



It's What you Do before the Season!

Have you done your 18-19 FASFA? If not, you should do so immediately. If you did, that is just the start. Students must regularly monitor the **NEIUpport** for additional requirements. If you see any red flags in the portal under **Financial Aid Requirements**, our office is letting you know that we need you to take action! Submitting these requirements gives the financial aid advisors what they need to award you. You will know your financial aid file is complete when your awards are reflected under the **'Award Overview'** tab. Next, students should pursue scholarships. You can apply for scholarships on our NEIU website or search for outside scholarships on our resource page, Facebook and Twitter. We recommend that you also take advantage of other sites such as: *fastweb.com*, *myscholly.com* or *scholarshipowl.com*. These are all great sites for outside scholarships. Employment is another option. You may qualify for **Work-Study** or a **Student Aid** position. Visit our **Student Employment Office** at **D012** for more info on available positions through the school.

Many of our students complete their degree without taking loans but they are available if you need them. If you know you will not be able to pay off your balance before the final payment date; you may want to apply for a loan to avoid accounts receivable holds that may keep you from registering for the next semester. **Federal Subsidized Direct Loans** do not accrue interest as long as the borrower is enrolled at least half time. **Federal Unsubsidized Direct Loans** begin to accrue interest from the time you take the loan, so you may wish to use them sparingly, if not at all. Having your financial aid in place before the school year begins takes the pressure and stress away, so that you can concentrate on what matters most, your education!



BATTER UP:

SAVE THE DATE!
EARLY FAFSA
OCTOBER 1ST, 2018

- You will be able to complete your 2019-20 FAFSA (applies to Fall 2019, Spring 2020, and Summer 2020 semesters) that early!
- This will change how students file their FAFSA. They no longer have to wait until January to file it!
- Students and parents will be able to use 2017 tax data on the 2019-20 FAFSA so they don't have to wait until they file their 2018 tax return!
- The Financial Aid Office will keep you updated with more information as the year progresses.

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Got Game? Summer Financial Aid Options

FEDERAL PELL GRANT

You may have heard the news regarding Year-Round Pell eligibility. If you attended Fall, 2017 and Spring, 2018 full time (at any institution attended) you may be eligible for Pell grant in the summer 2018 for 6 to 12 credit hours! If you used less than 24 hours of Pell (at any institution attended) in Fall and Spring you can use the remainder of the Pell Grant in the Summer totaling up to 24 credit hours.

FEDERAL DIRECT LOANS

If you have not borrowed the annual limit during Fall, 2017 and Spring, 2018 and are enrolled in at least 6 credit hours in the Summer, you can receive a summer loan. You do not have to wait until Summer to borrow if you are currently enrolled at least half-time for Spring (borrow early). Summer loan requests must be submitted no later than July 12th, 2018.

FEDERAL CAMPUS BASED AID

If you have received Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant (SEOG), Work Study or Perkins Loans in the Fall, 2017 and Spring 2018, you can be eligible to receive it in the Summer as well. Note that all Perkins loan disbursements must take place PRIOR to June 30th, 2018.

SEOG Grant	\$175.00—\$350.00
Federal Work Study	\$1,250.00
Federal Perkins Loan	\$750.00
Eagle Performance	\$750.00

INSTITUTIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

- Graduate Merit and Need-Based tuition Scholarships
- Undergraduate Merit Tuition Scholarships
- University Foundation Scholarships

SUMMER BOOK VOUCHERS

TO QUALIFY

- Financial aid file must be cleared
- Financial aid awards must exceed tuition and fees

ORDER BOOKS ONLINE

- Visit eFollett.com website
<http://www.bkstr.com/Northeasternillinoisstore/home>
- Download the mobile application for your phone
- Show your NEIU ID to the cashier and request to pick up your books as early as Monday May 7th

SHOP IN PERSON

Visit the bookstore with your NEIU Id to select your books

HIT, RUN, SCORE & REGISTER FOR SUMMER CLASSES, NOW!!!

FINANCIAL WELLNESS CONTACT INFOR-

FINAID OFFICE HOURS:

Monday & Friday
8:30am-4:30pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
8:30am-6:00pm

ONLINE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION:

<https://neiu.academicworks.com/>

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Financial-Aid@neiu.edu

TELEPHONE CENTER/FAX

(773) 442-5016/ (773) 442-5040

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT OFFICE TELEPHONE/EMAIL

(773) 442-4696/ student-employment@neiu.edu

WEBSITE ACCESS: <http://www.neiu.edu/financial-aid/>

FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/NEIUfinancialaid>

TWITTER: <https://twitter.com/NEIUfinancial>

STUDENT PAYMENT SERVICES OFFICE HOURS:

Mondays and Fridays
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