

LIFE CIRCUMSTANCE ADMISSIONS

Smart & AFFORDABLE



A SMART Investment

A Centenary education is a smart investment in your personal growth and ongoing success. The career outcomes our students achieve pay dividends for a lifetime. But what will it actually cost—and how will you pay for it? Those are good questions. This guide provides some helpful answers.

Last year alone, Centenary awarded approximately \$20 million in scholarships, grants, and awards to students like you. In fact, our customized tuition cost is based on what we like to call, “Life Circumstance Admissions,” because the reality is, everyone has something going on in their life! 100% of Centenary students receive some form of financial aid. For many families, the out-of-pocket cost for a quality, private education at Centenary University is about the same as a state school.

Admission Scholarships and Awards

In an effort to reward outstanding academic achievement, Centenary has established a variety of scholarships and awards to recognize our incoming students. Although many Centenary students demonstrate financial need, these awards are based solely on academic achievement and promise, resulting in excellent scholarship. All students who apply for admission to Centenary University are considered for these awards no matter what state or country they are coming from.

Admissions Awards Are Renewable

Students remain eligible for their Admission Scholarships and Awards as long as they maintain continuous full-time enrollment and meet the minimum standards for satisfactory academic progress. Students will need to complete the FAFSA each year to be eligible for grants.



MORE AFFORDABLE

Than You Think

PRIVATE SCHOOL QUALITY, STATE SCHOOL PRICE

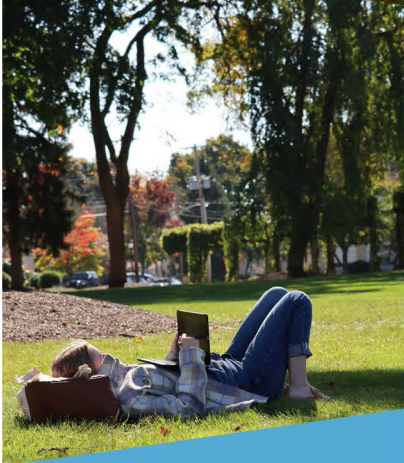
For many families the average cost to attend Centenary University is about the same as a state school —

SOMETIMES EVEN LESS.

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FAMILIES JUST LIKE YOURS ARE ABLE TO AFFORD A QUALITY, PRIVATE EDUCATION AT CENTENARY

Many of our Centenary University students have family incomes less than \$50,000 per year. It's more affordable than you may realize.



Centenary distributes more than \$20 million in grants and scholarships to our students every year.

100%
**OF INCOMING
FRESHMEN**

RECEIVE A GRANT AND/OR
SCHOLARSHIP WITH AN
AVERAGE AWARD OVER

\$28,000

O V E R
95%
**OF TRANSFER
STUDENTS**

RECEIVE A GRANT AND/OR
SCHOLARSHIP WITH AN
AVERAGE AWARD OVER

\$20,000

Financial Aid

STEP-BY-STEP

The financial aid process isn't exactly the same for everyone, but everyone must follow the same basic steps described here.

1. Apply for Financial Aid

Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at centu.org/studentaid. Complete your FAFSA as soon as possible after October 1. Your eligibility for all federal, state, and Centenary grants as well as federal loans will be determined once you have been admitted and your FAFSA has been received.

Keep in mind...

- If **YOU LIVE IN NEW JERSEY**, click the link on the Confirmation page of your FAFSA complete additional information to expedite state grant processing.
- If you are not interested in federal loans, state grants, or need-based grants, please let us know immediately so we can process your financial aid quickly.

Non-Centenary Scholarships

There are countless sources of student aid but you have to find some of them. Whenever we learn about scholarship opportunities, we post them at centu.org/scholarships. Check in regularly for updates.

Veteran's Benefits and Discounts: **CENTENARY IS A YELLOW RIBBON PROGRAM SCHOOL**

If you're a veteran, thank you for your service. Visit centu.org/veteran-services & contact the Director of Veteran's Services at (908) 852-1400, ext. 2318.

2. Submit Requested Information

Occasionally additional information is needed. Please provide any requested documents as soon as possible. Keep copies of what you submit.

3. Review Your Award

Your award notice will explain what financial aid is available to you and outline your estimated costs for the upcoming year.

4. Make Payment

Financial aid may not cover all of your costs. To cover any remaining balance, you may need to consider other financing options:

- Interest-free monthly payment plan: centu.org/payment-plans
- Parent PLUS Loan and Private Loans: centu.org/parent-plus

Financial Aid DO'S & DON'TS

Do Fill Out That FAFSA

You **MUST** complete a FAFSA to access federal government loans and grants and Centenary grants. Take advantage of the IRS Data Retrieval Tool. It allows you to access the IRS information needed to complete the FAFSA. It also allows you to transfer tax return data directly into your online FAFSA application. The sooner you complete it, the better your chances of receiving aid.

Don't Delay

Many people are applying at the same time for the same finite resources. If you wait too long, grants and scholarships may be gone for the year.

Do Keep a Calendar

Note deadlines for submitting scholarship, grant, and financial aid applications.

