

PRIORITY DATES FOR THE 2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR	
For loan funds to be available on the first day of class for the following quarters:	Materials must be received by:
Summer 2026 **	May 15, 2026
Fall 2026	August 1, 2026
Winter 2027	November 1, 2026
Spring 2027	February 1, 2027
Summer 2027 **	May 1, 2027
DEADLINE DATES FOR THE 2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR	
For loan periods* ending in the following quarters:	Loan requests received after these dates will not be processed.
Summer 2026 **	July 31, 2026
Fall 2026	November 20, 2026
Winter 2027	February 26, 2027
Spring 2027	May 28, 2027
Summer 2027 **	July 30, 2027

* The loan period is the term for which the funds are being borrowed. In any academic year, the minimum loan period is (1) quarter; the maximum loan period is (4) quarters.

****IMPORTANT:** Students must complete the appropriate FAFSA based on the **academic year** for which loan funds are requested. For students who plan to enroll in a Summer quarter in:

The Graduate School or in the ***School of Communications***, the summer quarter is the last term of the academic year. The Summer 2026 quarter would be considered part of the **2025-2026** academic year. The Summer 2027 quarter would be considered part of the **2026-2027** academic year.

The ***McCormick School of Engineering*** or in the ***School of Education and Social Policy***, the summer term is the first term of the academic year. In this case, the Summer 2026 quarter would be considered part of the **2026-2027** academic year. The Summer 2027 quarter would be considered part of the **2027-2028** academic year.

The **2025-2026 FAFSA** is available for completion from Dec 1st, 2024 thru June 30th, 2026 and is based on your 2023 federal tax return. The **2026-2027 FAFSA** is available for completion from Dec 1st, 2025 thru June 30th, 2027 and is based on your 2024 federal tax return.