In order to receive financial aid at UMKC, you are required to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each year (after October 1st). Most students will be able to apply online, but if you have reasons for needing another filing method, please visit the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office. Please submit your FAFSA in sufficient time for processing and awarding. Failure to do so can result in your classes being cancelled or being required to make a significant minimum payment.

**To Apply:**

- Obtain a FSA ID from the Department of Education at [www.faid.ed.gov](http://www.faid.ed.gov). The student and at least one parent (if providing parental data) will need a FSA ID to sign the FAFSA, as well as to make corrections and access other Department of Education resources. If you previously created a FSA ID, you can access it there as well.
- If you want to write down your answers before you fill the application out online, you can obtain a FAFSA on the Web Worksheet from [fafs.ed.gov](http://fafs.ed.gov).
- Apply at [fafs.ed.gov](http://fafs.ed.gov). Click on the green “Start a New FAFSA” button. Enter your FSA ID, or your name, social security number, and date of birth. Verify that your information is correct then click “next.” Next, click on either the “Start New FAFSA” or “FAFSA Renewal.”
- UMKC’s School Code is 002518. Make sure to list your housing plans.
- UMKC’s priority deadline is February 1st, but you can complete the FAFSA even after that date.

**Answers to Frequently Asked FAFSA Questions:**

For Pharm.D. Students Entering Fall 2018: Complete Step Four on the FAFSA to include parental data, even if you are an independent student, if you want to be considered for aid programs funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, such as the Health Professions Loans (HPL) or Loans for Disadvantaged (LDS) Students. If you want to apply for the HPL or LDS, you must also fill out the 2018-2019 HPL Instructions and Worksheet, available March 2018, and can be found at [fainaid.umkc.edu > Forms > Loan Forms > HPL Institutional Application (2018-19)](http://fainaid.umkc.edu).

*In order to answer questions #29, 30 and 48 on the FAFSA, see the attached flow chart on the next page.*

**Question #29** - “When you begin the 2018-2019 school year, what will be your grade level?”

- Year 1- choose junior or senior or 1st year graduate/professional, as applies to you based on the flow chart*

**Question #30** - “When you begin the 2018-2019 school year, what degree or certificate will you be working on?”

- Year 1 - choose 1st or 2nd Bachelor’s Degree or graduate/professional, as applies to you based on the flow chart*

**Question #48** - “At the beginning of 2018-2019 will you be working on a master’s or doctorate program?”

- Year 1 - choose “no” or “yes,” as applies to you based on the flow chart*

*Please Note: You may be requested to provide additional information at a later date, including verification forms and tax transcripts. You may also need to submit additional loan applications for Grad PLUS or private loans after the initial awards are made. The Financial Aid & Scholarships office will notify you if additional documentation is required.*
Filing the FAFSA & Financial Aid Eligibility

Entering First Year Pharm.D. Class Fall 2018

Do you have a Bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution?

Yes

PROFESSIONAL student for all 4 years of the Pharm.D. program

No

UNDERGRADUATE student for 1st year of Pharm.D. program.

Aid eligibility for 1st year of Pharm.D. program

Pell & SEOG Grants
Curator’s Scholar Award
Bright Flight Scholarship (5 year maximum, including pre-Pharmacy years)
Institutional & Outside Scholarships
Subsidized & Unsubsidized Loans
Loans for Disadvantaged Students
Health Professions Loans
PLUS or Private Loans
Federal Work Study

Aid eligibility for last 3 years of Pharm.D. program

Bright Flight Scholarship (5 year maximum, including pre-Pharmacy years)
Institutional & Outside Scholarships
Unsubsidized Loans
Loans for Disadvantaged Students
Health Professions Loans
Grad PLUS or Private Loans
Federal Work Study

Yes

Aid eligibility for all 4 years of Pharm.D. program