

## H. FINANCIAL AID

**Please refer to the following financial aid definitions when completing Section H.**

**Awarded aid:** The dollar amounts offered to financial aid applicants.

**Financial aid applicant:** Any applicant who submits any one of the institutionally required financial aid applications/forms, such as the FAFSA.

**Indebtedness:** Aggregate dollar amount borrowed through any loan program (federal, state, subsidized, unsubsidized, private, etc.; excluding parent loans) while the student was enrolled at an institution. Student loans co-signed by a parent are assumed to be the responsibility of the student and **should** be included.

**Institutional scholarships and grants:** Endowed scholarships, annual gifts and tuition funded grants for which the institution determines the recipient.

**Financial need:** As determined by your institution using the federal methodology and/or your institution's own standards.

**Need-based aid:** College-funded or college-administered award from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must have financial need to qualify. This includes both institutional and non-institutional student aid (grants, jobs, and loans).

**Need-based scholarship or grant aid:** Scholarships and grants from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must have financial need to qualify.

**Need-based self-help aid:** o

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ence for counting non-need money as need-based:

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| 1. Non-need institutional grants | 6. Non-need outside grants |
| 2. Non-need tuition waivers      | 7. Non-need student loans  |
| 3. Non-need athletic awards      | 8. Non-need parent loans   |
| 4. Non-need federal grants       | 9. Non-need work           |
| 5. Non-need state grants         |                            |

**Non-need-based self-help aid:** Loans and jobs from institutional, state, or other sources for which a student need not demonstrate financial need to qualify.

**Private student loans:** A nonfederal loan made by a lender such as a bank, credit union or private lender used to pay for up to the annual cost of education, less any financial aid received.

**External scholarships and grants:** Scholarships and grants received from outside (private) sources that students bring with them (e.g., Kiwanis, National Merit scholarships). The institution may process paperwork to receive the dollars, but it has no role in determining the recipient or the dollar amount

**Work study and employment:** Federal and state work study aid, and any employment packaged by your institution in financial aid awards.

**DO NOT INCLUDE ANY AID RELATED TO THE CARES ACT OR UNIQUE THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

### Aid Awarded to Enrolled Undergraduates

**H1** Enter total dollar amounts **awarded** to enrolled full-time and less than full-time degree-seeking undergraduates (**using the same cohort reported in CDS Question B1, "total degree-seeking" undergraduates**) in the following categories.

- If the data being reported are final figures for the 2019-2020 academic year (see the next item below), use the 2019-2020 academic year's CDS Question B1 cohort.
- Include aid awarded to international students (i.e., those not qualifying for federal aid).
- Aid that is non-need-based but that was used to meet need should be reported in the need-based aid column.
- For a suggested order of precedence in assigning categories of aid to cover need, see the entry for "non-
- **Do NOT include any aid related to the CARES Act or unique to the COVID-19 pandemic.**

2020-2021 estimated	2019-2020 Final
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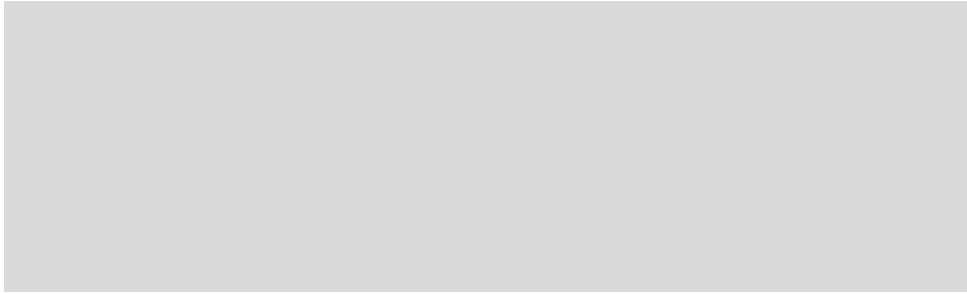
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	<b>Need-based</b> (Include non-need-based aid use to meet need.)	<b>Non-need</b>
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**Process for First-Year/Freshman Students**

**H8**

**X**

**H9**

Priority date for filing required financial aid forms: February 15th

Deadline for filing required financial aid forms:

**X**

**H10**

a) Students notified on or about (date):

Dream US Scholarship (for DACA students)

**H14** Check off criteria used in awarding institutional aid. Check all that apply.

	Non-Need Based	Need-Based
Academics	<b>x</b>	
Alumni affiliation	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>
Art	<b>x</b>	
Athletics		
Job skills		
ROTC	<b>x</b>	
Leadership	<b>x</b>	
Minority status		<b>x</b>
Music/drama	<b>x</b>	
Religious affiliation		<b>x</b>
State/district residency		<b>x</b>

**H15** If your institution has recently implemented any major financial aid policy, program, or initiative to make your institution more affordable to incoming students such as replacing loans with grants, or waiving costs for families below a certain income level please provide details below:

Northeastern Illinois University's default aversion policy stresses 'free money' options as a primary resources for meeting direct costs. 70% of undergraduate students had direct costs met at fall, 2020 census with gift assistance. Funds have been allocated for special circumstances and emergency situations as a result of covid-19.

Are these policies related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

- Yes  
 No