



To All Financial Aid and Loan Recipients:



Spring 2019 Updates to Registration and Financial Aid Disbursement Processes

The college is pleased to announce improvements with the financial aid disbursement and registration process. These changes will result in aid being disbursed earlier in the semester, allowing eligible students to access and use funds much earlier than they were previously able.

Your registration as of 11:59pm on Thursday, January 31st will be used to determine your financial aid eligibility for this semester.

All ability to enroll yourself in classes on CUNYFirst will end on January 31st at 11:59pm. Therefore, any net additions to your schedule should be completed and reflected in CUNYFirst by this deadline. Any aid for which you may be eligible (including grants and loans) will be determined based on your registration as it stands on January 31st at 11:59pm. Please note that you may still be able to SWAP COURSES with departmental permission, and retain the eligibility established on January 31st.

Direct Stafford Loans

Eligible undergraduate and graduate students registered for less than 6 credits on January 31st at 11:59pm will be disqualified.

Adjustments and Appeal Process

If exceptional circumstances require that you adjust your schedule after January 31st in a way that affects your financial aid, you should contact the department offering the course and they will work with the Registrar and Financial Aid offices to adjust your registration and financial aid. Please note that exceptions will be granted only for legitimate extenuating circumstances so you should make every effort to complete your registration by January 31st.

Lastly, if you have reached your 60th completed credit (applies to new and continuing students), you must declare your major by February 14th for the receipt of financial aid—specifically, NYS TAP/APTS.