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## Financial Aid

The [School of Medicine's Office of Financial Aid](#) is your best resource for your financial aid questions. The office's financial aid advisors are exceptional, and they will provide the highest level of service while they work with you to make a Case Western Reserve University education as affordable as possible. <https://case.edu/medicine/students/financial-aid>

The office is located in Samson Pavilion Room 0111 on the Health Education campus. The Office of Financial Aid can be reached by phone at 216.368.3666 or by email at [medfinancialaid@case.edu](mailto:medfinancialaid@case.edu).

Financial aid will be disbursed based upon the cost of attendance for each semester in the academic year. A student's financial aid eligibility is determined for the academic year from Summer Semester through Spring Semester. The School of Medicine's Office of Financial Aid will send information about disbursement amounts once awards have been determined, and students will receive access to a personalized financial aid portal where they can review and accept their assistance.

Financial aid is disbursed by semester. The summer disbursement is in early July, the fall in late August, and the spring in January. Funds are disbursed beginning the first day of the regular university semester for those who have completed all required steps in the loan application process.

## FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

We recommend that all students complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA, application as soon as possible. To be eligible to receive federal student aid, you must be a citizen or eligible noncitizen of the United States, you must have a valid Social Security Number, and you must meet other basic criteria. Students can review the U.S. Department of Education's eligibility criteria [here](https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/eligibility/basic-criteria). <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/eligibility/basic-criteria>.

Students will also need a Federal Student Aid ID to complete the process. If a student does not have a FSA ID, one can be obtained here. <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>.

The 2022-2023 FAFSA asks for a student's tax return information for calendar year 2020 and is available for completion as of October 1, 2021.

## Key Details for the Application

The CWRU MSA Program Code for FAFSA is E00079.

Case Western Reserve University's financial aid application requires that students enter the number of credit hours they will be enrolled in by semester.

For your first year, the credit hours are:

- Summer: 9
- Fall: 16
- Spring: 17

For your second year, the credit hours are:

- Summer: 6
- Fall: 11
- Spring: 11

## Refund Advance

The School of Medicine's Office of Financial Aid may advance students up to \$2,000 on their pending loan disbursements prior to the start of the semester. The student must have accepted the offered aid in an amount that exceeds the direct charges for the semester, have completed all required loan documents, and received approval for credit-based loans. The School of Medicine's refund/cash advance policies can be found [here. https://case.edu/medicine/students/financial-aid/policies-disclosures/refundcash-advance-policies](https://case.edu/medicine/students/financial-aid/policies-disclosures/refundcash-advance-policies). For the Summer semester, the Office of Financial Aid can process refund advances beginning in June. Student will be notified via email when refund advances are available for request by the School of Medicine's Office of Financial Aid.

## Additional Benefits

CWRU MSA students receive memberships to the American Academy of Anesthesiologist Assistants, state chapters, and the American Society of Anesthesiologists. These memberships are considered a vital component of the CWRU MSA Program experience, and are unique to CWRU. Student participation in these organizations provides access to key networks and leadership roles in which students can develop a sense of their role in advocacy, patient care, and anesthesia practice.

There are three mandatory program expenses that are covered by a student's financial aid award. These expenses include the purchase of a laptop during the student's first year, the cost to attend the AAAA conference in the spring of the first and second year, and the cost of the certifying exam in the fall of the second year.