

Financial Aid Checklist

✓ **Submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid:** Date Completed: _____
“Start a new FAFSA” or “Login” and select “FAFSA Renewal”
at www.FAFSA.gov

✓ **Get Admitted to RCC:** Date Completed: _____
www.roguecc.edu/students/start.asp

✓ **Review your Student Aid Report (SAR):** Date Completed: _____
“Correct...” or “Check the status...” at www.FAFSA.gov

✓ **Watch your Email! Submit all required documents:** Date Completed: _____
Normal wait time for an Award Letter or Eligibility
Notification is approximately 6 weeks from the day you complete your application by submitting ALL required documents.



...up to 6 week wait...

✓ **Review and Accept RCC’s Conditions of Financial Aid:** Date Completed: _____
Review important policies and conditions to access your Award Letter. Don’t forget to review RCC’s Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy for how to maintain eligibility.

✓ **Consider other funding options:** Date Completed: _____
Carefully consider each type of Financial Aid available to decide what is right for you.
Grants (federal and state via www.FAFSA.gov)
Scholarships (www.roguecc.edu/FinancialAid/scholarships.asp)
Student Employment
Loans

✓ **Follow Up:** Date Completed: _____
Keep address, phone, email, and enrollment information current with RCC at all times.
Ongoing



Financial Aid Checklist FAQ's (Frequently Asked Questions)

When and how do I submit a FAFSA?

- As soon on/after October 1. Some funding is limited to early applicants. BE SURE this is at least 6 weeks before you plan to enroll and start classes to allow for priority processing time.
- Use your legal name (per Social Security records), accurate SSN, and correct date of birth.
- Use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool as available.
- If you do not complete your application at least 6 weeks prior to your first term in the academic year, then you need to be prepared to buy your books (approx. \$100/course) and sign an installment plan at the start of the term (\$75 minimum down payment toward tuition and fees) or wait until the next term.

How do I get admitted?

Go to www.roguecc.edu/students/start.asp to complete the application process. A high school diploma or GED is generally required for aid eligibility.

How do I review my Student Aid Report (SAR) and make corrections, as necessary?

- After you submit a single FAFSA, the US Department of Education will process it and email you the results in the form of a SAR. Review and make corrections at www.fafsa.gov. Once awarded, if corrections are necessary, we recommend notifying Rogue Central as RCC may be able to make them for you, reducing the possibility of funding delays.
- RCC recommends that tax filers use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool, as available.

Why do I get emails from "myRogueTeam@roguecc.edu"?

- If you listed RCC as a school of choice on your FAFSA, then RCC will receive a copy of your SAR.
- If your FAFSA is selected for verification, RCC emails you instructions starting late Fall preceding the school year, to log into "myRogue," select financial aid status, then check to see what documents you must submit to complete your aid application.
- Submit ALL required documents to RCC, with appropriate signatures, via one of the following intake options:
 - DELIVER: Rogue Central Services on any campus FAX: 541-471-3585 or 541-245-7648 SCAN/EMAIL: rcs@roguecc.edu
 - HARD-COPY MAIL: RCC, Attn: Financial Aid Office, 3345 Redwood Hwy., Grants Pass, OR 97527
- If you submit a FAFSA and all required documents to complete your application by the term's published Financial Aid Priority Application Processing Deadline, our goal is to issue you an annual Award Letter or Eligibility Notification by the start of the term. This, along with signing a payment agreement by the payment deadline for any balance not covered by your awards will allow you the opportunity to avoid non-payment or late fees.

What happens after I submitted ALL information requested by RCC to complete my application?

- Submit ALL required documents by the term's Financial Aid Priority Deadline published in myRogue-Financial Aid Status, but no later than 120 days after eligibly enrolled, not to exceed Sept. 1st after the school year. Only once this is done, can RCC review your application and issue an award on a first-come-first-served basis.
- One month prior to each term, complete application files of enrolled students will be prioritized, as we are able.
- If you provide incomplete or conflicting information, we will require additional documentation/clarification before awarding you financial aid.

What does "Review and Accept RCC's Conditions of Financial Aid" mean?

- When you log into www.roguecc.edu/myrogue and check what has been awarded, it will ask you to read and accept the Terms and Conditions of Financial Aid at RCC for that year. Read it carefully then check that you understand.
- Federal regulations require financial aid recipients to make Satisfactory Academic Progress to maintain access to funding. RCC's SAP Policy Brochure is provided as a link in the Conditions page.

What should I do after I get my award and start classes?

- Be sure you are in the right courses by Wednesday of the second week (Drop Deadline), as RCC will adjust your financial aid to match your eligible enrollment at that time (or prior to payment, whichever is later). Aid cannot be adjusted after eligibly paid.
- Enroll in courses you need, attend (participation beyond orientation) each course, and do well academically.

What is a financial aid refund and when do I get the money?

- Any aid left on your RCC account after tuition, fees, and authorized non-institutional charges are paid, will be refunded to you via your Bank-Mobile preference. The term's initial refund occurs on the second Friday of the term and weekly during the term.
- It is to be used toward your cost of living expenses while in school.

Besides federal and state need-based grants, what other funding options do I have for school?

Scholarships: Apply at www.rccfoundation.org and www.oregonstudentaid.gov. More info at www.roguecc.edu/FinancialAid/scholarship/.

Student Employment: Apply for a part-time, on-campus job at <http://employment.roguecc.edu/>, Student Employment.

Student Loans: If awarded aid is not enough, RCC offers student loans. Once you have an Award Letter or Eligibility Notification, as early as the second week of June, you may apply at www.roguecc.edu/FinancialAid/FDL/apply1.asp. Loans must be repaid, so exhaust other options first.

RCC is an open institution and does not discriminate. For RCC's non-discrimination policy and a full list of regulatory specific contact persons visit the following webpage: www.roguecc.edu/nondiscrimination.