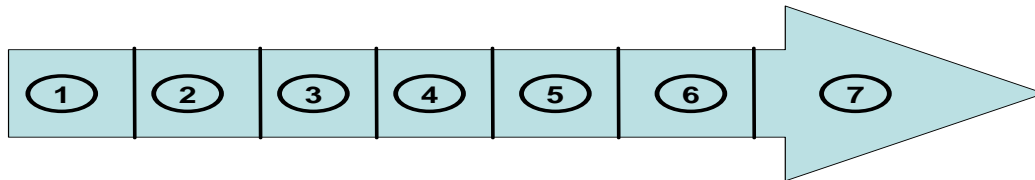


Steps to Bethel College Financial Aid



Step 1

Go and review the information provided by the U.S. Department of Education at www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov or phone 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243). This information is for applying for federal, state student grants, work-study, and loans.

Step 2

Get a Federal Student Aid PIN (a personal identification number). A PIN lets you apply, “sign” your online Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), make corrections to your application information, and more- so keep it safe. Go to www.pin.ed.gov.

Step 3

You will need to collect your income tax returns, W-2 forms, and any other records of income. A full list of what you need is at www.fafsa.ed.gov. If your tax return is not completed at the time you apply estimate the tax information and correct the information later.

Step 4

Complete the FAFSA application. The fastest and easiest way is to apply online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. If you don't already have your PIN, you can get it when complete the online FAFSA. (You will need the Bethel College School Code **041538** as you complete the application.)

Step 5

After completing and submitting your FAFSA the Department of Education (ED) will review your application and provide a decision in about 3 to 5 days. ED will send you your Student Aid Report (SAR) which is the results of your FAFSA.

Review your SAR and, if necessary, make changes or corrections and submit your SAR for reprocessing. Your complete, correct SAR will contain your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) - the number used to determine your federal student aid eligibility.

Step 6

Bethel College does have some limited school financial aid. If you want to apply for this additional financial assistance, complete the application found at Student Forms link on the Bethel College Website: www.bethel-college.com

If you have not completed, your application process, contact Bethel College (757) 826-1883 ext. 245 to complete this admission process.

Step 7

Review the following web information for additional assistance on financial aid.

Loan Counseling

Students and Counselors

<http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>

<http://www.college.gov>

<http://www.studentaid.ed.gov>

<http://www.aie.org>

<http://www.appscollegeboard.com/student/pay/index.html>

How much will it cost?

<http://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cool/>

<http://www.dlssonline.com/tools/search.asp> (for Direct Loan Borrowers)

How will I pay for it?

http://studentaid.ed.gov/students/publications/student_guide/index.html

Will I make enough money in my chosen occupation to repay student loans I receive?

<http://www.bls.gov/search/ooh.asp?ct=OOH>

<http://data.bls.gov/PDQ/outside.jsp?survey=nc>

Repaying Your Student Loans

http://www.studentaid.ed.gov/students/publications/repaying_loans/index.html

Ombudsman Office

<http://www.ombudsman.ed.gov>

Jump Start Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy

<http://www.jumpstart.org>

Bethel College General Fund Scholarship Policy

Bethel College exists to provide exemplary postsecondary education from a biblical perspective in order to prepare students spiritually, practically, and academically for professional and lay ministry. Bethel College believes that no student who wishes to attend the college should be denied the opportunity because of limited financial resources. The Director of Financial Aid is available to counsel with you and your family regarding financial planning.

Bethel College may have some scholarship funds available for students who demonstrate financial need. To be considered for Bethel College scholarships, you must complete the application found at Student Forms link on the Bethel College Website: www.bethel-college.com and turn in to the registrar's office. Scholarships are granted on a semester basis and your need is re-evaluated each semester. The Financial Aid Committee will review each student's application for scholarship based on such criteria:

- Financial need
- A gifted student with intention to go in the ministry
- A student maintains GPA above 3.0

Bethel College Federal Financial Aid Policy

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

This form provides the Federal Processing Center with household, income, and asset information used to determine the expected family contribution and Federal Pell Grant eligibility for each applicant. The FAFSA is required for federal and state financial assistance. Students and parents must apply for a Personal Identification Number (PIN) which can be done on the FAFSA website. If you do not have Internet access, you may visit the Bethel College Library or any other public library.

Parent information is required unless the student is one of the following: 24 years of age, veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces or on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces for purposes other than training, working on a master's or doctorate program, married, both parents deceased, dependent of the court, has children who receive more than half of their support from the student, has legal dependents other than children or a spouse, has been an emancipated minor by a court in their state, or has been determined to be an unaccompanied youth who is homeless. Also, Federal Tax Return(s) and/or other financial documents are needed to complete the FAFSA.

Bethel College Financial Aid School Code is **041538**. The Financial Aid Office will receive your results electronically if the school code is listed.

Students applying for federal, state financial assistance for the 2009-2010 academic year are required to complete the 2009-2010 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Students applying for federal, state financial assistance for the 2010-2011 academic year are required to complete the 2010-2011 FAFSA online at www.fafsa.edu.gov.

- [COMPLETE FAFSA ONLINE](#)

General Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for financial assistance, you must:

- be enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a regular student working toward a degree with a minimum of 9 credits for fall and spring semester and a minimum of 6 semester hours for the summer
- have a high school diploma, GED, or have been home-schooled and meet Bethel College requirements for entry
- not be enrolled in elementary or secondary school
- make satisfactory academic progress
- meet enrollment status requirements
- have resolved any drug/alcohol or conviction issue
- must not be in default of a federal student loan or owe an overpayment of a federal student grant

Deadlines for Submission of Applications

The 2010-2011 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) should be submitted to the Federal Processing Center by May 1, 2010 for the Fall 2010 term for priority consideration and by November 1, 2010, for the Spring 2011 term. The priority deadline for Summer 2010 is May 1, 2010. If you submit your FAFSA after the priority deadlines, it will process in the order received.

Renewal Information

Financial assistance is not automatically renewed each year. Recipients must apply each year. Most students are automatically sent a renewal reminder by e-mail if they provided an e-mail address or by regular mail if they did not. Students can reapply using Renewal FAFSA on the Web.