Financial Aid

CatLink — **CATAWBA** COMMUNITY PORTAL

STUDENT Quick Reference Guide   Need help? Call **Financial Aid** at 704-637-4416 or send email or text to finaid@catawba.edu

1 Login to **CatLink**: Open a web browser, go to www.catawba.edu, click **Cat-U**, enter Catawba username and password*
*If you are unable to login to **CatLink**, contact the IT Help Desk at helpdesk.catawba.edu or call (704) 637-4666*

2 Click the **Money** tab

Academics | **Money** | Life | Services

3 In the **Financial Aid** channel, click **Financial Aid Status**

FINANCIAL AID
- Financial Aid Status
- E-Mail Catawba's Financial Aid Office
  FinAid@Catawba.edu
- General Financial Aid Information

4 Click drop-down and **Select Aid Year**, then click **Submit**

Aid Year

Some financial aid information is determined by Aid Ye

Select Aid Year: Not Applicable/No Value Found
Submit
RELEASE: 8.15

Not Applicable/No Value Found
Financial Aid Year 2020—2021
Financial Aid Year 2019—2020
Financial Aid Year 2018—2019
Financial Aid Year 2017—2018
Financial Aid Year 2016—2017
Financial Aid Year 2015—2016

Review Resources/Additional Information & Agree to Terms and Conditions

5 On the **Financial Aid Status** page, click the "You have been awarded financial aid…" link

Financial Aid Status for Financial Aid Year 2020—2021

This is a summary of your financial aid information for the specified aid year. To obtain greater detail about any of the following summary statements, select the corresponding link.

You have unsatisfied student requirements for this aid year.
You have been awarded financial aid which totals $ 13,000.00
Based on your academic transcript, the status of your academic progress is Not yet reviewed as of Fall 2020.
View your financial aid history.

6 Make sure to review any special messages noted on the **General Information** tab, then click the **Resources/Additional Information** tab

*Notice that the **Accept Awards Offer** tab is currently greyed out—*

*You will not be able to accept any awards until you process information on the **Resources/Additional Information** and **Terms and Conditions** tabs*

Award Package for Financial Aid Year 2020 — 2021

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Student Authorization to Pay Non-Qualifying Charges
Authorization for federal student aid funds to be allowed to pay for non-qualifying charges such as parking tickets, parking perm

Please contact your financial aid office if you have questions.

7 Read **Authorization for federal student aid…** section, click drop-down at right and choose **Authorize** or **Do Not Authorize**

Authorization for federal student aid funds to be allowed to pay for non-qualifying charges such as parking tickets, parking permits, student health insurance, etc.

Federal Regulations require Catawba College to apply Title IV funds to qualifying charges only, such as: tuition/room/board, student fees, books, or other school supplies billed by the College.

None
- None
- Authorize
- Do Not Authorize

8 Read **Privacy of Educational Records…** section; to give access to someone else, click in text box at right and provide information*

Privacy of Educational Records and Access to Financial Aid Information

Once a student reaches 18 years of age or attends a postsecondary institution, he [...] nt," and all rights formerly given to parents/guardians under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) transfer to the student. FERPA prohibits Catawba College from releasing a student's financial aid records to anyone without the student's written consent, regardless of the student's age or who is paying the student's bills. While we enjoy the opportunity to assist your parents/guardians, we cannot discuss your financial aid without your permission.

Read "Privacy…" section for example(s) of what is needed here

If you want to change your permissions after you submit this initially, you MUST come to the Financial Aid Office to fill out an official form and will be required to show a valid, non-expired, government ID.

9 Click **Submit Information** when finished

Submit Information

*Click **Return to menu** at top of screen after submitting information to return to tab menu*

10 From the tab menu, click **Terms and Conditions**. Read the **Terms and Conditions** and any **Award Messages**, then click the **Accept** button at bottom of page.

NOTE: Accepting the Awards **Terms and Conditions** only accepts any scholarships/grants that you may have been awarded, NOT student loans and/or work.

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Terms and Conditions

Estimated Financial Aid
I understand that my award may be 'ESTIMATED' due to a variety of issues that I will need to resolve before my financial aid can be disbursed. I will monitor my outstanding requirements and submit the necessary documentation as soon as possible. I understand that if I fail to complete the financial aid process by the priority deadline that my financial aid eligibility may be affected or that I may not be eligible for a variety of funds that I may have received in previous years. If I am selected for Verification, I understand that I will need to provide the Financial Aid Office a variety of documents to validate the information I submitted on my Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). I understand that if the information submitted on my FAFSA is different than my verification information, it will/may change my financial aid award based on new information.

determined by Federal Regulations.

