Federal and Institutional Financial Aid

• Required Documents
  • Free Application for Federal Student Aid
    • 2021-2022 FAFSA- studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa

• Planned Enrollment Form
  • GS site (GS Site > Financing Your Education)

• For consideration for GS institutional aid, complete family and parental information is required on the CSS Profile application from both custodial and non-custodial parents. If the parents have separate households (unmarried, separated, or divorced,) complete financial information for both parental households must be provided on the application. Please note: all applicants who are at least 36 years old by December 31, 2021 will not be required to provide parental information.

• Students who will not receive VA benefits for any given term can be considered for GS Scholarship for that term

• Questions can be emailed to financial aid at: gs_financial_aid@columbia.edu
Types of Federal Financial Aid

- Direct Stafford Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans
  - Interest rate for 2021-2022: 3.73%
- Federal Work-Study: up to $4,000 of eligibility per academic year
  - Amount can likely be increased if limit of eligibility is met
  - Contact the Office of Educational Financing
- Pell Grant: up to $6,495 per academic year
- SEOG Grant: up to $1,400 per academic year

Please be advised, if you are in the Postbaccalaureate Premedical Program, you are ineligible for the Pell Grant.
### Direct Federal Stafford Loan Limits | Independent Students

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