# FINANCIAL AID



Students can use Banner Self-Service to see a list of missing items that are preventing the Financial Aid Office from issuing a financial aid offer, find out how much aid has been offered, view adjustments to offers, and accept federal aid offers. Financial aid is not automatically applied to student accounts; students must complete the necessary steps to accept offers so that aid can be applied to accounts. CGTC is required to follow federal regulations when determining a financial aid offer and reserves the right to adjust an offer at any time.



#### How to Apply for Financial Aid

- 1: Create an FSA ID online at www.studentaid.gov/fsaid.
- 2: Complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at studentaid.gov (under Apply for Aid, click "Complete the FAFSA® Form") and answer ALL questions accurately (incorrect or missing information will delay the processing time of your financial aid). CGTC's school code is **005763**.
- 3: After you apply, you will receive a Student Aid Report (SAR) via email; review this and make sure that everything is correct. CGTC will also receive a copy and begin processing your financial aid (it can take up to five business days for CGTC to receive the information).
- 4: Check Banner Self-Service to see if you need to submit additional documentation in order for your offer to be processed. The Financial Aid Office cannot issue a financial aid offer until you have submitted all required documentation.
- 5: View your financial aid offer, accept terms and conditions, and accept your financial aid offer in Banner Self-Service.



#### Accept Terms and Conditions | View/Accept Your Financial Aid Offer

- 1: Go to www.centralgatech.edu and click Single Sign On at the top of the page.
- 2: Enter your Full Student Email Address (including the @student.centralgatech.edu part) in the Username box, type in your Password, then click the Sign In button.
- 3: Click on Banner Self Service.
- 4: Click Student Services >> Click Financial Aid >> Click My Award Information >> Click Award by Aid Year. (If you do not see one of these options, it could mean that your FAFSA has not been received at CGTC. Contact the Financial Aid Office for assistance.)
- 5: Select July 1, 2024 June 30, 2025 for Select Aid Year, then click the Submit button.
- **6:** Click each tab (General Information, Award Overview, etc.) and read the information on each page carefully.
- 7: In order for financial aid to be offered and applied to your account, you must:
  - Click the Terms and Conditions tab, then click the Accept button.
  - · Click the Accept Award Offer tab, select Accept in the Accept Award section for each type of financial aid that you would like to receive, and click the Submit Decision button. (Students are not required to accept the full amount offered; partial amounts can be accepted.)
  - If you accept a loan on the Accept Award Offer tab, you MUST complete entrance counseling and a Master Promissory Note (loan agreement) at www.studentloans.gov in order to receive your loan.



#### Other Important Information

- Almost every question about financial aid can be answered by reading the information at www.centralgatech.edu/financialaid (click the options under Financial Aid on the right).
- Students will be notified about their financial aid offer approximately 2-3 weeks after successfully submitting the FAFSA.
- Visit www.centralgatech.edu/financialaid/important-dates to be aware of important financial aid dates.
- You have to submit a new FAFSA once every year. The FAFSA typically opens in October of each year.
- Not every program is eligible for all types of financial aid and financial aid will only pay for classes that are required for your program of study as indicated in the CGTC Catalog (www.centralgatech.edu/catalog).
- You can lose your financial aid by dropping/withdrawing from classes, failing classes, and/or having an unusual enrollment history at multiple colleges. Check with your advisor and the Financial Aid Office before dropping/withdrawing from a class.
- If you intend to apply for student housing with The Lofts at Houston Central, please complete your aid packet by: July 31st for Fall 2024 | November 30th for Spring 2025 | April 30th for Summer 2025



#### **Contact Information**

#### **Financial Aid at CGTC**

CGTC's Financial Aid Office p: (478) 988-6800

f: (478) 757-3679

e: finaid@centralgatech.edu

#### Help filling out the FAFSA

Federal Student Aid (800) 433-3243 www.studentaid.gov

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## **IMPORTANT FINANCIAL AID DATES**

Your financial aid offer cannot be processed and applied to your student account until you complete all requirements. If you do not complete all requirements by the dates below, you may have to pay for classes and books out of pocket. CGTC is required to follow federal regulations when determining financial aid offers and may adjust your offer at any time. You can check the status of your financial aid, including missing requirements and adjustments, in Banner Self-Service.