Federal Perkins Loan The Federal Perkins Loan is a low-interest (5 percent) loan for students with exceptional financial need as demonstrated by the FAFSA. New borrowers will be required to attend an entrance counseling session within the first month of class and sign a Master Promissory Note.

Presidential Scholarship In order to retain the Presidential Scholarship, you must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 and be enrolled full-time, which is 12 credit hours per semester as a Catawba student. The Presidential Scholarship also contains a $1000 - $2000 housing compenent for boarding students. Your grant is subject to reduction if you move off-campus.

Accept | Do Not Accept

You must agree to accept the terms of your awards in order to continue through the online process

Accept Awards

11 Click the **Accept Award Offer** tab to view your financial aid awards.

Click **Select Decision** at right of outstanding awards and **Accept** or **Decline** award; if you choose to accept a reduced award amount, enter amount in the **Accept Partial Amount** column.

Click the **Submit Decision** button after you have reviewed all awards.

Note: All awards must be accepted/declined/partial amount accepted — do NOT leave any awards with 'Select Decision' status.

Any awards left as 'Select Decision' will prevent ALL financial aid from being disbursed.

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Options for Accept Award Offers include:
1. Choose Decline or Accept for each fund.
2. Accept a partial amount by selecting Accept and entering the amount in the Accept Partial Amount field.

Award Decision

Fund	Status	Term	Amount	Accept Award	Accept Partial Amount
Campus Employment	Initial Offered	Fall 2020	$500.00		
	Initial Offered	Spring 2021	$500.00		
		Fund Total:	$1,000.00	Select Decision / Accept / Decline	500
Presidential Scholarship	Accepted	Fall 2020	$6,500.00		
	Accepted	Spring 2021	$6,500.00		
		Fund Total:	$13,000.00		

Enter Partial Amount in box

To return to Financial Aid Status from the Accept Award Offer tab, scroll to bottom of screen and click Overall Financial Aid Status

Submit Decision

View or download Outstanding Requirements

12 On the **Financial Aid Status** page, click the "You have unsatisfied student requirements…" link.

Clickable links — click titles with blue text to open required forms or take you to websites where you may complete the requirement. Notice that a list of **Satisfied Requirements** is displayed at bottom of screen, as well as the option to **Select Another Aid Year**.

Eligibility Requirements for Financial Aid Year 2020 — 2021

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Student Requirements	Academic Progress

Unsatisfied Requirements

Requirement	Status	As of Date	Fund	Term
Copy of Picture ID				
See instructions for this on your I-9 Form, Section 2. Please provide your picture ID	Requested	Nov 03, 2019	Campus Employment	
Free Application for Federal Student Aid		Requested	Nov 10, 2019	
If you wish to be considered for federal student aid for the upcoming academic yea				
I-9 Form		Requested	Nov 03, 2019	Campus Employment
All students participating in Federal Work Study or Campus Employment programs m documentation required in Section 2, please be prepared to provide your original do Number or Form I-94 Admission Number.	and USCIS			
NC-4 and W-4 Forms		Requested	Nov 03, 2019	Campus Employment
Complete and sign both the NC-4 and W-4 tax forms.				
Social Security Card		Requested	Nov 03, 2019	Campus Employment
For Federal Work Study or Campus Employment payroll purposes, please provide yo				
Student Authorization to pay Non-Qualifying Charges		Requested	Nov 04, 2019	
Your authorization is needed in order for federal student aid funds to be allowed to				
Work Study Application		Requested	Nov 03, 2019	Campus Employment
Please complete the work study application. We must have this prior to your employ				

The Requirements link enables you to download the form necessary to complete the specific requirement or transfers you to another page to satisfy the requirement.

Satisfied Requirements

Requirement	Status	As of Date	Fund	Term
Admission to eligible academic program	Satisfied	Oct 10, 2019		
Terms and Conditions	Satisfied	Oct 31, 2019		

Select Another Aid Year

PLEASE NOTE: Acceptance of your awards does not indicate a commitment to attend Catawba College!