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## INFORMATION FOR EDWARDS CAMPUS STUDENTS

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AS A SERVICE TO STUDENTS WHO MAY NOT HAVE CLASSES ON THE LAWRENCE CAMPUS, YOU MAY CONTACT THE OSFA AT (913) 897-5652, EXT. 4700 IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SET UP A PHONE APPOINTMENT WITH A FINANCIAL AID COUNSELOR.

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### WHAT TYPES OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID ARE AVAILABLE FOR EDWARDS CAMPUS STUDENTS?

All degree seeking students may apply for Title IV federal financial aid by submitting a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Undergraduate students may qualify for Federal Pell Grant, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, Kansas Comprehensive Grant, KU Tuition Grant, Federal Work-Study, and/or loans, such as Federal Perkins, Subsidized, Unsubsidized, and/or Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students (PLUS). Graduate students may qualify for the KU Tuition Grant, Federal Work-Study, and/or loans, such as Federal Perkins, Subsidized, Unsubsidized, and/or Graduate PLUS. For additional information, please review the *Financial Aid Programs at a Glance* available at [www.financialaid.ku.edu/publications.shtml](http://www.financialaid.ku.edu/publications.shtml) (*Year-Specific Info Sheets*).

### HOW DO I QUALIFY FOR THESE PROGRAMS?

File your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) to be considered for federal, state, and some institutional financial aid programs. File by **March 1<sup>st</sup>** to be considered for limited funded programs, such as the KU Tuition Grant. You can still qualify for several financial aid programs if you file after March 1<sup>st</sup>, but the OSFA recommends you file as early as possible to potentially increase your financial aid options.

### ARE THERE ANY FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS AVAILABLE EXCLUSIVELY FOR KU EDWARDS CAMPUS STUDENTS?

Yes. The KU Edwards Campus Tuition Grant (KUECTG) is a limited funded need-based grant available only to undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in an Edwards Campus degree-seeking program. You must file the FAFSA by the March 1<sup>st</sup> KU priority date in order to be considered for this grant. You must also be enrolled in at least 6 hours of coursework at the Edwards Campus and not have your tuition paid by a third party.

### WHAT IS MY COST OF ATTENDANCE AND HOW IS IT CALCULATED?

Your estimated Cost of Attendance (COA), also known as a budget, is a standardized estimate of what it will cost you to attend the KU Edwards Campus for the academic year. Your total expenses for the academic year will depend on your major field of study, living accommodations, and lifestyle. Modest estimated budgets used by the OSFA include tuition, fees, room, board, books/supplies, transportation, and personal expenses. For more information about your COA, please visit [www.financialaid.ku.edu](http://www.financialaid.ku.edu). You cannot receive financial aid in excess of your Cost of Attendance. If you are assessed additional fees based on your enrollment, you may contact the OSFA for consideration of a COA adjustment. If approved, your COA will be adjusted and your aid eligibility recalculated based on your written request. However, this does not necessarily mean you will be eligible for additional financial aid.

### IF MY CURRENT FINANCIAL SITUATION IS NOT ACCURATELY REFLECTED ON THE FAFSA, IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN DO TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ADDITIONAL AID?

You may request a Special Circumstances Re-Evaluation of your financial aid file if you (or your parents if you are a dependent student) have experienced extenuating circumstances, such as job loss, reduced wages, increased medical expenses, etc. You may also request an increase in your cost of attendance for childcare expenses. The *Special Circumstances Re-Evaluation Request* form and *Childcare Budget Adjustment Request* form are available in the OSFA or on our website at [www.financialaid.ku.edu/publications.shtml](http://www.financialaid.ku.edu/publications.shtml) (*Year-Specific Forms*).

### HOW DOES MY ENROLLMENT STATUS AFFECT MY FINANCIAL AID?

Your enrollment determines your eligibility for financial aid **and** impacts your estimated cost of attendance. Financial aid is awarded based on the expectation that you will be enrolled in at least 12 hours as an undergraduate student or 9 hours as a graduate/professional/law student. If you plan to maintain an enrollment of less than 12 hours as an undergraduate student or less than 9 hours as a graduate/professional/law student, you may still qualify for some financial aid programs, but you must complete or update your enrollment status in *Enroll & Pay* at <https://sa.ku.edu> (*Student Center>Accept/Decline Awards>Award Package Page 2*). Once you have updated your enrollment status, your financial aid may be adjusted. This adjustment could result in a cancellation or reduction of certain financial aid programs. For more information about the minimum number of hours required for particular programs, visit [www.financialaid.ku.edu/programs.shtml](http://www.financialaid.ku.edu/programs.shtml).

