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Checklist for new A+ Students

To guarantee funding by the start of classes, complete the steps below before the priority deadlines. Priority dates are June 30 (fall semester); Nov. 30 (spring semester); and April 30 (summer semester).

1) Apply for Admission as a Regular Student
   • Application available at [www.stlcc.edu](http://www.stlcc.edu) or at the campus Admissions/Registration office.
   • Request your final high school transcripts with the A+ stamp be sent to the campus Admissions/Registration office.
   • Submit official college transcripts to the campus Admissions/Registration office if coursework was completed in high school through a dual enrollment program.

2) Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) using STLCC code 002469
   • Application available at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) or call 800-433-3243 to request a paper copy.

3) Take COMPASS Placement Test
   (Find information at [www.stlcc.edu/compass](http://www.stlcc.edu/compass) or [www.act.org/compass/student](http://www.act.org/compass/student).)
   Students are required to complete the placement test. All or part of the assessment may be waived if you have:
   • An ACT reading score of 18 or above to waive the reading test.
   • An ACT English score of 18 or above to waive the writing test.
   • An ACT math score of 23 or above to waive the math test.

4) Meet with Academic Advising and Financial Aid
   • Get help planning and selecting courses.
   • Complete an Academic Audit form to verify courses are eligible for A+ funding.

5) Enroll as a Full-Time Student*
   • You must register for a minimum of 12 credit hours each semester to receive funding for fall and spring terms, six credit hours for summer term (optional enrollment).
   • Register online at [www.stlcc.edu](http://www.stlcc.edu) or visit the campus Admissions/Registration office.

6) Visit the Financial Aid Office
   • Verify approval/finalize payments.
   • Check the status of your aid in Banner Self-Service at [www.stlcc.edu/selfservice](http://www.stlcc.edu/selfservice).

*Exceptions to the full-time requirement:
• A student whose documented disability requires that he/she take a reduced course load may be eligible to receive funding with less than full-time status under Title II requirements of the ADA; however, a minimum of six hours is mandatory. Approval of this accommodation will be made by the campus Access office.
• Students enrolled in all hours available for program during a given semester
• Students participating in a required internship
• Students enrolled in prerequisite coursework requiring less than full-time enrollment (applicable to limited programs)

Length of Eligibility

Eligibility expires on the earliest of:
• 48 months from high school graduation
  – Delayed or interrupted enrollment results in scholarship eligibility of less than 48 months
  – Students qualifying for a military deferment may have their eligibility extended beyond 48 months
• Receipt of an associate degree

Completion of 105 percent of the required hours for the student’s program of study
– All hours, including developmental/remedial hours, taken at STLCC or any other A+ eligible institution
– Hours taken at any non-eligible A+ institution that STLCC accepts in transfer

105 percent excludes:
– Hours earned for work completed before high school graduation (dual credit, dual enrollment, technical education articulation, advanced placement, international baccalaureate)
– Hours from a non-participating institution not accepted in transfer by STLCC
– Maximum hours (105 percent) are based on the student’s current program of study.
– Each program restarts maximum count.
  – If the student changes programs or institutions without completing program, hours from the previous program are included.
  – If student completes previous program and enrolls in a higher-level program, only transfer hours are included.

Exceptions to Eligibility
• Visiting students
  (Summer immediately following high school graduation may be reimbursable even if student attends a different type of institution in fall)
• Students enrolled in a course of study leading to a degree in theology or divinity
• Students having a criminal record preventing receipt of federal Title IV student financial aid
A+ funds will not cover courses from which a student withdraws or receives a grade of ‘I’ (incomplete) or ‘PR’ (progress re-enroll). A+ funds also will not cover repeat coursework.

To Continue A+ Funding You Must:
• Maintain a 2.5 cumulative GPA
• Remain enrolled as a full-time student
• Complete the FAFSA each year
• Visit the Financial Aid office each semester
• Use the benefits within 48 months of high school graduation