### Applying for Financial Aid (includes Pell, HOPE, and loans)

If you plan to take classes at CGTC during:	submit the FAFSA for aid year:	online at:	before:	using income and tax information	and complete all requirements before:	
at CGTC during.				from tax year:	Pell/HOPE*	Loans^
Fall Semester   Full Semester 8/13/24 – 12/6/24	2024-2025	www.studentaid.gov	7/15/24	2022	8/1/24	8/21/24
Fall Semester   Mini-Mester Session 1 8/13/24 – 10/4/24	2024-2025	(under <b>FAFSA® Form</b> , click "Complete the	7/15/24	2022	8/1/24	8/1/24
Fall Semester   Mini-Mester Session 2 10/8/24 – 12/6/24	2024/-025	FAFSA® Form")	9/4/24	2022	10/1/24	10/20/23
Spring Semester   Full Semester 1/8/25 – 4/28/25	2024-2025	www.studentaid.gov	12/3/24	2022	12/16/24	12/16/24
Spring Semester   Mini-Mester Session 1 1/8/25 – 3/3/25	2024-2025	(under <b>FAFSA® Form</b> , click "Complete the	12/3/24	2022	12/16/24	12/16/24
Spring Semester   Mini-Mester Session 2 3/5/25 – 4/28/25	2024-2025	FAFSA® Form")	2/6/25	2022	2/21/25	2/21/25
Summer Semester   Full Semester 5/20/25 - 7/31/25	2024-2025	www.studentaid.gov	4/16/25	2022	4/25/25	4/25/25
Summer Semester   Mini-Mester 6/2/25 – 7/31/25	2024-2025	click "Complete the FAFSA® Form")	4/16/25	2022	4/25/25	4/25/25

<sup>\*</sup> Requirements may include submitting verification documents such as tax transcripts and a signed verification worksheet and accepting the Terms and Conditions in Banner Self-Service. Visit www.centralgatech.edu/financialaid for information on everything that can affect your financial aid.

<sup>^</sup> Loan requirements may include completing entrance counseling, completing a Master Promissory Note, and accepting the Terms and Conditions in Banner Self-Service.



#### Financial Aid Posting and Refunds<sup>+</sup>

If you are eligible to receive	your financial aid amount will show in Banner Self-Service on:				You can use Pell in	Additional Information:	
financial aid for:	HOPE	Pell	Loans (1st Round)	Loans (2nd Round)	the Bookstore from:	Financial Aid posting dates will vary per student based on processing schedules and receipt of documents required for finalizing a student's eligibility for aid.  If you do not see aid showing in your Banner Self-Service account by the posting date, your aid is either in queue for the next processing schedule or you have outstanding requirements that prevent the aid from posting.*  Please refer to your account in Financial Aid Forms or the Unsatisfied Disbursement Documents section in Banner Self-Service before contacting Financial Aid.  Refunds will be processed by the Business Office within 14 days from the date that posted financial aid creates a credit on your account.	
Fall Semester   Full Semester	8/5/24	8/29/24	8/29/24	10/3/24	8/7/24 - 8/23/24		
Fall Semester   Mini-Mester Session 1	8/5/24	8/29/24	8/29/24	9/12/24	8/7/24 - 8/23/24		
Fall Semester   Mini-Mester Session 2	10/24/24	10/24/24	10/24/24	11/7/24	10/4/24 - 10/11/2024		
Spring Semester   Full Semester	12/18/24	1/24/25	1/24/25	2/28/25	1/3/25 - 1/17/25		
Spring Semester   Mini-Mester Session 1	12/18/24	1/24/25	1/24/25	2/7/25	1/3/25 - 1/17/25		
Spring Semester   Mini-Mester Session 2	3/21/25	3/21/25	3/21/25	4/4/25	2/27/25 - 3/11/25		
Summer Semester   Full Semester	5/27/25	5/27/25	5/27/25	7/3/25	5/13/25 - 5/23/25		
Summer Semester   Mini-Mester	6/18/25	6/18/25	6/18/25	7/3/25	5/29/25 - 6/9/25		

<sup>+</sup> The posting of financial aid information in Banner Self-Service and issuing of refunds can be delayed due to your failure to submit required documentation and/or accept the Terms and Conditions in Banner Self-Service, technical issues (either for CGTC or the issuing agency), and non-availability of funds in the event of a federal or state government sequester or shutdown. Dates are also subject to change at any time at the discretion of CGTC's Office of Administrative Services.

After CGTC sends your refund to BankMobile, it can take up to 24 hours for BankMobile to post the funds to your OneAccount or other bank account. You can change your refund preferences with BankMobile online at **MyOneMoney.com**.