective Access to Student Education

Eligible Students:

- U.S. Citizen

- Florida Resident

- Attend an eligible institution full-time (12 credit hours)

- Enroll as an undergraduate student, in the process of attaining a first bachelor's or baccalaureate degree

  - Associate of Arts

  - Bachelor's of Arts

  - Bachelor's of Science

Bright Futures Summer Funding

All eligible Florida Academic Scholars (FAS) and Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS) may be funded summer 2019.

Students who are FAS/FMS Eligible for 2018-19 (Term 6)

- Native Students
- Transfer Students

Students who are FAS/FMS Eligible for 2019-20 (Term 0)

- Initial Students – 2019 high school graduates

Bright Futures Summer Funding

Students who are FAS/FMS Eligible for 2018-19

Fall 2018	Spring 2019	Summer 2019
Term 1	Term 2	Term 6

Students who are FAS/FMS Eligible for 2019-20

Summer 2019	Fall 2019	Spring 2020	Summer 2020
Term 0	Term 1	Term 2	Term 6

NOTE: Term 0 of Summer 2019 is for 2019 high school graduates only. Eligible Reinstatement or Restoration students will begin 2019-20 eligibility in Term 1 (Fall 2019).

Bright Futures Summer Funding

Summer Deadlines:

- Summer sessions with May or early to mid-June drop/add dates – Reconcile by June 22.

- Summer sessions with late June or July drop/add dates – Reconcile by August 1.

- Summer Term 6 DER closes August 10

- An institution that receives funds from the program for the summer term shall remit to the department any undisbursed advances within 30 days after the end of the summer term.

State Program's Home Page

http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAidsg.org/SSFAD/home/uamain.htm

Website Footer

APPLICATIONS

Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) - 📄 [2018-2019]

Reinstatement/Restoration Application - 📄 [2018-2019]

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

REPORTS

Annual Report to the Commissioner -(Archives)

End-of-Year Reports -(Archives)

Bright Futures Statistical Reports

RESOURCES

Federal Student Aid

Financial Aid Terms and Definitions

Money For College Brochure

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State Programs Annual Calendar

State Programs Policy Manual

Postsecondary User Guide

Introduction and Calendar

How to Complete the Loan Volume Report

How to Understand the Reconciliation and Payment Summary

How to Complete the Student Certification Process for G&H

How to Complete the Allocation-Reallocation Process

How to Use the Master Eligibility List

How to Complete the Institution Application

How to Access DER/Eligibility Determination Lists

https://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAidsg.org/admin/SAWPDFREDIR.ASP?UserType=PSIguide

Partnership

Outreach Services Unit

- 377,950 - Financial Aid/Literacy print materials shipped to both secondary and postsecondary institutions

- 132 - Financial Aid events coordinated statewide via OSFA Speakers Bureau

- 94 - Financial Aid trainings provided

- Resource:

  - www.NavigatingYourFinancialFuture.org

NOTE: Figures are through May 2019

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