Financial aid eligibility criteria
To receive financial aid, you must be a regular student in an eligible program at Wayne State University and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). A regular student is one who is enrolled or accepted for enrollment at the University for the purpose of obtaining a degree or certificate. An eligible academic program leads to a degree or certificate. Note: Not all certificates are eligible for federal student aid. A list of financial aid eligible certificates is on the Office of Student Financial Aid website at wayne.edu/financial-aid/applying/certificate.

Financial aid eligibility exception
An exception to the eligible program requirement is enrollment in courses that are prerequisite requirements for full admission to an undergraduate, graduate, or professional program. For the Office of Student Financial Aid to determine if you qualify for this exception, you must submit the Prerequisite Coursework Aid Request Form, which includes a plan of work. The form (1) must be signed by an advisor in the program for which you will enroll after prerequisites are completed, and (2) it must indicate the courses required for full admission to the program.

Note: We will only provide aid for students entering programs at WSU.

NOTICE: Your advisor must certify that you will be eligible to be admitted to the program upon successful completion of the required prerequisite courses. You will not be eligible for financial aid if you will not be enrolled in the new program.

CAUTION: Courses taken for the sole purpose of raising your grade point average or to correct an educational deficiency, courses that are not required prerequisites for enrollment in an eligible program; and courses taken for professional recognition or advancement or that Wayne State University recommends do not qualify for financial aid. You must enroll only in courses that are required for admission and enrollment in an undergraduate, graduate, or professional academic program.

Do not assume you will receive financial aid. A Financial Aid Officer must review your forms and enrollment status to confirm your aid eligibility.

Loan limitations
Undergraduate annual and aggregate loan limits as well as lifetime loan limits apply to post-bachelor students. You must be enrolled at least half-time (6 credits) to be eligible for federal student loans.

The level of the program for which you are completing prerequisites determines whether first-year or fifth-year undergraduate loan limits apply.

Preparatory coursework for admission to an undergraduate program –
- Dependent students: $2,625
- Independent students: $8,625

Preparatory coursework for admission to a graduate program –
- Dependent students: $5,500
- Independent students: $12,500

All loans borrowed at the undergraduate level are included in calculating your eligibility. Review your loan history at studentaid.gov.
- Dependent Students - $31,000, of which no more than $23,000 can be subsidized loans
- Independent Students - $57,500, of which no more than $23,000 can be subsidized loans

Time limit
Loans—Federal Direct Loan or Federal Parent PLUS Loan—are limited to one consecutive 12-month period, i.e., three consecutive semesters: fall, winter, and summer; OR winter, summer, and fall; OR summer, fall, and winter. Federal financial aid regulations do not allow exceptions.
2022-23 Prerequisite Coursework Aid Request Form

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete this form to request determination of your eligibility for Federal Direct Loans if your admission status is post-bachelor and you are taking prerequisite coursework required for full admission to an eligible program. Please schedule an appointment with an advisor to discuss this form and your academic plans.

Completing this form does not guarantee loan eligibility. You are responsible for all University charges.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Initial each line to indicate you have read and understand the requirement.

- For a plan of work that extends beyond the current academic year, you must complete this form each academic year. You are responsible for notifying us of changes to the original plan.
- You must complete the 2022-23 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- You must be enrolled at least half-time to be eligible for federal student loans. Your maximum loan eligibility may be less than the cost of tuition and fees.
- You must enroll only in courses that are required for admission and enrollment in an aid eligible undergraduate, graduate, or professional program.
- Courses taken for the sole purpose of raising your grade point average or to correct an educational deficiency, courses that are not required prerequisites for enrollment in an eligible program, and courses taken for professional recognition or advancement or that Wayne State University recommends do not qualify for a loan.
- Your courses must be documented as specifically required for all students seeking admission to the program.

Prerequisite Program and Plan of Work

*You must obtain the signature of an advisor in the program in which you will enroll after prerequisites are complete*

WSU Program: ____________________________ We will only provide aid for students entering programs at WSU.

Choose ONLY ONE: ☐ Graduate Degree, OR ☐ Undergraduate Degree, OR ☐ Teacher Certification Program, OR ☐ Eligible Certificate Program

Semester 1 Courses (e.g., ENG 3100) Semester 2 Courses Semester 3 Courses

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Have these courses been previously attempted? _____ Yes _____ No

How many semesters of prerequisites are anticipated: _____________ New program begin date: ____________________________

The student named above will enroll in the courses listed, all of which are specifically required prerequisites for all students seeking admission to the eligible program indicated according to program documentation.

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Advisor’s Signature Title Date

__________________________ Phone # Email
Advisor’s Name

__________________________ (Signature must be handwritten with ink or stylus) Date
Student’s Signature

8/2022