Financial Aid Checklist

☐ Apply for a Personal Identification Number (PIN)
  • www.pin.ed.gov
  • Dependent students: Both you and your parent, whose information will be listed on the FAFSA, will need to apply for a PIN

☐ Fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
  • www.fafsa.gov
  • Available January 1st of each year
  • Be sure to include Iowa Central’s school code: 004597

☐ Register with Selective Service
  • Male U.S. citizens who are between the ages of 18 -25 must register to receive Federal financial aid
  • www.sss.gov

☐ Submit requested documents
  • Approximately 30% of FAFSAs are selected for verification
  • Verification includes completing the appropriate year’s verification worksheet and submitting copies of the student’s and parent’s (if applicable) Federal IRS tax return transcript
  • If you are enrolled in courses you may view documents needed in WebAdvisor under “Financial Aid Status by Year” (WebAdvisor can be accessed at www.iowacentral.edu, click on TritonPass)

☐ Enroll in courses
  • If applicable, send official college transcripts to the Student Records Office. Make sure the official transcripts are received and evaluated by the Student Records Office.

☐ Receive award letter notification postcard and accept awards online in WebAdvisor
  • The award letter notification postcard describes the process to view your award letter online
  • Log in to TritonPass, click on the WebAdvisor tab to view and accept your awards
  • You will need to accept or decline each award

☐ If you accept a Federal Direct Loan for the first time at Iowa Central you must complete 2 additional steps before your loan can be disbursed to the school
  • Direct Loan Master Promissory Note: Complete online at studentloans.gov
  • Direct Loan Entrance Counseling: Complete online at studentloans.gov

☐ Apply for scholarships
  • Check Iowa Central’s website regularly for list of available scholarships
  • www.iowacentral.edu, click on “Financial Aid”, and then “Scholarships”

☐ Complete Registration
  • You will receive an invoice prior to the beginning of the term. You must respond by signing the top portion and returning it to the Business Office.

☐ If your financial aid does not cover the costs on your invoice and you want to explore additional loan options, please contact the Financial Aid Office

☐ You must maintain satisfactory academic progress to continue to receive all forms financial aid
  • Successfully complete 67% of attempted credit hours
  • Completion of academic program in 150% of the published credits of the program
  • Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0

Please remember to ask questions throughout the entire process. We are here to assist you!

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