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SMCC Financial Aid Basic Eligibility Criteria

To receive most types of federal and state aid at Southern Maine Community College, you must:

- Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) annually as soon as possible after October 1;
- Demonstrate financial need (for most programs);
- Be a U.S. citizen or an eligible noncitizen;
- Have a valid Social Security number (with the exception of students from the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, or the Republic of Palau);
- Be enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a regular student in an eligible degree or certificate program;
- Be enrolled at least half-time to be borrow a Federal Direct Loan;
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress;
- Sign the certification statement on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form stating that you're not in default on a federal student loan, you do not owe money on a federal student grant, and you'll only use federal student aid for educational purposes;
- Not be in default on a federal student loan and not owe money on a federal student grant;
- Provide proof of high school completion, or a General Education Development (GED) certificate, or completed homeschooling at the secondary level;
- Students with criminal convictions have limited eligibility for federal student aid. For more details, visit StudentAid.gov.