Don't Assume

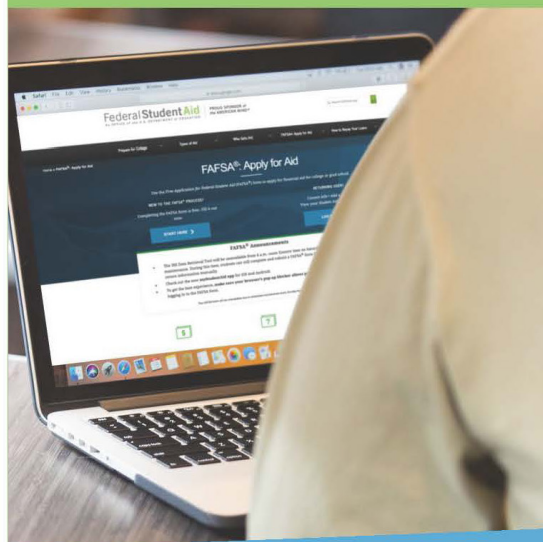
Confirm that applications and supporting documents you sent (to Centenary or anywhere else you're applying for aid) were received.

Do Be Consistent

When filling out various documents, use the same name, address, financial figures, etc. Discrepancies raise questions and that slows the process.

We're Here to Help

The staff in our Financial Aid Office works with you personally to make a Centenary education a reality. Our commitment is to assure that you receive the maximum federal, state, and Centenary financial aid for which you are eligible.



Every student is unique, so your actual cost of attendance will depend on your degree program and where you live (on campus, off campus, or at home). This one-on-one customized tuition plan is part of our Life Circumstances Admissions process.

Centenary University Financial Aid Office

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centu.org/f-aid23

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Freshman Admissions

At Centenary University, you will be much more than just another student. You will be a member of a tight-knit community of scholars. Our faculty, staff, and students are all fully invested in each other's academic and career success. We offer "big university" opportunities with a small-school philosophy that provides individualized attention for each and every student.

Transfer Admissions

We understand the needs and unique characteristics of all students who are making this transition. Our small, private school environment provides you with the tools needed to succeed. Enrollment Counselors at Centenary University will work with you throughout the entire admission process, from helping you complete your admission application to evaluating your transfer credits to helping you register for classes for your first semester! We want to help you transfer as many credits as possible toward your degree, and ensure you immediately feel like a part of our campus community.

Graduate Admissions

Are you ready to take your career to the next level? A graduate degree from Centenary University will expand your career opportunities and earning potential. We offer master's degrees and certifications in Business, Counseling, Education and Leadership and Public Administration as well as a doctorate degree in Education, a Leadership certificate and Education certifications. Classes can be built around your busy lifestyle. We offer traditional classroom programs at our main campus Hackettstown, as well as accelerated courses online, and in a blended online/in-person format.

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Information**

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a Visit**

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| 1. Edward W. Seay Administration Building | 19. University House |
| 2. Reeves Hall | 20. Wellness Center |
| 3. Smith Hall | 21. H.I.L.L.S. House |
| 4. Ferry Building | 22. Dalton House/Facilities |
| 5. Lotte Hall | 23. Security Office |
| 6. Van Winkle Hall | 24. Reeves Turf Field |
| 7. Trevor Hall | 25. Our Diamond of Dreams Baseball Field |
| 8. Brotherton Hall | 26. Tannery Field |
| 9. John M. Reeves Student Recreation Center | 27. Main Entrance - 715 Grand Ave. |
| 10. Taylor Memorial Library | |
| 11. Harris and Betts Smith Learning Center | PARKING |
| 12. Robert E. and Virginia N. Littell Technology Center | 28. Lackland Visitor |
| 13. Washabaugh Hall | 29. Anderson Faculty and Staff (<i>Decals required</i>) |
| 14. Anderson Hall | 30. Founders Student (<i>Decals required</i>) |
| 15. Bennett-Smith Hall | 31. Freshman Parking (<i>Decals required</i>) |
| 16. Founders Hall | 32. Executive Staff Parking |
| 17. David and Carol Lackland Center | 33. <i>Handicap Parking</i> |
| 18. President's House | |

Quality, Private & a Great VALUE

Centenary University is committed to working with you and your family to make a Centenary education affordable for you. So talk to us. We'll help you understand FAFSA, loans, grants, and scholarships. We'll work together to try to make the money part work.

You will be automatically reviewed for merit scholarships based on academic performance, without regard to financial need. These scholarships are not need-based and are awarded based on cumulative high school GPA for freshman applicants. If you have completed a GED or have less than 24 attempted post-high school transfer credits, you will

be considered for these scholarships. If you are a transfer applicant your scholarship will be awarded based primarily on cumulative college GPA, although other factors may be considered. **You will be notified of your award in your admissions packet.**

Each year, Centenary University awards approximately \$20 million in scholarships, grants, and awards to our traditional undergraduate students. Centenary does not require a separate application for financial aid, however you should complete your FAFSA as soon as possible to ensure that you receive all aid you are eligible for.

Complete your FAFSA: Studentaid.gov

CENTENARY'S SCHOOL CODE:

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Additional Help Paying for Centenary

- Federal Pell Grant
- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG)
- Federal Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Stafford Loans
- Federal Work Study Program
- New Jersey Tuition Aid Grant (TAG)
- New Jersey Educational Opportunity Grant (EOF)
- New Jersey STARS II
- New Jersey Governor's Urban Scholars Program
- Outside Scholarships
- Parent PLUS Loans
- Private Loans



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