



LAW STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES

FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION

2023-2024

Student Information

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI	SIS STUDENT ID	DATE OF BIRTH
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Case Western Reserve University believes that the primary responsibility for financing a legal education rests with the student and the family. Financial aid from the University should be viewed as supplemental to the efforts of the family. The University attempts to offer the types and amounts of assistance to meet the particular circumstances of each recipient. Students must be enrolled on at least a half-time (five [5] credits per semester), degree-seeking basis to be eligible for any federal assistance. Students admitted on a provisional basis may or may not be eligible for reduced levels of federal loans and should contact the Office of University Financial Aid for additional information. Students must maintain satisfactory academic progress to receive financial aid. New students must be accepted for admission before financial aid is awarded. All financial assistance is awarded for one academic year only; a new application and a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) must be submitted each year.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

To apply for financial assistance at Case Western Reserve University, all Law students must:

1. Submit this Financial Aid Application
2. Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at www.fafsa.gov

(1) I am applying for (check all that apply):

- ☐ Aid for summer session 2023
- ☐ Aid for fall semester 2023 only (August - December, 2023)
- ☐ Aid for spring semester 2024 only (January - May, 2024)
- ☐ Aid for 2023-2024 academic year (August, 2023 - May, 2024)

CONTACT/PERSONAL INFORMATION

(2) PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
(3) EMAIL ADDRESS	(4) TELEPHONE NUMBER(S)		
	CELL:	HOME:	
(5) GENDER (optional): <input type="radio"/> Male <input type="radio"/> Female	(6) PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY)	PLACE OF BIRTH (STATE/COUNTRY)	
(7) ARE YOU A UNITED STATES CITIZEN: <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	(8) CITIZEN OF WHAT STATE WHEN YOU FIRST ENROLLED AT CWRU: STATE: _____ YEARS IN STATE: _____		
(9) ARE YOU A PERMANENT RESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES: <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	(10) CITIZEN OF WHAT STATE NOW: STATE: _____ YEARS IN STATE: _____		
IF YES: Please attach a copy of your Alien Registration Card with application	ALIEN REGISTRATION NUMBER: _____		

ACADEMIC INFORMATION			
(11) ENROLLMENT STATUS: <input type="radio"/> Graduate/Professional <input type="radio"/> Readmit <input type="radio"/> Other: _____	(12) ENROLLED IN: <input type="radio"/> Law (JD) <input type="radio"/> Law Masters (LLM) <input type="radio"/> Dual Degree: _____ <input type="radio"/> Other: _____	(13) MAJOR FIELD OF STUDY FOR 2023-2024:	(14) WILL YOU HAVE A BACHELOR'S DEGREE PRIOR TO JULY 1, 2023? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
(15) HAVE YOU RECEIVED FINANCIAL AID FROM CWRU IN THE PAST? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	(16) COLLEGE CREDITS EXPECTED TO CARRY AT CWRU: Summer 2023: _____ Fall 2023: _____ Spring 2024: _____	(17) WHAT WILL YOUR CLASS STANDING BE IN AUGUST, 2023? <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <input type="radio"/> First Year (07) <input type="radio"/> Second Year (08) <input type="radio"/> Third Year (09) <input type="radio"/> Fourth Year (10) </div> <div> <input type="radio"/> Post-Grad (11) <input type="radio"/> Other: _____ </div> </div>	

HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION
<p>Self-supporting (independent) students should complete this table with information about the people you/your spouse will support between July 1, 2023 and June 30, 2024. Include yourself, your spouse and dependent children (if applicable). Other people can be included if they reside with you, receive more than one-half of their support from you and will continue to live with and receive this support from you through June 30, 2024.</p> <p>Summarize your family information here:</p> <p>(18) How many people are in your household? This number should match the table below. _____</p> <p>(19) Number of eligible family members* in college (including yourself) in 2023-2024? _____</p> <p>*Eligible family members are those family members who are enrolled on at least a half-time basis in a degree-seeking program from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 and are either your spouse or your dependent children.</p>

