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Instructions for Applying for Financial Aid

For citizens of the United States and Canada only. International students should refer to the instructions at the bottom of this page.

To apply for financial aid, complete the steps below. Be sure to meet all deadlines. Students who do not complete the application process in a timely manner may not be considered for all types of financial aid.

Date Completed

_____ Complete the **CSS PROFILE Application**.

- You must register and complete the PROFILE online at profileonline.collegeboard.com.
- Include Oberlin College (code I587) on your PROFILE registration.
- If tax returns are not yet available, complete the PROFILE with estimated income figures.
- Complete the PROFILE application before February 15.

_____ **If your parents are separated or divorced, your non-custodial parent must complete the Non-Custodial Parent Statement.**

- The Non-Custodial Parent Statement is required for determination of Oberlin College financial aid eligibility.
- The Non-Custodial Parent Statement is available on our web site, www.oberlin.edu/financialaid.
- Return the Non-Custodial Parent Statement by February 15.

_____ Complete the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**.

For citizens of the United States only.

- File the FAFSA online at www.fafsa.ed.gov or obtain a paper copy by calling 800.4FED-AID (433.3243)
- If tax returns are not yet available, complete the FAFSA with estimated income figures.
- List Oberlin College (Title IV code 003086) in the school section.
- Complete the FAFSA by March 1.

_____ **Send copies of both your and your parent(s)' federal tax returns**

- Include all W2 forms.
- Do not send state returns.
- Be sure all tax returns are signed.
- Send the tax returns on or before April 15.
- If either you or your parent(s) are not required to file a federal tax return, a non-filer statement must be completed. The statement is available on our web site, www.oberlin.edu/financialaid.

Early Review applicants should register for the CSS PROFILE as soon as possible so that results of the PROFILE can be used to estimate financial aid eligibility. If all forms have been completed on time, financial-aid awards for Early Review applicants are sent soon after notification of admission.

Applicants for spring semester will receive special financial aid application instructions after applying for admission.

All **international applicants** must submit the International Student Supplement (in this packet) and the Certification of Finances form. **International applicants who wish to be considered for financial aid** must also file the International Student Financial Aid Application. The Certification of Finances form, the International Student Financial Aid Application, and further information are available on our web site, www.oberlin.edu/admissions/college/finances/international.shtml

Notices of **financial aid eligibility** are sent near the end of March to students admitted for fall semester and after December 1 to those admitted for spring semester.

Oberlin College reserves the right to shred any and all nonrequired materials.

Please **mail or fax** documents, but do not do both.