6 Steps to Apply for Financial Aid

- 1. Apply for an FSA ID to complete the FAFSA (if you already have an FSA ID, you can skip this step)
 - a. This must be done for the student and each FAFSA contributor (ex. Parent, step-parent, spouse, etc.)
 - Go to https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch
 - Enter your personal information
 - Create your Username and Password (FSA ID)

2. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

- Go to www.studentaid.gov
- Ensure you are completing the appropriate FAFSA application for the term(s) you will be enrolling in
 - o 2025-2026 FAFSA: Fall 2025, Spring 2026, Summer 2026
 - o 2026-2027 FAFSA: Fall 2026, Spring 2027, Summer 2027
- In the college section, include the JSCC school code 004937, so that we will get the results of your FAESA
- If unsure about any questions on your FAFSA, feel free to reach out to us and let us know!
 - The JSCC Financial Aid Office can be reached at <u>fao@jscc.edu</u>. If emailing, attach a screenshot of the question you are unsure about.
 - o Our office is conveniently located in the Student Center: Room 108.

3. Submit all documents requested by the Financial Aid Office

- Submit all forms that have been requested by the Financial Aid Office.
 - Students with unsatisfied financial aid requirements will be informed via their student email address.
- Some students are selected for a process called Verification. Requested Verification forms and information about any unsatisfied Financial Aid requirements can be located in your JWeb portal.
 - o Locate the Financial Aid Quick Links tile and select "JSCC Financial Aid"
 - Select the requirement to access the electronic form (blue words)
 - If no form is available, click the drop-down menu beside the name of the requirement for more information about that requirement.
- Once we have reviewed your submission, it is possible that additional documents may be required. If this happens, we will send you an email informing you that additional information is needed and directing you to your Jweb to review it.
- You can check the status of your financial aid application at any time by logging into your JSCC portal
 or by reaching out to the Financial Aid Office

o Email: fao@jscc.edu

Location: Student Center 108

o Phone: 731-425-2605

*Failure to submit requested information in a timely manner may delay receipt of your award, and may prevent you from being considered for some types of Financial Aid.

4. Apply for Admissions as a degree-seeking student

Check to make sure that your major is considered degree-seeking for Financial Aid purposes.

5. Review your Financial Aid Award Notice

- Once you have completed and submitted all the required documents, the Financial Aid Office will
 determine what types of aid you can receive and how much you can get.
- Once awarded, an email will be sent to your student email address informing you that a change has been made to your financial aid.
- Award information can be viewed by logging into your JSCC portal.
 - o Locate the Financial Aid Quick Links tile and select "JSCC Financial Aid"
 - Select the "Offer" tab in grey to view your award information
- Initial award amounts are usually based on full-time enrollment. If you do not enroll as a full-time student, then your award may be adjusted to reflect your current enrollment status.

6. Reapply EACH year

- A new FAFSA for the next Fall term should be completed after October 1st each year.
- Some Financial Aid types have priority deadlines, so if you will be enrolled in the next Fall term, we strongly encourage the New FAFSA form to be completed as soon as possible.