

Need access to a computer?

Visit our Financial Aid Web Lab. It allows students who don't have access to the internet the ability to both search and apply for a variety of financial aid programs on-line.

The lab provides web access to:

- √ apply for federal & state aid
- √ request a PIN
- √ print a Student Aid Report (SAR)
- √ update and correct application & check award status
- √ complete loan entrance/exit counseling and sign e-MPNS
- √ view information about loans and grants you have received
- √ register with selective service
- √ search for scholarships

Financial Aid Web Lab Hours:

Monday through Thursday
10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Friday
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

The Lab is located in Rm N-764 but relocates to the college's Learning Resource Center Rm S-500c during registration.

The lab is staffed with financial aid representatives who will help you take full advantage of on-line financial aid services.

Need help with your FAFSA?

Check our website at: <http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/finaid/workshops.html> for answers to many of your questions and for the location and schedule of available application labs and workshops.



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Information Guide

BILL PAYMENT INFORMATION FOR LATE FILERS

Fall 2010 & Spring 2011 Semesters



BMCC OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

When you register, you will receive a billing statement that includes total tuition and fee charges. Your bill must be settled by the close of business on the deadline date indicated on your bill or your classes will be cancelled. Most students who apply for financial aid early have their financial aid awards automatically printed on their bills.

HOW CAN I SETTLE MY BILL IF I NEED FINANCIAL AID BUT HAVEN'T APPLIED?

The college cannot credit financial aid awards to your tuition bill if you haven't filed your financial aid applications. However, the Bursar may be able to defer some or all of your tuition balance based on an award estimate.

HOW CAN I GET AN AWARD ESTIMATE?

Step 1: File a Free Application for Federal Student Aid



(FAFSA) on the Web at: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>. Choose the "2010-11 FAFSA" option. Be sure to include BMCC (Federal Code 002691) as one of your college choices. You and your parents should obtain and use a Federal PIN to sign your application electronically. You will need to have your (and your parents', if dependent) 2009 income & asset information available.

Step 2: Print a confirmation page. You only get ONE chance to print this page. On this page you will find an estimated Expected Family Contribution (EFC) number.

Step 3: After you register, take your confirmation page to the Bursar's Office bill payment area. The Bursar may be able to defer some or all of your tuition based on your estimated EFC.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

The federal government will process your FAFSA and will send you a Student Aid Report (SAR) by mail or e-mail within 3 weeks. You may check your application status at the FAFSA on the Web "Check Status" page.

The financial aid office will notify you if there are any problems with your SAR and may request additional information. You must resolve any problems with your application before receiving any federal student aid funds.

HOW CAN I SETTLE MY BILL IF I HAVEN'T RESOLVED ALL THE PROBLEMS WITH MY SAR?

If your SAR contains an EFC, take it to the Bursar's Office bill payment area. The Bursar may be able to defer some or all of your tuition based on the estimated EFC. You will still need to resolve any problems remaining with your SAR before receiving any funds.

[Your SAR must have an EFC printed on it for the Bursar to make a deferral.]

HOW CAN I GET A COPY OF MY SAR?



Log-on to FAFSA on the Web's "Check Status" page and select "View and Print Your Student Aid Report". You will need your Department of Education PIN to access your SAR information. If you don't know your PIN, retrieve it at: <http://www.pin.ed.gov>.

WHAT IF I NEED A STUDENT LOAN?

Visit our loan request page at: <http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/finaid/loanrequest.html> and follow the steps outlined there to complete an on-line federal direct loan request. When you submit your request, you should print out the confirmation page for your records. You will receive a copy of this confirmation page as an e-mail. Your request will be processed after we determine that:

1. You have filed a FAFSA for the current school year;
2. The information you provided on your FAFSA is correct;
3. You have registered for at least 6 credits or the equivalent.



The Bursar will be notified about your request-in-progress within 3-5 business days. When settling your bill, be prepared to show the

Bursar printed confirmation page. If the confirmation page is the only evidence of your loan, the Bursar may require you to pay your school fees in order to defer your tuition balance.

WHAT IF I NEED ANOTHER PAYMENT OPTION?

The college offers an interest-free tuition payment plan that allows you to pay a portion of your tuition now and the rest in installments. Learn how to enroll online at: <http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/bursar/>. During registration, representatives will be on-campus in the designated bill payment area to give you in-person assistance.