

**FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION FOR THE  
CERTIFICATE ENTRY INTO NURSING (CEIN) PROGRAM**

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The CEIN/BS program at UConn is considered an accelerated pre-licensure program. Upon the successful completion of the program, students will be awarded a bachelor’s degree in nursing and are eligible to take the NCLEX (the RN license exam).

**Apply for Financial Aid:**

- Complete a 2024-2025 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) *before* the start of your first semester in January 2025 here: <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa> This application is used for financial aid offers for the spring 2025 and summer 2025 semesters.
- Complete a 2025-2026 FAFSA on or after October 1, 2024 - to apply for financial aid for the fall 2025 semester.
- When you complete the FAFSA, answer the following questions as follows:
  - *When the student begins the 2024–25 school year, what will their college grade level be?*  
[Other Undergraduate \(Junior Year and Beyond\)](#)
  - *When the student begins the 2024–25 school year, will they already have their first bachelor’s degree? Yes*
- Dependent students (as determined by the FAFSA) will be required to provide information regarding their parent’s income and assets.
- Eligible CEIN students are offered Federal Direct Student Loans as follows:

Semester	Dependent Student Federal Direct Loan	Independent Student Federal Direct Loan
Spring	\$3,750	\$6,250
Summer	\$3,750	\$6,250
Fall	\$4,688	\$7,813

**Aggregate Undergraduate Federal Direct Loan limits:**

Students must take into consideration that the federal government limits the total amount of Federal Direct Loan funding that can be borrowed at the undergraduate level.

- Independent Students can borrow up to **\$57,500** of which no more than **\$23,000** can be subsidized.
- Dependent students can borrow up to **\$31,000** of which no more than **\$23,000** can be subsidized.

**Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan and Private Alternative Loan Options:**

You may want to consider applying for one of the following loan options to cover your remaining cost of attendance:

- Independent or dependent students may wish to consider applying for a Private Alternative Loan.
- *Parents of dependent* students may wish to consider applying for a Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan.
- Please refer to the *Loans for Undergraduates* section of our website for additional information:  
<https://financialaid.uconn.edu/loans-for-undergraduates/>

**Note:** Students will need to apply for a Private Alternative Loan **each semester** (spring, summer, and fall). Parents will also need to apply for a Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan **each semester**. Refunds will be issued to eligible students during the first week of each semester.