

Financial Aid Application Timeline

Although Chattahoochee Technical College does not utilize strict Financial Aid application deadlines, students are strongly encouraged to follow FAFSA Priority Deadlines to ensure timely processing and disbursement of aid. The **recommended** FAFSA Priority Deadlines are as follows:

- Fall Semester – July 1st, 2025
- Spring Semester – November 1st, 2025
- Summer Semester – April 1st, 2026

Overview:

Chattahoochee Technical College does not utilize institutional deadlines for financial aid applications. Students may submit the [FAFSA](#) (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) or the [GSFAPP](#) (Georgia Student Finance Application) at any point during the academic year. However, all applications must meet federal and state regulatory deadlines to be eligible for funding. Submitting the FAFSA by the **recommended** priority dates helps ensure your financial aid is processed and authorized prior to the priority payment deadlines, allowing time to address any verification requirements or additional documentation that may be needed.

Federal and State Deadlines:

- Federal Deadline ([FAFSA](#)): June 30th at the end of the academic year. Students must also have successfully completed the applicable semester to receive retroactive aid and be in an eligible program of study.
- State Deadline ([GSFAPP](#)): The last day of the semester for which aid is requested, or the last day of attendance if the student withdraws prior to term end.

Funding Eligibility:

Financial aid is awarded based on regulatory eligibility, not based on when a student applies. However, to ensure aid is authorized in time to meet institutional [payment deadlines](#), early submission is strongly recommended.

Payment Deadlines & Class Purge Policy:

Chattahoochee Technical College enforces [payment deadlines](#) each semester. Financial aid, scholarships, VA benefits, military tuition assistance, payment plans, or other payment sources must fully cover the student's account balance by these deadlines. Unpaid balances by the deadline will result in the student's class schedule being purged. Students may re-register after the early or regular purge, pending class availability.

Sample Financial Aid Timeline for Students:

1. Apply for Aid: Submit the [FAFSA](#) or [GSFAPP](#) at the same time as applying for admission. Chattahoochee Tech's FAFSA School Code is 005620.
2. Application Processing:
 - FAFSA: Received by the college 3–5 business days after Federal Student Aid approval.
 - GSFAPP: Received after semester course registration.
3. [Financial & Identity Verification](#) (if selected):
 - Complete via [Inceptia](#). Processed within 10 business days of submitting all documents.
 - Additional 5 days may be required for correction processing.
 - Statement of Educational Purpose (Identity Verification) must be submitted in person or with notary certification to Chatt Tech Financial Aid Office.
4. Additional Documentation:
 - Submit any requested additional non-verification documents promptly via the [Financial Aid Secure Document Portal](#) to avoid delays.
5. Award Authorization: Once verification and documentation are complete, aid is authorized on the student's account. Students can view authorized aid via their [me@Chatt Tech Student Portal](#) > Account Summary.
6. [Veteran Education Benefits](#):
 - Submit Certificate of Eligibility (CoE) via the [secure portal](#).
 - Chapter 31 and 33: Course schedules are held through purge deadlines.
 - Other VA chapters: Students must secure payment via other [arrangements](#).
7. [Military Tuition Assistance](#) (TA):
 - Submit TA Authorization to the [Office of Student Accounts](#) after enrolling.
 - Once received, schedules are held and Chattahoochee Tech Student Accounts invoices the military directly for tuition only. Student fees are not covered by TA.

Late Applications and Refunds:

Students who complete the [FAFSA](#) or [GSFAPP](#) after the semester starts—but still by the federal or state deadlines—may receive aid retroactively, provided they are otherwise eligible. If financial aid is awarded after other payment is made, a [refund](#) may be issued for any overpayment.

Resources:

[Financial Aid Counselors](#)

[FAFSA Workshops](#)