

## FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION FOR UCONN'S APPROVED POST- BACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

The following certificate programs are eligible for federal financial aid (Title IV):

- Diagnostic Genetic Sciences Certificate (DGS)
- Pre-Medical and Health Professions (PREMD) – Elevate track (Plan B)
- Medical Laboratory Sciences Certificate (MLS)

### Apply for Financial Aid:

- To apply for federal loans for the fall 2026, spring 2027 and summer 2027 semesters, complete a **2026-27** Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>.
- To apply for financial aid for the fall 2027, spring 2028, and summer 2028 semesters, complete a **2027-28** FAFSA on or after October 1, 2026.
- Post-Baccalaureate students are **not** considered graduate students for financial aid purposes.

When you complete the 2026-27 FAFSA, answer the following questions as follows:

- *When the student begins the 2026-27 school year, what will their college grade level be?*  
**Other Undergraduate (Junior Year and Beyond)**
- *When the student begins the 2026-27 school year, will they already have their first bachelor's degree? Yes*

**Note:** Similar college grade level and degree status questions will likely be asked on the 2027-2028 FAFSA.

- Your answers to various questions on the FAFSA will determine your dependency status, and if contributor information (such as a parent or spouse) will be required. For more information go to: <https://studentaid.gov/apply-for-aid/fafsa/filling-out/dependency>
- Eligible **DGS** and **PREMD – Elevate track (Plan B)** students are offered Federal Direct Loans as follows:

Semester	Dependent Student Federal Direct Loan	Independent Student Federal Direct Loan
Fall/Spring	\$7,500	\$12,500

- Eligible **MLS** 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/Spring	\$7,500	\$12,500

### Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan and Private Alternative Education 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/>