

The Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Sciences (SEAS) at Columbia University

Graduate Engineering Financial Aid Application 2009-2010

Instructions:

Prospective and continuing graduate students of The Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science must do the following to be considered for all forms of graduate financing (both departmentally administered and financial aid-administered funds):

- 1a. *Prospective Students*—**Apply for admission.** Complete an application for admission and submit it to The Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science's Office of Graduate Student Services;
- 1b. *Continuing Students*—**Preregister.** Preregister for classes during the preregistration period;
2. **File a FAFSA form.** Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form and submit it to the U.S. Department of Education (*only U.S. citizens or permanent residents must complete the FAFSA. If you are a noncitizen, you do not need to submit this form.*) You can file online at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>.
3. **File a TAP Application.** Complete an Express TAP application (ETA) and submit it to the New York State Higher Education Services Corporation (*only U.S. citizens or permanent residents who reside in New York State must complete the Express TAP application. If you are not a New York State resident, you do not need to submit this form.*) You will be given a link to the ETA when you complete your online FAFSA.
4. **File a Columbia "Application for Federal Aid and Private Loans".** Complete a Columbia "Application for Federal Aid and Private Loans" Form and submit it to the Office of Financial Aid and Educational Financing.

Deadlines:

Applicants for Summer and Fall 2009 Admission:

Admissions Application: due by December 15, 2008
FAFSA form: due by May 1, 2009 (*but cannot be filed before January 1, 2009*)
Enrollment Status Sheet: due by May 1, 2009

Note: Financial Engineering students should file both forms by May 1, 2009.

University-administered federal and state awards are not automatically renewed each year. Continuing graduate students must submit a Renewal FAFSA each year by the Columbia University deadline. Renewal depends on the annual reevaluation of your need, the availability of funds, and satisfactory progress toward the completion of your degree requirements.

Contact Information

For questions about institutional grants, fellowships, teaching and research assistantships, readerships, and preceptorships, contact:
your academic department.

For questions about on- or off-campus non-need-based employment, contact:

Center for Career Education (CCE)
East Campus, Lower Level
(212) 854-5609
www.cce.columbia.edu

For questions about student loans and New York State TAP grants contact:

Office of Financial Aid and Educational Financing
Columbia University
407 Lerner Hall, Mail Code 2802
New York, New York 10027

Phone: (212) 854-3711
Fax: (212) 854-8223

engradfinaid@columbia.edu
www.engineering.columbia.edu/graduate/financing

10. **10a. The departmental or outside awards that I will receive for the 2009-2010 academic year are (please check all that apply):**

- I will be a Graduate Research Assistant (GRA)
 I will be a Departmental Research Assistant (DRA)
 I will be a Teaching Assistant (TA)
 I know I am receiving departmental funding but am not sure of the nature of the funding.

10b. My departmental payment includes the following (please check all that apply):

(NOTE: GRA's and DRA's receive payment in the form of salary exclusively (and do not receive stipends from the university). Your salary does not affect your financial aid eligibility. TA's however receive payment partly via payroll in salary and partly as a stipend. Your stipend as a TA is a financial aid resource and therefore affects your eligibility for other financial aid sources. If you are a TA, you must accurately report your anticipated stipend payment.)

- My department will pay for _____ points per term in tuition.
 My department will pay for the university health services fee.
 My department will pay for the university insurance fee.
 My department will pay for a stipend of: \$ _____ per term for _____ terms.
 My department will pay me a salary of: \$ _____ per _____.

10c. The outside awards that I will receive for the 2009-2010 academic year are:

- \$ _____ Please identify the source of your award: _____
 \$ _____ Please identify the source of your award: _____

11. **I am interested in applying for the following financial aid sources:**

- Federal Student Loans & Private Loans
 Private Loans Only

12. **I completed my FAFSA form on:** ____/____/____ (please provide date).

- I will be completing my FAFSA shortly. I will not be completing a FAFSA since I am only interested in private loans.

13. **As a part-time student I will pay the optional health service fee:** Yes No
 I will be a full-time student.

14. **I plan to purchase the Columbia Health Insurance:** Yes No
(NOTE: You can waive Columbia Health Insurance only if you have other insurance.)

Enrollment Plans:

15. **Master Degree Candidates ONLY:**

My enrollment plans for the 2009-2010 Academic year are as follows:

Please write the number of credits you will take each term for the following terms:

Summer 2009 _____ Fall 2009 _____ Spring 2010 _____

(please continue on the next page)

16. Ph.D Degree Candidates ONLY:

My enrollment plans for the 2009-2010 Academic year are as follows:

In the boxes below, please circle your enrollment plans for each of the following terms.

For example, if you take a full-residence in the fall term and pay matriculation fees and facilities fees in the spring term (but will still be full-time student), then you would complete the boxes as follows:

Enrollment Category (Please check)	Summer 2009	Fall 2009	Spring 2010
Full Residence Unit	Not Enrolled	Full-time	
Paying Matriculation & Facilities Fees only	Not Enrolled		Full-time

In the boxes below, please circle your enrollment plans for each of the following terms.

Enrollment Category (Please check)	Summer 2009	Fall 2009	Spring 2010
Full Residence Unit	Full-time	Full-time	Full-time
	Not Enrolled	Not Enrolled	Not Enrolled
Half Residence Unit	Half-time	Half-time	Half-time
	Not Enrolled	Not Enrolled	Not Enrolled
Extended Residence	Full-time	Full-time	Full-time
	Half-time	Half-time	Half-time
	Less-than Half-Time	Less-than Half-Time	Less-than Half-Time
	Not Enrolled	Not Enrolled	Not Enrolled
Paying Matriculation & Facilities Fees only	Full-time	Full-time	Full-time
	Half-time	Half-time	Half-time
	Less-than Half-Time	Less-than Half-Time	Less-than Half-Time
	Not Enrolled	Not Enrolled	Not Enrolled

Changes in My Funding:

I will notify the financial aid office of any departmental or other funds (including outside scholarships, employer tuition remission, and educational loan funds) that I am or will be receiving that are not already reported on this form. Should I receive other sources of funding, I understand that my financial aid may decrease.

Changes in My Enrollment Plans:

I will notify the financial aid office of any change in my enrollment plans from the credits or units estimated on this form. Should I enroll in fewer credits than I initially reported, I understand that my financial aid may be decreased.

All of the information on this form is complete and true to the best of my knowledge.

Student Signature _____

Date _____

CU Personal ID or SSN: _____