

FINANCIAL AID ELIGIBILITY

All students should be aware of the following information regarding financial aid eligibility:

- Financial aid will only pay for classes required for a student's major as identified by the Registrar's Office. Students should refer to the major course requirements before registering for classes.
- All financial aid recipients must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP). Students in a certificate, associate degree, or bachelor degree program are required to maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA. Graduate students must maintain a 3.00 GPA.
- The SAP quantitative standard requires undergraduate students to successfully complete the cumulative credit hours associated to the total attempted hours by degree listed below. At a total of 16 attempted hours, Associate degree programs must have a minimum of 67% for the completion of attempted hours. At a total of 46 attempted hours, Bachelor degree programs must have a minimum of 67% for the completion of attempted hours. To calculate the 67% completion ratio take cumulative earned hours divided by the cumulative attempted hours. Graduate students must complete 67% of courses attempted during a given semester.

Associates Degree Requirements

| Total Attempted Hours | Required Earned Percentage |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 0-15 | 60% |
| 16 and more | 67% |

Bachelors Degree Requirements

| Total Attempted Hours | Required Earned Percentage |
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| 0-15 | 57% |
| 16-30 | 60% |
| 31-45 | 63% |
| 46 and more | 67% |

- Course work used to evaluate SAP for degree programs includes all attempted hours at Clayton State University, including Learning Support and repeat courses, as well as most transfer hours regardless of whether or not you received financial aid for those terms of enrollment. Course work used to evaluate SAP for certificate programs includes all attempted hours required for that specific program only. Students who do not meet the SAP standards are not eligible for financial aid with the exception of those students in a WARNING or PROBATION status as described by our Financial Aid SAP Policy <https://clayton.edu/financial-aid/sap.php>.
- Financial aid will pay up to 150% of Clayton State's programs of study for the maximum time frame. For example: Associate Degrees are 60 credit hours, financial aid will pay for a total of 90 attempted credit hours, Bachelor's Degrees are 120 credit hours and financial aid will pay up to 180 attempted credit hours. Students in a certificate program are allowed to attempt up to 150% of the hours required for that specific certificate program. Example: The Paralegal Certificate program requires 30 hours, so students in that program may attempt up to 45 hours required for that program.
- Students admitted on a joint-enrollment basis are not eligible for financial aid.

- Financial aid recipients enrolled at two or more colleges/universities at the same time cannot receive duplicate federal financial aid at both schools.
- Students must be attending at least 6 credit hours in their major to be eligible for a student loan. (Graduate students require 5 credit hours.)
- Students who register for a second half semester course (mini session) have fees due at the regular published fee payment deadlines even though in some cases federal student loan funds may not be available until the second session has actually begun.
- Enrollment for federal grant recipients is "frozen" each semester at the end of the schedule adjustment period. Students must be registered for all parts of term before the freeze date to receive federal grants for that class.
- All financial aid recipients are strongly encouraged go to Clayton State's Office of Financial Aid website at <http://www.clayton.edu/financial-aid> for additional or updated information on financial aid requirements, procedures, and frequently asked questions, and to view the Student Rights & Responsibilities.

Veterans Affairs assists eligible veterans and their families in utilizing their educational benefits to the fullest advantage. Information on VA Services and the application processes can be found at <http://www.clayton.edu/financial-aid/veterans> (<http://www.clayton.edu/financial-aid/veterans/>).