List of Household Members

Name	Age	Relationship to Student	Name of College in 2023-2024	Year in College	Claimed on Tax Return?
YOU, the student		Self	Case Western Reserve		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
					<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
					<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
					<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
					<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

(20) Your marital status on the date you filed the FAFSA: ☐ Single ☐ Married ☐ Widowed

☐ Separated ☐ Divorced Date of Divorce/Separation: _____

FINANCIAL INFORMATION	
<p>(21) During the 2023-2024 academic year, I expect to receive:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <input type="radio"/> Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation (attach documentation): <input type="radio"/> Other: _____ <input type="radio"/> Loan / Gift from Parents, Relatives, or Friends: Please specify: _____ </div> <div> Amount / Month: \$ _____ Amount / Month: \$ _____ Amount / Year: \$ _____ Amount / Year: \$ _____ Amount / Year: \$ _____ </div> </div>	

(22) During the 2023-2024 academic year, I received/applied for/will apply for OTHER financial assistance from sources OTHER than CWRU:

Name: _____ Amt \$ _____
☐ Awarded ☐ Rejected ☐ Pending

Name: _____ Amt \$ _____
☐ Awarded ☐ Rejected ☐ Pending

Name: _____ Amt \$ _____
☐ Awarded ☐ Rejected ☐ Pending

Name: _____ Amt \$ _____
☐ Awarded ☐ Rejected ☐ Pending

(23) During the 2023-2024 academic year, I will receive tuition benefits or reimbursements as a result of a relative's or my employment: Name of Employee: _____

Name of Company: _____ Department: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____ Starting date of employment: _____

Amount of benefit or reimbursement: Summer: \$ _____ Fall: \$ _____ Spring \$ _____

ALL STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING SECTION

(24) Permission to release financial information:

I grant permission to the Office of University Financial Aid to release my name and/or financial information to a source outside the University if I am being considered for a financial aid award, scholarship or loan from that source.

☐ Yes ☐ No

If I receive financial assistance from an outside donor, I authorize the Office of University Financial Aid to release my grades to that donor if requested.

☐ Yes ☐ No

I grant permission to the Office of University Financial Aid to discuss/disclose information on my financial aid application, disbursement of funds, income data and any other information included in any financial aid document for the purpose of counseling with the following person(s) in the course of in-person, telephone or electronic inquiries made concerning my financial aid or student tuition account:

☐ _____
Spouse

☐ _____
Parent/Step-parent

☐ _____
Other (specify relationship)

☐ _____
Parent/Step-parent

I certify that the information provided in this form is true and correct.

Student Signature

Date

PERSONAL QUESTIONNAIRE (OPTIONAL)

Ethnic Background: _____
(e.g. Ukranian, Korean, Chinese, Polynesian, Filipino, Polish, Turkish)

Religious Affiliation: _____

RETURN THIS FORM TO:
Law Student Financial Services
Case Western Reserve University
11075 East Boulevard
Cleveland, OH 44106-7148
fax: 216-368-0185

**CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF LAW**

NEED-BASED FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

All students wishing to apply for need-based financial aid (loans) as new law students at CWRU for the 2023-2024 academic year must submit the following forms:

- 1) 2023-2024 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
- 2) 2023-2024 CWRU Financial Aid Application Form

***Form #3 is required only if selected for verification from the FAFSA**

- 3) Copy of your 2021 Federal Tax return with all schedules and W-2 forms.

Please do not submit your tax return and w-2 unless notified to do so by the law school Student Financial Services Office.

The Student Financial Services Office will contact you, if you are selected for verification

The remainder of this sheet will provide specific information on each of these forms. Each form also contains its own instructions. Please read all instructions carefully before completing the forms.

FORM #1: 2023 - 2024 FAFSA (FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID)

All students applying for the need-based loan program must also complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and have the data sent directly to CWRU-Law. Our Federal School Code for the FAFSA is 003137. The FAFSA data must come to us directly from the FAFSA processor. We do not accept paper copies of the Student Aid Reports for financial aid applications, nor will we process electronic corrections/updates on behalf of a student. If you need to complete a FAFSA, make a correction or update to your FAFSA record, or learn more about the FAFSA, you may do so at this Web site: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>

FORM #2: CWRU FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION

Review the instructions on the first page of this three-page form. You will note that all graduate/professional students are considered Independent. Since you will be entering law school in the fall, this means that you are considered independent for financial aid purposes at CWRU. **Therefore, you do not need to provide any information on your parents' income and assets.**

Complete the Student Information section. If you do not have your SIS Student ID when completing the form, the Student Financial Services Office will complete it for you.