## HOW MANY HOURS DO I NEED TO BE ENROLLED IN TO DEFER MY LOANS?

In general, you may defer your loans if you are enrolled in at least 6 credit hours, but policies may differ by lender and type of loan. Contact your lender(s) for the specific criteria required to defer your loan(s). Be sure to request the appropriate paperwork from your lender and contact the KU Office of the Registrar if your lender requests a certification of your enrollment status.

## HOW IS FINANCIAL AID DISBURSED AND WHAT IF MY PROJECTED FINANCIAL AID EXCEEDS MY AMOUNT DUE?

Financial aid awards will typically be applied to your student account each semester about one week prior to the first day of classes, provided you have a complete financial aid file. Generally, funds are issued in two disbursements, once in the fall semester and once in the spring semester. Financial aid will automatically apply toward current tuition, required fees, and on-campus housing charges (if applicable).

If your financial aid exceeds the amount due on your eBill, you will have a credit balance on your account and will receive a financial aid refund from the Bursar's Office. Excess financial aid refunds are typically available six business days after your financial aid file becomes complete. The first day to obtain excess financial aid for a particular semester is typically one or two days before the first day of classes.

The fastest way to receive your excess financial aid refund is to elect to have your excess funds directly deposited into your checking or savings account. To set up direct deposit, complete the Direct Deposit Authorization online in Enroll & Pay (*Student Center > Set Up Direct Deposit*). If you have not elected to have your excess financial aid deposited directly into your bank account, your refund will be mailed to your billing address.

## AM I ALLOWED TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL AID FROM MORE THAN ONE INSTITUTION AT THE SAME TIME?

No. Please contact the OSFA to schedule an appointment with a Financial Aid Counselor if you are interested in receiving financial aid from KU for classes that you plan to take at another institution.

## I HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED MY FIRST BACHELOR'S DEGREE AND I AM TAKING CLASSES TOWARD A SECOND BACHELOR'S DEGREE. CAN I RECEIVE FINANCIAL AID?

You may be eligible for financial aid. However, some aid programs are only available to students seeking their first bachelor's degree. Please review the *Financial Aid Programs at a Glance* information sheet available on our website at [www.financialaid.ku.edu/publications.shtml](http://www.financialaid.ku.edu/publications.shtml) (*Year-specific Info Sheets*). In addition, please review [www.financialaid.ku.edu/pdf/sap.pdf](http://www.financialaid.ku.edu/pdf/sap.pdf) for information on Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) criteria that must be met to remain eligible for financial aid.

## HOW DO I RECEIVE SUMMER FINANCIAL AID?

To receive financial aid for the summer term, you must complete a *Summer Request for Financial Aid* form available at [www.financialaid.ku.edu](http://www.financialaid.ku.edu). Forms will be available beginning in mid-February each year. You must also have a complete financial aid file at KU.

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## METRO KC GRANT

### **LIVE IN MISSOURI. LEARN IN KANSAS.**

Missouri students who are formally admitted to Edwards Campus degree programs and who can document residency in one of four Kansas City Metro area Missouri counties (Cass, Clay, Jackson, and Platte) may receive MetroKC tuition rates. The MetroKC rate is different for graduate and undergraduate students.

In order to be eligible for the MetroKC tuition rate, a student must be:

- a degree-seeking student formally admitted to a KU Edwards Campus degree program, **AND**
- able to document residency in one of the four designated Missouri counties for at least 12 months prior to enrolling.

MetroKC rates will not be provided for enrollment in courses on the Lawrence or Medical Center campuses.

You can download the MetroKC application at:  
[http://edwardscampus.ku.edu/current/Metro\\_Grant\\_Form.pdf](http://edwardscampus.ku.edu/current/Metro_Grant_Form.pdf)