

Financial Aid Newsletter Fall 2017

Your guide to the latest updates, information, and deadlines

Office hours are Monday – Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. and Fridays: 10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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Meeting financial obligations associated with college costs can be challenging. The Financial Aid Office is available to assist you and we hope that this newsletter will provide you with some helpful information. If you have questions or concerns, please stop by our office and meet with our staff—no appointments necessary.

WHAT'S NEW?

Did you know that you can complete the 2018-2019 FAFSA right now? The new FAFSA will use your 2016 income tax information. You can use the IRS Data Retrieval tool, this automatically import your tax information into your FAFSA. Don't wait. Submit your 2018-2019 FAFSA today at www.fafsa.ed.gov The Priority Deadline of March 1, 2018. The FAFSA is "FREE"! *NEVER PAY TO FILE THE FAFSA!*

FACEBOOK

Keep current on outside scholarship opportunities, events, and announcements. Like us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/ArtCenterFinancialAid/>

DO YOU OWE A BALANCE ON YOUR STUDENT ACCOUNT?

Have you checked your Account Statement lately? Don't wait to be surprised! If you owe a balance you will not be able to sign up for classes when Registration for Spring 2018 begins. Check your Account Statement today on <https://inside.artcenter.edu>. If you plan to borrow a loan to cover the remainder of balance owed, please remember loans take several weeks to process. Find out more about loans at <https://inside.artcenter.edu/go/fa>

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I WITHDRAW FROM A CLASS?

We are often asked, "Is my financial aid affected when I drop a course?" Yes, dropping courses after the add/drop deadline can affect your financial aid eligibility. When you withdraw from a class after the add drop deadline, your tuition and your financial aid may be prorated. This means you could end up owing more money to the school than you anticipated, so be sure to plan ahead! It may also affect your SAP.

GOT SAP?

The Financial Aid Office is required by federal law to monitor the academic progress of **federal financial aid** recipients. Federal Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) is measured at the end of each semester. Students not meeting SAP standards are provided one semester on warning to elevate their GPA and units completed up to the standard. Undergraduate students must maintain at least a 2.50 GPA and complete at least 67% of the units they attempt in order to remain eligible for federal student aid. Graduate students must maintain at least a 3.00 GPA and complete at least 67% of the units they attempt. If students do not meet the standard, financial aid eligibility is suspended, but some students may be able to appeal. Learn more about SAP requirements at inside.artcenter.edu/go/fa

OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

Outside scholarships can be a good source to help fund your education. You can visit our ArtCenter Inside page at <http://inside.artcenter.edu/go/outsidescholarship> for information on criteria and deadlines, and follow us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/ArtCenterFinancialAid/> for updates on new outside scholarships.

Mabel Wilson Richards Scholarship Fund

1. Open to young women attending ArtCenter
2. Must reside in one of the cities listed on the Application
3. Demonstrates financial need at ArtCenter for the current academic year
4. Must be a Resident or Citizen of the United States
5. Demonstrates high moral character and good citizenship
6. Must have a 3.0 Cumulative GPA or higher

See application for more details. You can pick up an application from the Financial Aid Office or download from Inside.ArtCenter

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FINANCIAL LITERACY SERVICE FOR ARTCENTER STUDENTS

Need help managing your budget or bills? ArtCenter provides a service for students free of charge to help you make smart decisions today that will help you in the future. Visit Access Ready and create an account today at: <https://gradready.com/gradready/sponsor/artcenter>

GRADUATING STUDENTS

Federal loan borrowers must complete **mandatory Federal Loan Exit Counseling** at <https://studentloans.gov>. You will learn about loan repayment options, loan consolidation, and more.

MONEY SAVING TIPS

Find ideas about how to manage a budget, pay for college, or plan for the future using GradReady, a resource available to ArtCenter students: <https://gradready.com/gradready/sponsor/artcenter>

SCHOLARSHIP REVIEW TIME IS HERE

Students who would like to be considered for the scholarship review process must have a 3.0 cumulative GPA and meet the department deadline listed below. Domestic students must also have a FAFSA on file and demonstrate need. International students are eligible to participate and are not required to file a FAFSA. Find out more about the requirements and process at: <https://inside.artcenter.edu/go/fa>

FALL 2017 CONTINUING SCHOLARSHIP PORTFOLIO REVIEWS

Department	Contact	Phone #	Date & Location
Advertising	John Vazquez	626.396.2345	WEEK 9 Tuesday, November 7 th Contact Department for further information.
Entertainment Design	Maritza Herrera	626.396.2464	WEEK 12 Deadline to submit student work for review is Monday November 27 th . The review will take place Thursday November 30 th .
Environmental Design	Sylviose K. Dossous	626.396.2495 626.396.2223	WEEK 9 Tuesday, November 7 th Portfolios are due to ENV Coordinator Carrie Hanssen by 12:00PM. Her office is located on the bridge.
Film	Nijo Watanabe Michael Subjack	626.396.4226 626.396.2354	WEEK 8 To take place in Ross LaManna's Office. Contact Department for further information.
Fine Art	Mitchell Kane	626.396.2480	WEEK 8 Monday, Oct. 30 th 8AM thru Friday Nov. 3 rd 4PM Held in each student's studio in the 870 building. Students without studios can request a space for the review by contacting Mitchell Kane in the Fine Art Office at 870.
Graphic Design	Steve Kim Danielle Ferrer	626.396.2443	WEEK 9 Wednesday, November 8 th Location: The east-facing side of 2 nd floor at 1111 building.
Illustration	Mayte Delgado	626.396.2366	WEEK 8 Wednesday, November 1 st Location: 870 Installation Gallery Area 2 nd Floor Portfolio Drop-Off 8:30AM – 10AM Contact: Mayte.Delgado@ArtCenter.edu All information is sent to students via email.
Interaction Design	Danielle Ferrer	626.396.2443	WEEK 9 Thursday, November 9 th Contact Danielle for further information.
Photography and Imaging	Jeanette Stramat Ray de Mesa	626.396.2368	WEEK 8 Tuesday, October 31 st Portfolios due in the Photo Office before 2:00PM
Product Design	Carolline Kim	626.396.4355	WEEK 10 Thursday November 16 th Room 224 (Hillside)
Transportation Design	Mitch Wyzgowski	626.396.2344	WEEK 9 Monday, November 6 th Hyundai and Kia Innovation Lab (ELL-225) Portfolio drop off: 8:30AM – 9:30AM