



## Apollo Career Center - Adult Education Financial Aid Information

By filing the FAFSA, you are not obligated in any way, but this must be completed to determine financial aid eligibility (Financial Aid is available for most of our programs that are 600+ clock hours).

### **Step 1**

Gather items that will assist you in completing the FAFSA, for example: Your social security number, tax returns 2017, current bank statements, untaxed income (such as workers comp & disability), Child Support paid out or received during Jan-Dec 2017, etc.

### **Step 2**

Do you & your Parent (see note below) have a Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID username & password? Please visit <https://fsaid.ed.gov/> to either create or retrieve your FSA ID (retain your FSA ID in a safe place for future steps).

*Note: If you are under age 24, not married, and not supporting any children, you are considered a Dependent student (whether you live with or receive any support from parents). If this is the case, your Parent will also need to create an FSA ID so that they can complete their part of the FAFSA with their income tax information and sign their name electronically also.*

### **Step 3**

Go to: [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) and choose Log In, then log-in on the left side with your FSA ID.

➤ **File 2019-2020 (with 2017 tax info)**

### **Step 4**

When you get to School Selection screen, please choose Apollo Career Center as your school by entering our federal school code which is **017290**.

### **Step 5 - VERY IMPORTANT!! – INCOME TAX INFORMATION!!**

The 2019-2020 FAFSA has an IRS Data tool to pull in your tax information directly from the IRS website. When you get to the Financial Information section you will see a question stating “Did you file a Puerto Rican or foreign tax return?” – if you can answer this as “no”, then it comes up an option to “Link to IRS”, and you want to click on this, which takes you out to the IRS website where you want to fill in your address that exactly matches your 2017 tax return (for 2019-2020), and you should be able to pull up your tax data and have the option to transfer it directly into the FAFSA (exception: married filing separately status will not be able to use this tool – if this tool does not work, please follow Step 9 to obtain the IRS Tax Return Transcripts).

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### **Step 6**

Once you have entered your tax and asset information into the FAFSA, you will need to “sign & submit” the FAFSA. With the email address you provided within your FAFSA, the Federal Department of Education will send your Student Aid Report (SAR) by e-mail within 3-5 days. To check the status of your FAFSA: [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) or 1-800-433-3243.

### **Step 7**

If there are any SAR issues that need to be resolved we will contact you and may ask you to schedule an appointment, or you may receive a request for verification from the financial aid office. The verification paperwork will need to be completed before your financial aid can be processed.

### **Step 8**

Once you have been accepted into the program you have applied to and your Student Aid Report has no unresolved issues, a financial aid package will be prepared for you and you will receive contact by email or phone call from the financial aid department to schedule an appointment to go over your financial aid awards.

### **Step 9**

THIS IS A SEPARATE STEP OUTSIDE OF THE FAFSA, BUT IS A REQUIRED DOCUMENT IF YOU COULD NOT USE THE IRS LINK FOR YOUR TAX INFORMATION WITHIN THE FAFSA:

Student & Parent(s) (for Dependent students) MUST each order a Tax Return Transcript (this is FREE to order) as follows so that you are prepared to provide support of tax information at your Financial Aid appointment (NOTE: It takes approx. 2 weeks to receive these – so don't delay, order today!!)

- To obtain a **2017 IRS Tax Return Transcript**, go online to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) and click on the “Get Your Tax Record” button, then select “Get Transcript by Mail” to have it mailed to you. Use the Social Security Number and the date of birth of the first person listed on the 2017 IRS income tax return, and the address on file with the IRS (normally this will be the address used on the IRS income tax return). Be sure to request the **Tax Return Transcript** and not the Tax Account Transcript when ordering.

**IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE IN FILING YOUR FAFSA – PLEASE CONTACT THE FINANCIAL AID SPECIALIST TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT:**

JOY BAEUMEL 419-998-2990

OR

[joy.baeumel@apolloc.org](mailto:joy.baeumel@apolloc.org)

**You are not eligible for financial aid unless you have completed your secondary education. We will require you to provide a copy of your high school diploma or GED for proof.**

## **FEDERAL TITLE IV**

Available To Those Who Qualify

**PELL GRANT** – Based on need and does not have to be repaid.  
Maximum grant for 2019-2020 is \$6,195.00\*.

**DIRECT SUBSIDIZED STAFFORD LOAN** – Based on need and repayment begins six months after you leave school. Maximum amount for first year is \$3,500\* for both independent and dependent students.

**DIRECT UNSUBSIDIZED STAFFORD LOAN** – Not need based and repayment begins six months after you leave school. Maximum amount for first year is \$9,500\* less any subsidized money for independent students; and \$5,500\* less any subsidized money for dependent students.

**DIRECT PLUS LOAN** – For parents of dependent students only. Not need based and repayment can be postponed until six months after the student leaves school. Maximum amount may not exceed total cost of attendance less any other aid to be received.

\*Amounts shown are based on a full-time program of 900 hours. Awards will be prorated accordingly for programs with less than 900 hours.

