

# Federal Financial Aid Eligibility

Listed below are certain eligibility requirements a student must meet to qualify for most financial aid programs at Shear Finesse Hairstyling Academy. Additional qualifications may apply

**High school diploma or equivalency:** Beginning July 1, 2012 only those students with a high school diploma, GED, or completion of an approved home-school program will be eligible for financial aid. ALL REQUIRED TRANSCRIPTS, FROM ALL PREVIOUSLY ATTENDED INSTITUTIONS MUST BE OFFICIAL AND RECORDED WITH THE ADMISSIONS AND RECORDS OFFICE.

1. **Enrolled in an eligible program:** A student enrolling at Shear Finesse Hairstyling Academy must be enrolled at least half time, seeking an eligible certificate program.
2. **Enrollment status:** Shear Finesse Hairstyling Academy's financial aid is awarded assuming half or full-time enrollment status. At Shear Finesse full-time is defined as being enrolled 32 clock hours a week and part-time enrollment is 24 clock hours a week. A student must be enrolled a program 600 clock hours or longer to be eligible for federal financial aid at Shear Finesse Hairstyling Academy.
3. **Citizenship:** A recipient of federal and state student aid must be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or other eligible non-citizen. Students who fail the Social Security match for citizenship or the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) match for permanent resident or otherwise eligible status, must resolve the discrepancy with proper documentation before the Financial Aid office can develop and award a financial aid award package. Reference the [Federal Student Guide](#) for further information.
4. **National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS) Financial Aid History:** A student's federal student loan and Pell Grant history are kept in the NSLDS database. If a student is in default on a federal student loan, has exceeded the annual or aggregate federal student loan limits, or has a federal grant overpayment, the student is ineligible for federal and state aid.
5. **Social Security Administration:** If a student's application fails the Social Security match for the student, his/her father and/or mother, the Financial Aid Office resolves the discrepancy before awarding financial aid. The student's and/or father's and/or mother's social security card and birth certificate may be required. [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov)
6. **Selective Service Administration:** Most males from age 18 through 25--including permanent residents and other eligible non-citizens--are required to register with Selective Service. Anyone required to register must have done so in order to receive aid through the federal and state financial aid programs. If a student's application fails the Selective Service match, the Financial Aid Office resolves the discrepancy before awarding financial aid. [www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov)
7. **Drug conviction:** A student's response to the FAFSA drug conviction question may result in ineligibility for federal financial aid. When a student is ineligible at the beginning of his/her enrollment but expects to become eligible during the year, the Financial Aid Office will have the student complete and sign a Drug Conviction

Worksheet for Question 23 on the FAFSA that determines the date the student will become eligible, please contact the school for further information. 904-764-6474

8. **Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP):** In order to continue to receive financial aid from one evaluation period to another, students must meet Shear Finesse Hairstyling Academy Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standard requirements. The SAP policy for receiving aid is defined and enforced according to federal and state regulations governing the awarding of federal and state financial aid. For a more complete description of policy and procedures please see Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy.

Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy

9. **Verification:** Any student receiving financial aid must comply with all reasonable requests for documents to verify the information reported on his/her application for aid, e.g., family's income, assets, household size, number in college and/or the dependent/independent status of the student, that may be needed by the school, the Department of Education, and/or any state financial aid agency. No financial aid shall be credited to a student's account until the verification process is complete. (Please see the school's verification policy below)

Shear Finesse Hairstyling Academy Verification Policy

10. **Financial Aid from other sources:** It is the student's responsibility to inform the Financial Aid Office of all additional monetary aid that he/she will receive for an academic year that does not appear on his/her Financial Aid Award letter. Aid received from private sources outside of Shear Finesse Hairstyling Academy is required by federal and state regulations to be incorporated into the total financial aid package.
11. **Change of Address or Social Security Number:** It is the student's responsibility to inform the school (Admissions and Records Office) of any change to his or her permanent address or social security number. A student who borrows through one of the federal student loan programs - Stafford Loan (subsidized and unsubsidized) or PLUS -- is required to notify the lender of any change to his or her name, address, or social security number.
12. **Deadlines:** Complete and submit required forms and applications by deadlines.  
**CONTACT SCHOOL FOR CURRENT YEAR DEADLINE**