

M3 Student Checklist

Things to do before starting school in July 2025!

Apply for financial aid:

*May 1, 2025 priority consideration deadline

- Complete the 2025-2026 Free Application for Federal Student Aid on-line at studentaid.gov
- Complete and submit the [Financial Aid Request Form](#)

*If applying for need-based aid:

- Complete and submit the [CSS Profile](#)
 - For divorced/separated parents: submit the [Non Custodial Need-Based Aid Application](#)
- Submit copies of you and your parents 2023 Federal Tax Documents:
 - 1040 Tax Return
 - All Schedules
 - W2's
- Didn't file taxes? [Complete the Non-Filing statement](#)
 - Submit the [IRS Verification of Non-Filing](#)
 - Does your [parent need to file a non-filing form?](#)
- Monitor your financial aid eligibility requirements on GWeb for missing or incomplete items

Once you receive your financial aid offer:

***Complete this list at least three weeks before classes start**

- Accept, reduce or decline your offer on the student portal
- Budgeting July 2025 through June 2026
 - Step II Exam
 - Rotations
- Review your studentaid.gov documents online:
- Submit Master Promissory Note (MPN) and Entrance counseling for each type of loan (if not completed in prior years):
 - Unsubsidized Loan
 - Grad PLUS Loan

Final Steps:

If you have accepted more than the cost of tuition:

- Review your [direct deposit account](#) for cost of living refunds, through the eBill¹
- Review [online student authorizations](#) (done once per program) through the student portal²
- If you have your own health insurance, submit Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) waiver by deadline³
- If you have a requirement on your portal to submit the [Sibling Verification](#), please do so by October 1

¹ Student account eBill's are administered by the GW Student Accounts Office: sao@gwu.edu, or 202-994-7350

² Online Authorizations are administered by the GW Student Accounts Office

³ SHIP is administered through the GW Colonial Health Center, <https://healthcenter.gwu.edu/health-insurance>