

Financial Aid Information- Dentistry DDS Students

In order to receive financial aid at UMKC, we require that you file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each year. Most students will be able to apply online, but if you have reasons for needing another filing method, please visit the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office. Please submit your FAFSA in sufficient time for processing and awarding. Failure to do so can result in your classes being cancelled or being required to make a significant minimum payment.

To Apply:

- Obtain a PIN from the Department of Education at www.pin.ed.gov. The student and at least one parent (if providing parental data) will need a PIN to sign the FAFSA, as well as to make corrections and access other Department of Education resources. If you previously applied for a PIN, you can access it there as well.
- If you want to write down your answers before you fill the application out online, you can obtain a FAFSA on the Web Worksheet from www.fafsa.ed.gov
- Apply at www.fafsa.ed.gov using the "Fill Out your FAFSA" link. Select "2009-2010 FAFSA" from the drop down box. If you have filed in previous years, you will be asked if you would like the system to pre-fill your FAFSA with last year's data. There is no longer an option to file a Renewal FAFSA.
- UMKC's School Code is 002518. Make sure to list your housing plans.
- UMKC's priority deadline is March 1st, but you can complete it even after that date

Answers to Frequently Asked FAFSA Questions:

- Complete Step Four on the FAFSA to include parental data, even if you are an independent student, if you want to be considered for aid programs funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.
- Question #28- "When you begin the 09-10 school year, what will be your grade level?"
 - Year 1- choose "6" for 1st Year Professional
 - Year 3-4- choose "7" for Continuing Professional
- Question #29- "When you begin the 09-10 school year, what degree will you be working on?"
 - Year 1-4- choose "8" for Professional Degree
- Question #50- "At the beginning of 09-10 will you be working on a master's program?"
 - All DDS Years - choose "yes"

Please Note: You may be requested to provide additional information at a later date, including verification forms and tax returns. You may also need to submit additional loan applications for Grad PLUS or private loans after the initial award is made.