**Independent Student** – An independent student is one of the following: at least 24 years old, married, a graduate or professional student, a veteran, a member of the armed forces, an orphan, a ward of the court, someone with legal dependents other than spouse, an emancipated minor or someone who is homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

**Dependent Student** – A student who does not meet any of the criteria for an independent student.

For more information about grants or student loans please visit: [www.studentaid.gov](http://www.studentaid.gov). Not all types of aid are available at every school.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Apollo Education Foundation offers various scholarships based on your program of study, you can inquire with the Financial Aid office as to what scholarships you may be eligible to apply for, and check the Financial Aid page of our website for Scholarship Links:

[www.apollocareercenter.com/adult-education/](http://www.apollocareercenter.com/adult-education/)

You may also look for and apply for scholarships online at:

<https://scholars.horatioalger.org/>

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org)

[www.gocollege.com](http://www.gocollege.com)

[www.careerinfonet.org/scholarshipsearch](http://www.careerinfonet.org/scholarshipsearch)

**OTHER FEDERAL/STATE AID**  
Available To Those Who Qualify

**Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)** – Financial assistance may be available from this funding source for underemployed, single parents, economically disadvantaged, dislocated workers and other individuals. Partial to total aid may be available to cover tuition, books and supplies. Please contact your local county Ohio Means Jobs center for additional information/eligibility requirements.

**Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA)** – Financial assistance may be available for students who have lost jobs or had hours and wages reduced because of foreign trade. Contact your employer or local county Ohio Means Jobs center for more information and eligibility requirements.

**Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Bureau of Voc. Rehabilitation (BVR)** – Financial assistance may be available from this local agency for students with physical, mental or emotional disabilities. This agency provides individuals with disabilities services and supports necessary to help them attain and maintain employment. Partial to total aid may be available to cover tuition, books, and supplies. Contact your local or area Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation office.

**Veterans' Education Assistance** – To apply for VA Educational Benefits, please visit the VA website at <https://www.va.gov/education/how-to-apply/> and apply for benefits. A Certificate of Eligibility will be issued in the mail to you in approximately 30 days after applying. Bring your Certificate of Eligibility to the school as proof of your education benefits.

**IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

**Apollo Career Center**      Financial Aid Advisor      419-998-2990

**Veteran's Benefits** (local office-Lima)      419-228-3700

**Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation**      419-228-1421

**Ohio Means Jobs or County JFS Offices (for WIOA & TAA funding):**

Allen	419-999-0360	Auglaize	419-739-6505
Hancock	419-429-8031	Hardin	419-674-2312
Logan	937-599-5165	Mercer	419-586-6409
Putnam	567-376-3761	Shelby	937-498-4981 x297
Van Wert	419-238-4931		



## VETERANS EDUCATION PROGRAMS

### The following programs are eligible for VA funding:

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|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| >Automated Manufacturing Technology   | >Licensed Practical Nursing      |
| >Basic Police Academy                 | >Manicuring                      |
| >Certified Fire Inspector             | >Medical Assistant               |
| >Chemical Operator                    | >Medical Insurance Specialist    |
| >CNC Operator                         | >Network & Cloud Technologies    |
| >Culinary                             | >Network +                       |
| >Dental Assistant                     | >Nurse Aide                      |
| >Early Childhood Education            | >Phlebotomy                      |
| >Electrical Certificate               | >Robotics                        |
| >Emergency Medical Technician--Basic  | >Spa Technology                  |
| >Esthetician                          | >Structural Plate & Pipe Welding |
| >Fabrication Concepts & Plate Welding | >Truck Driving Class A           |
| >Fire Fighter Level 1 and 2           | >Truck Driving Class B           |
| >HVAC (144 hrs)                       | >Truck Driving/Heavy Equipment   |
| >Industrial Maintenance Technician    | >Welding Certificate (336 hrs)   |

### Veterans' Education Assistance Benefits

- ❖ Chapter 30 Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty Educational Assistance
- ❖ Chapter 31 Vocational Rehabilitation
- ❖ Chapter 32 Veterans' Education Assistance Program
- ❖ Chapter 33 Post 911\*\*
- ❖ Chapter 35 Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance
- ❖ Chapter 1606 Montgomery GI Bill Selected Reserve Educational Assistance Program
- ❖ Chapter 1607 Montgomery GI Bill Selected Reserve Educational Assistance Program

To apply for VA Educational Benefits, please visit the VA website at <https://www.va.gov/education/how-to-apply/> and apply for benefits.

**A Certificate of Eligibility is required to be presented upon registration as proof of your education benefits.**

\*\*Chapter 33 only pays the school directly, so you are allowed to start a program without payment if you can provide your VA Certificate of Eligibility in advance.

**ALL OTHER BENEFITS ARE PAYABLE DIRECTLY TO STUDENT AND NOT TO THE SCHOOL. THEREFORE, THE STUDENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL TUITION AND FEES ASSOCIATED WITH THEIR PROGRAM.**