

# Financial Aid Apply NOW!

## STEP 1. Program Admission

Student must be admitted into an eligible Program by BTC Admissions to qualify for financial aid, contact Financial Resources office 360-752-8351.

## STEP 2. Student completes FAFSA at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

BTC School Code: 016227  
Need help completing the FAFSA? Call 1-800-433-3243  
(It takes BTC approximately 1 week to receive the student's FAFSA information.)

## STEP 3. BTC receives student's FAFSA information

Student is notified via email. Find the supplemental worksheets on the Portal. Processing will not continue until all requested elements are met.

## STEP 4. Review

After all elements are met and worksheets completed and returned, BTC is ready to review student's application.  
(Review process may take 6 to 8 weeks.)

## STEP 5. Awarding

The awarding phase takes approximately 3-4 weeks.  
This is the BTC Financial Aid Award process:

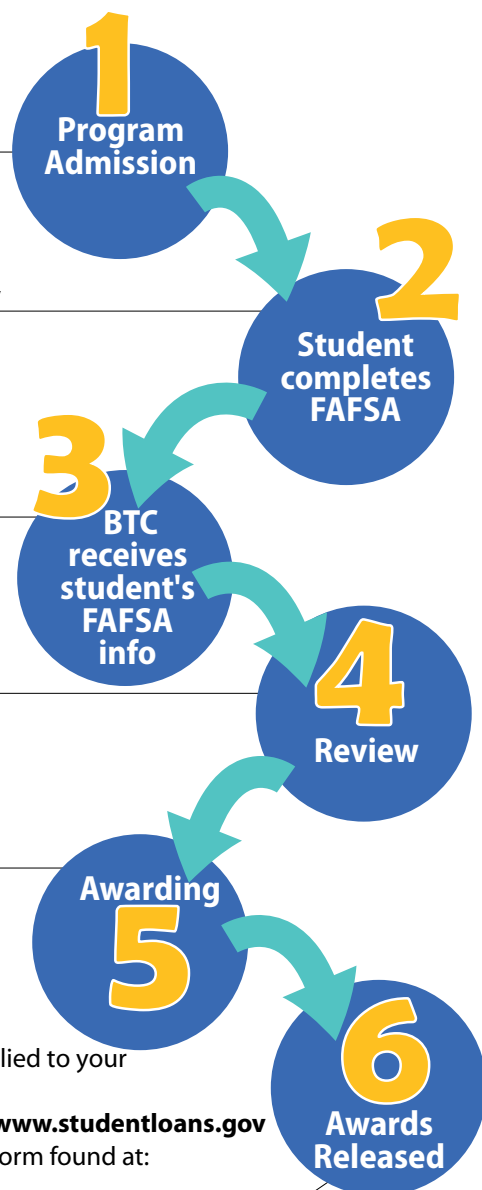
1. You will receive an email when you are awarded (keep your email current with financial aid)
2. Go to the Portal to see your financial aid awards
3. Grants, scholarships, and agency funds (BFET, DVR, etc) will be applied to your tuition and fees
4. If you want loans, complete the entrance counseling and MPN at [www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov)
5. To get your loans, fill out and return the BTC Direct Loan Request form found at:

<http://www.btc.ctc.edu/FinancialForms>

Loan funds will not be available until 30 days after the start of classes for the first quarter for new BTC students.

## STEP 6. Awards Released

Awards can be seen on the Portal at [www.btc.ctc.edu/financialaidportal](http://www.btc.ctc.edu/financialaidportal). Any awards remaining after tuition and fees are paid will be released to the student after the quarter has begun. Check the Portal to find out when your check is ready. Students will not be paid for credits outside of their program. Students must be enrolled in at least 6 program credits to be eligible for student loans.



### APPLICATION DEADLINES

To help you apply and receive funds in a timely manner, we recommend that students begin the application process at least two months prior to the below suggested deadline dates for best results. The Federal financial aid process is lengthy and can take two months or more to complete. Please fill out FAFSA and be prepared to submit other required information.

### Complete steps 1-6 of Financial aid process by:

Quarter:	Year:	
Winter	November 1	FAFSA for 2011/2012 school year
Spring	February 1	FAFSA for 2011/2012 school year
Summer	May 1	FAFSA for 2012/2013 school year