

# File the FAFSA For 2024-2025

Make sure you have all of the documents you need (see below)

- 1) Go to <https://studentaid.gov/> and click on “Start Here”
- 2) Create your FSA ID:
  - a. If you have not created an FSA ID yet, select “[Create an FSA ID](#)”
  - b. You will need a current e-mail account, and an active phone number
  - c. If dependent, be sure to create one for a parent as well
  - d. Once completed, return to the FAFSA to continue.When you create your FSA IDs, be sure to write them down.
- 3) Click “Log In”, Enter your FSA ID and Password, and select “Log In”.
- 4) Select “FAFSA Form” from the top menu and then “Complete the FAFSA Form”
- 5) Under [2024-25 FAFSA](#) Form, select “Start New Form”.
- 6) Follow on screen prompts and answer basic questions about yourself
- 7) Choose schools to have the FAFSA information sent to (USCL’s school code is 003453)
- 8) Answer income information about yourself:
  - a. Federal tax information for [2022](#) will be transferred automatically.
  - b. Report [current](#) assets (savings, investments, business)
  - c. Report other resources (like child support)
- 9) Answer “Dependency” questions (Dependent student must add parents to the FAFSA)
- 10) Invite your contributors (parent(s) or spouse) to add complete the FAFSA
  - a. This sends them an email with a link to <https://studentaid.gov/>
  - b. They need to have or create an FSA ID
  - c. Their tax information for [2022](#) will be transferred automatically.
  - d. They may be asked for [current](#) assets and other resources.
- 11) Each person electronically “Signs” the FAFSA.
- 12) Submit the FAFSA and save your confirmation number (take a photo)

## To complete the FAFSA you will need the following items for yourself and your spouse or parents:

- Social Security numbers, Full Name, Dates of Birth
- A valid and accessible e-mail address and phone number for the student and each contributor
- [2022](#) year income information:
  - [Federal](#) tax information is now transferred directly from the IRS
  - Other income earned in [2022](#), if you did not file taxes on that income
- [Current](#) total net value of cash, savings, checking accounts, investments (stocks, bonds, CDs, etc.), land and properties (other than your home), large private businesses (those with 100 or more employees), and business farms...  
**UNLESS your total income in [2022](#) was less than \$50,000, AND...**
  - in [2022](#) or [2023](#); someone in your household received SSI, SNAP, Free/Reduce Lunches, TANF or WIC; or
  - you or your parent (If dependent) filed a 1040 but did NOT file a Schedule 1; or
  - you or your parent (If dependent) were a dislocated worker.
- Your alien registration card and/or Visa (if you are not a U.S. citizen)

Still need help? Contact the USCL Financial Aid Office...

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