

2020-2021 Federal Financial Aid Information

Pathway Sequential Program in Learning and Life Skills (Restricted Enrollment)

Pathway at UCLA Extension is a two-year program providing a blend of educational, social, and vocational experiences to students with intellectual disabilities. The program provides an opportunity for our students to fully engage in the UCLA campus experience while also receiving specialized instruction and support.

The Pathway curriculum blends required coursework in broad life skill areas with elective opportunities to explore specific academic interests through other UCLA department course offerings. The curriculum emphasizes self-advocacy, and uses individualized support to accommodate the different learning styles of students with intellectual and other developmental disabilities. Courses include training in life skills and career exploration, with a strong emphasis on practical learning.

Students live in an apartment building one block from the UCLA Campus, attend classes on the campus, receive support and instruction in independent living skills, and participate in internships to clarify or solidify their career goals.

STEPS TO THE FINANCIAL AID PROCESS

In order to receive Federal Student Aid, students must:

- Have a documented intellectual disability as defined in the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008;
- Be enrolled in the program full time (at least 12 unit equivalents per quarter);
- Maintain passing grades (“C” or better or Pass) in all enrolled classes;
- Complete the program in six quarters

2020-21 Financial Aid Application Deadline: August 4, 2020

This deadline date represents the last day to turn in a completed federal financial aid packet.

To begin the financial aid process, please refer to the 2020-2021 [UCLA Extension Federal Financial Aid Guide & Application Packet](#).

Note: Students enrolling in the Pathway Program are NOT eligible to apply for the Federal Direct Loan program and therefore should NOT complete the master promissory note (MPN) and/or supplemental certification form.

NOTE: In order to meet these deadline dates, you must submit the 2020-21 FAFSA to the Federal Student Aid Processing Center; preferably 6-8 weeks prior to the deadline date listed above.

U.S. citizens or eligible green card holders enrolled in the Pathway Sequential Program in Learning and Life Skills may apply for a Federal Pell Grant, to assist with the allocated costs of tuition expenses while in the program. Federal Pell Grants are need-based and do not have to be repaid. Eligibility is determined by the federal government according to a formula developed by the U.S. Department of Education and approved annually by Congress. Awards range from \$400 to \$6,195.

1. In order to be considered for a Pell Grant, applicants must submit a 2020-2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid which is accessible online at www.fafsa.gov. Students and/or parents that need assistance completing the paperwork should call (310) 825-4246 or email finaid@uclaextension.edu to schedule an appointment with an advisor 9am to 4:30pm Monday through Friday. We recommend you apply 4-6 weeks before your anticipated program start date so that your funds will be applied to your tuition and fees.
2. The result of your FAFSA processing is the generation of a document called your Student Aid Report (SAR). The 2020-2021 SAR is emailed directly to you from the federal processor 5-7 days after you submit the FAFSA. When you receive your SAR, read it carefully. If additional information is requested or if there is an error, follow the directions given. If your SAR is accurate and complete, print and submit with your completed financial aid packet.
3. Complete and submit three supplemental forms included in the [UCLA Extension Federal Financial Aid Guide & Application Packet](#)
 - a) 2020 California State Tax-Withholding Statement Form 590, pages 17-18
 - b) 2020-2021 UCLA Extension Financial Aid Supplement Form 591, page 19
 - c) 2018 Financial Aid Applicant Income Certification Form 592, page 20

4. Submit signed photocopies of your/your spouse's 2018 IRS Federal Income Tax Return Transcript and/or Verification of Non-Filing with all schedules and worksheets or that of your parents if you were claimed as a dependent (**parental tax transcripts are required for applicants born after 01/01/1997**).
5. If you did not file 2018 taxes and if you are currently unemployed and/or receiving public assistance, current documentation dated within the past 30 days verifying source of income and monthly entitlement is required along with either a Dependent or Independent Verification Form (please contact the financial Aid Office to request this form).
6. Financial aid funds will be credited toward outstanding tuition due. *The Financial Aid Disbursement schedule will be included in your financial aid notification letter.*

TAX RETURN FILERS

2018 IRS Tax return transcript may be obtained through the following options:

Online Requests

www.IRS.gov

Under Tools, click on *Get a tax transcript/Get Transcript ONLINE*. Be sure to request the "IRS Tax return Transcript" and **NOT** "IRS Tax Account Transcript" select "2018" in the Tax Year field.

Telephone Request

Call 800-908-9946

Paper Request Form

IRS Form 4506T-EZ or 4506-T

NON TAX FILERS

2018 IRS Verification of Non-Filing Letter may be obtained through the following options:

Online Requests

www.IRS.gov

Under Tools, click on *Get a tax transcript/Get Transcript ONLINE*. Be sure to request the "IRS Tax return Transcript" and **NOT** "IRS Tax Account Transcript" select "2018" in the Tax Year field.

Paper Request Form

IRS Form 4506T-EZ or 4506-T (refer to Line 7 of the 4506-T Form). Do not list UCLA Extension as the 3rd party to receive to receive the "Verification of the Non-Filing Letter." Please provide your date of birth on last 4 digits of your SSN# on the letter.