



Elizabethtown College

# Need-Based Financial Aid

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

2012-2013





# a great value for a private education



## Cost Before Financial Aid YEAR 2011-2012

Tuition and Fees	\$34,830
Room and Board	\$8,800
	<b>\$43,630</b>

Elizabethtown College's comprehensive scholarship and need-based financial aid programs enable students from varied economic backgrounds to afford a quality private education. Through a combination of scholarships, grants, loans, campus employment and family preparedness, students find the financial means to attend. In fact, with the College's participation in various Federal and State grant programs, combined with our institutional grants, the **overwhelming majority of students do not pay the full price of a college education.**

### AFFORDABILITY

More than **90%** of our students receive some form of financial aid to reduce the cost of tuition.

### OUTCOMES

**95%** of Elizabethtown College graduates on average are employed or in graduate school within eight months of graduation.

### SATISFACTION

**93%** of Elizabethtown alumni agree that "my E-town experience was money well spent."

## Personal Attention and Consistency

The Financial Aid Office attempts to establish a close relationship with each of our families.

- » We ensure that a fair and reliable financial aid package is offered to you from the beginning of the process. Verifying the accuracy of your financial aid application allows us to develop an in-depth understanding of your family's particular circumstances.
- » Each financial aid package will be personally prepared by one of our directors.
- » As you reapply each year, our office will work with you to renew your financial aid.
- » The same director will remain with you throughout your years at Elizabethtown College.
- » Financial Aid counselors are available to meet with you one on one.

# Step-by-Step Instructions to Apply for **Financial Aid**



## Access Your Financial Aid Online

You will have the ability to complete your Elizabethtown College Need-Based Financial Aid Application and access other important personal financial aid data via a secure Internet connection on our website! Beginning February 1, visit: [www.etown.edu/finaid](http://www.etown.edu/finaid) and click "Access your Financial Aid".

Your Elizabethtown College Student ID is listed in the cover letter that came with these instructions.

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**Complete** the 2012–2013 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) prior to March 15. Elizabethtown College's Federal School Code is 003262. (If you wish to file a paper FAFSA, a copy can be obtained by calling 1-800-4FEDAID.)

Apply online at: [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov). Completing the FAFSA online is much more efficient and timely than completing a paper FAFSA.

Before using FAFSA online, apply for a Personal Identification Number (PIN) at [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov).

- » The Federal PIN will serve as your electronic signature.
- » Parents and students should each have their own Federal PIN. Only one parent needs a Federal PIN.
- » If at least one parent and the student each have a Federal PIN, a FAFSA on the Web Signature Page does not have to be mailed to the Federal government.
- » You do not need a Federal PIN to use FAFSA on the Web, but having one will speed the process.

We recommend that you wait to file the FAFSA until you have completed at least a draft of your 2011 Federal income tax forms. The FAFSA website offers a "FAFSA on the Web Worksheet" which you can print and use to prepare your information for completing the application on the Web.

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**Complete** the Elizabethtown College Need-Based Financial Aid Application via a secure Internet connection on our website. Beginning February 1, go to [www.etown.edu/finaid](http://www.etown.edu/finaid) and click "Access your Financial Aid".

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**Photocopy** parents' and student's 2011 Federal income tax returns (including all schedules and parent W-2 forms). Sign and date the copies and mail them to Elizabethtown College no later than **March 15**.

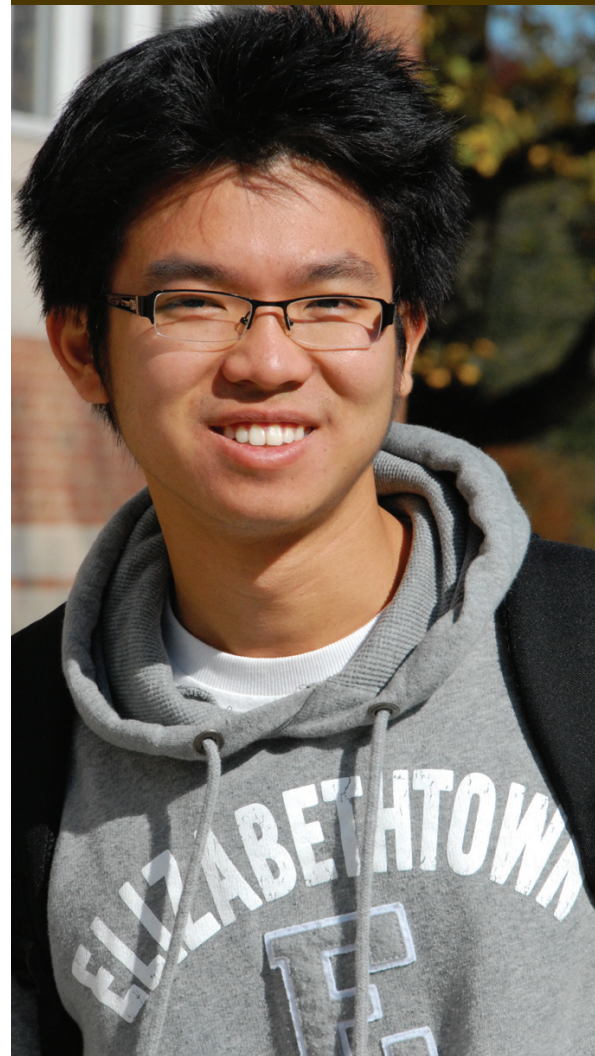
Note: If a Federal tax return is not filed for the student, that information will be reported on the Elizabethtown College Need-Based Financial Aid Application. If a parent also is a nonfiler, contact the Financial Aid Office.

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**Mail** all tax returns and parent W-2 forms to:

Elizabethtown College  
Financial Aid Office  
One Alpha Drive  
Elizabethtown, PA 17022-2298

**The Financial Aid Office will process applications and mail award letters beginning in March.**





## Elizabethtown College Financial Aid Office

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financial aid should be directed to:

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Financial Aid Office  
One Alpha Drive  
Elizabethtown, PA 17022-2298

**Phone:** 717-361-1404

**Website:** [www.etown.edu](http://www.etown.edu)

**Email:** [finaid@etown.edu](mailto:finaid@etown.edu)

**Office Hours:** 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### Office Staff

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### Additional Resources

Federal Student Aid Information Center  
1-800-433-3243

Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance  
Agency 1-800-692-7392

### Scholarship Search Websites

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

[www.finaid.com](http://www.finaid.com)



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