Eligibility Requirements
To receive financial aid students must meet the following requirements:

- Be a United States citizen or an eligible non-citizen or qualify under the Washington Dream Act
- Be working toward a financial aid eligible degree or certificate
- Be making satisfactory academic progress
- Have a high school diploma, GED or meet other education requirements
- Be registered with Selective Service (Male students 18 and over)
- Submit a FAFSA or WASFA application and have financial need as determined by the Financial Aid Office
- Not owe a repayment on a grant or be in default on a federal educational loan.

The Financial Aid Office and students must follow regulations set by the Federal and Washington State governments. The college also follows strict guidelines in awarding financial aid. Aid will not be awarded until all required forms are accurately completed and received. Any conflicting information on your application must be resolved before aid will be awarded. Applying for aid usually takes two to three months to complete and in some cases it may take longer. Please plan ahead.

If additional information is required, an email will be sent to the email address listed on your FAFSA from FinancialSouth@seattlecolleges.edu

Steps To Complete Financial Aid Process

It is recommended that you wait to complete the FAFSA or WASFA until you and your parents (if required) have filed your 2014 federal income tax return. Your application must be signed using your PIN. You can request a PIN by logging on to www.pin.ed.gov. You should keep a copy of the FAFSA, WASFA and all documents used to complete your application.

Your name listed on your FAFSA or WASFA must exactly match your name on your Social Security Card.

The Student Aid Report (SAR) is an electronic report of your filed FAFSA usually available approximately 3-5 days after you apply electronically. Once you submit a WASFA you must print out the submitted application. Review the entire SAR or submitted WASFA for accuracy. If corrections are required, you will need to return to website with your password and PIN to access your information and make corrections.

2. Print out and review your SAR or submitted WASFA application. If you have questions about the comments on the document, please come to the Financial Aid Office for clarification.

3. Complete the Financial Aid Data Sheet and any other required form(s), and return them to the Financial Aid Office along with your printed SAR or printed submitted WASFA.

4. If the SAR indicates that you have been selected for verification, you must complete the appropriate Verification Worksheet and provide the required documentation to the Financial Aid Office. If a Tax Return Transcript is required, it is available online at www.irs.gov or by calling the IRS at 1-(800)-829-1040.

5. You must submit an Official Transcript Evaluation for your declared major or submit an Incoming Transcript Evaluation along with official transcripts in their sealed envelopes, for all colleges previously attended, to the Financial Aid Office (except for SVI, Seattle Central and North Seattle Colleges).

It is the student’s responsibility to turn in a copy of the Official Transcript Evaluation to the Financial Aid Office.

Additional documents may be required, such as a copy of your social security card, high school diploma or GED, or statement of educational purpose. Check your financial aid status online at www.southseattle.edu/financial-aid/check-my-status.aspx

Awarding Deadlines
Completed applications are evaluated on a first-come, first-served basis in the awarding cycles listed below. All required documents must be completed accurately, signed and submitted by the student to the Financial Aid Office by the deadline. Applications completed after the deadline will be reviewed as time permits and late applicants must plan to pay for tuition and fees on their own. South Seattle offers the FACTS Payment plan as a payment plan option for students.

To be considered for maximum funding in the 2015-2016 award year, you must accurately complete your documents and submit your financial aid file by:

Fall Quarter       June 23, 2015
Winter Quarter    October 29, 2015
Spring Quarter    January 28, 2016
Summer Quarter*   April 28, 2016

*If you are currently receiving aid and wish to receive summer funds, contact the financial aid office in mid-April.
Cost of attendance (COA)
The following student budgets are ESTIMATED EXPENSES for a nine-month award year, or three (3) quarters. Documented costs related to students with special needs may be submitted for consideration and budget adjustment. These adjustments may or may not increase a financial aid award. Funding for these costs are limited.

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Financial Aid Programs
Your completed application will be reviewed for the following financial aid programs offered through South Seattle College; Federal Programs: Pell Grant (PELL), Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG), Federal Work Study (FWS), Federal Subsidized Direct Loan (DL SUB1) and Federal Unsubsidized Direct Loan (DL UNSUB) State Programs: State Need Grant (SNG), State Work Study (SWS), College Bound Scholarship (CBS), Passport to College (PP2C), Opportunity Scholarship (OS) College Programs: South Seattle College Grant (SSCG), Tuition Waiver (TW), Foundation Scholarship/13th Year Scholarship (FND SCH) Third-Party Assistance: Scholarship (OUTSCHOL), Opportunity Grant (OP), Special Account (SP ACCT), Basic Food (BFET), WorkForce (WF), Work Based Learning (WBL)

Family Contribution
Congress mandates the process used to determine how much the student and his/her family can contribute toward the student’s costs. Expected Family Contribution (EFC) is determined by the information reported on the FAFSA. We use the following formula to determine your eligibility: COA – EFC = Financial Aid Need

Enrollment Status
All students are awarded based on full-time enrollment. If you enroll for less than full-time, you must submit a copy of your registration to the Financial Aid Office at least two-weeks prior to the start of the quarter.

Students awarded loans must be enrolled in a minimum of 6 credits, required for their program of study.

Your aid will be adjusted according to your enrollment level on the Census Date based on the enrollment status requirements below:

- Full time: 12+ credits
- Three quarter time: 9-11 credits
- Half time: 6-8 credits
- Less than half time: 1-5 credits

Notification of Award
When an award is made, students are emailed a Financial Aid Notification. This letter will direct students to the Student Portal for Financial Aid, which lists the type(s) of aid awarded and the award amount(s) for each quarter. It is IMPORTANT that students read their notification letter carefully including links to the Conditions of Award and Satisfactory Academic Progress Requirements for Financial Aid Recipients at SSC. Students who are determined to be ineligible for aid will be notified by mail.

Financial Aid is not transferable from one college to the next.

You must contact the school you are transferring to and inquire about their financial aid application process.

Remedial Courses Requirement
Financial aid funds can only cover a maximum of forty-five (45) remedial credits necessary to enter classes in the student’s program of study.

Students must be enrolled in an eligible Financial Aid program leading to a degree or certificate at South Seattle College. Please contact the Financial Aid Office if you want to confirm a program is financial aid eligible.

Return of Title IV Aid
Financial Aid recipients, who withdraw from school or stop attending classes, may be required to repay all or part of the financial aid they received. Recipients may also be required to pay back, to the college, all or a portion of tuition charges.

Students who attend more than 60 percent of the quarter are considered to have earned 100 percent of the federal or state aid received.

Contact the Financial Aid Office for more information on Return of Title IV funds.

Withdrawal after the following dates will not require a repayment:
- Fall Qtr 2015: Nov 15, 2015
- Winter Qtr 2016: Feb 21, 2016
- Spring Qtr 2016: May 19, 2016
- Summer Qtr 2016: July 29, 2016

South Seattle College complies with all federal and state rules and regulations and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, disability, age, religion, honorably discharged veteran or military status, or sexual orientation. Inquiries regarding compliance and/or grievance procedures may be directed to the college’s Title IX/RCW 28A.640 officer at (206) 934-6415 and/or Section 504/ADA coordinator at (206) 934-5137.

Information in this publication is subject to change without notice. Please contact the Financial Aid Office if you have any questions.