Your SIS ID # (Student ID Number) will be emailed to you. Admitted students will be provided their student ID numbers in the upcoming months.

Q. #1 asks which semesters you are applying for financial aid. Check the appropriate box. **NEW J.D. STUDENTS:** You should check the box indicating "Aid for 2023-2024 academic year". Since your application for admission is for Fall 2023, you are not eligible to enroll at CWRU for the Summer 2023 session, and therefore you may not apply for summer session aid.

Complete the "Personal Information" section, Questions 2 - 10.

Answer Questions 11 - 17 based upon your plans for the 2023 - 2024 academic year.

Q. 11 - Check "Grad/Professional"

Q. 12 - Check "Law" or the appropriate program you will be enrolled in. If you are entering a dual degree program, check the box for joint degree, and write in the name of the dual degree (i.e. - JD/MBA).

Q. 13 - Answer will be "LAW" for major field of study. The expected graduation date is the date you expect to be graduated from law school. For **NEW J.D. STUDENTS**, this will be "5/2026". Other students should list their applicable graduation date.

Q. 16 - Answer based upon your planned number of hours of enrollment. **NEW J.D. STUDENTS:** If you plan to enroll full-time, enter 12 hours for the fall and 12 hours for the spring semester.

Q. 17 - **NEW J.D. STUDENTS** should check "First year (07)". **LL.M. STUDENTS** should check "Post Grad (11)". **Transfer students** should check the appropriate year of course work.

Complete the "Household Information" and Financial Information" (Question # 18-20) and the Financial Information (Questions # 21-23) sections. If the answer to a question is zero or not applicable, indicate such with a "0" or "None".

Q. 22. This asks about aid that you may receive from sources OTHER than CWRU. Do not list Federal Direct loans or any other federal or private loan programs.

Do not list CWRU Merit or Academic Scholarships here that you were awarded upon admission to the law school.

All students must read, understand, answer the questions and sign the Permission to release information (Q. 24)

You may voluntarily choose to complete the "Personal Questionnaire" section. This information is used to inform students of financial aid opportunities, which are made available to students of certain backgrounds or with certain interests. This information is not released to any outside parties.

***FORM #3: COPY OF YOUR 2021 FEDERAL (IRS) TAX RETURN-NOT NEEDED**

*Only those students who are selected for verification through FAFSA currently must submit a photocopy of your (and your spouse's) 2021 federal (IRS) tax return, including all schedules. You must also submit photocopies of all W-2 forms that were submitted with IRS tax return. BE SURE THAT THE COPY CONTAINS YOUR (AND YOUR SPOUSE'S) SIGNATURE. The Law School Student Financial Services Office will notify you if your tax return is required.

COMMUNICATING WITH CWRU REGARDING YOUR FINANCIAL AID

The **Law Student Financial Services Office** is based within the School of Law. This office serves as a liaison between all law students and the centralized University Financial Aid Office. Ms. Tonya Phillips, our Director of Student Financial Services, is able to answer most questions about financial aid policies and procedures, application status, and questions about billing procedures.

If you have questions about procedures and forms, it is recommended that you contact the Student Financial Services Office. Calling us first will allow us to deliver the most accurate and efficient service and response.

You may call the office at **216-368-3602 or (toll free) 1-877-889-4279**, between the hours of 9:00 A.M. through 5:00 P.M., Eastern Time, weekdays. If a staff member is not immediately able to take your call, please leave your name, telephone number, and time when you can be reached. Be assured that every effort will be made to get back to you as soon as possible.

If you have access to electronic mail, you may send electronic mail to Internet address:

lawmoney@case.edu

Electronic mail will be answered and responses returned to you within two workdays.