

### - Campus Tidbits -

- Submit the 2019-2020 FAFSA – It became available on Oct. 1st. Apply early and complete all documents by March 1st.  
*Need help filling out your FAFSA?  
Visit a campus financial aid office.*
- Your campus financial aid office is available to help. Follow the link to find your specific campus:  
[Campus Financial Aid Offices](#)
- Need help, but can't get to the campus office...use our:  
[24 Hour Student Support Center](#)
- Check your [MyNOVA](#) portal regularly for information about your financial aid and other NOVA communications
- Know the upcoming important dates for classes - [Spring 2019](#)

### Follow Us on Social Media!



For more information check out our Financial Aid Blogs as well!



[NOVA Financial Aid Info](#)



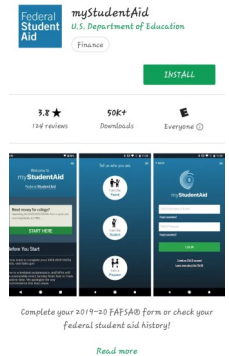
[NOVA Financial Literacy](#)



Available 24/7/365  
Or Call:  
1 855-323-3199  
or Ask Ace!

### - Important Financial Aid Updates -

**FAFSA Mobile App** - Filling out the FAFSA has never been easier. Use the mobile app to complete the process of filling out your application for financial aid right on your phone! To find out more details go to [studentaid.ed.gov](http://studentaid.ed.gov), or simply download the app from your mobile app store. The 2019-2020 FAFSA became available on Oct. 1, 2018; you will use your 2017 tax returns when filing. When you apply early, you have the greatest opportunity to be considered for all possible aid.



**Virtual Advising** - Campus Counseling Services are available online as well as on campus. You can speak with a [Virtual Advisor](#) online to get answers to many common questions or concerns. Carefully review the websites to find out what information can and can't be given through online advising.

Virtual Advising schedule:

- Monday through Friday, 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
- Monday through Thursday, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

### Satisfactory Academic Progress vs Academic Standing -

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) and Academic Standing are ways that the college measures a student's successful completion toward a program of study at NOVA. There are specific differences between them; it is important to know how these standings can impact your eligibility for aid or reenrollment.

**SAP** - Standards for progress must be maintained to remain eligible for all types of financial aid. To qualify for aid, students must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA, successfully complete at least 67% of the cumulative credits attempted, and complete the program of study before attempting 150% of the credits required for that program. For more details on this policy go to: [Satisfactory Academic Progress](#).

**Academic Standing** - Good academic standing is based on a minimum GPA of 2.00. When a student goes below a 2.00 GPA, the student can be placed on academic warning, suspension, or dismissal status, which can impact eligibility to reenroll for the next semester. For more details on this policy go to: [Academic Standing](#).

**NOVA-Mason ADVANCE** - [ADVANCE](#) is a great opportunity for students to obtain their bachelors' degrees from George Mason University in a timely manner and save money. Once accepted into the program, you will have personalized support from a Success Coach to complete the program. This ensures that if you follow the pathway, every credit you take at NOVA is aligned to transfer toward your selected degree. The goal of ADVANCE is to guide students to obtain an associate's degree from NOVA and a bachelor's degree from Mason. To be accepted into the program, the application process and the following requirements must be met:

- \* Minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA for students with college credit
- \* Enrolled in a NOVA associate's degree program
- \* Earned no more than 30 credit hours of applicable credit at the time of enrollment in ADVANCE

Find out more information about the program here →  
OR below:

[NOVA ADVANCE](#)

[GMU ADVANCE](#)

Contact a dedicated success coach today for more information!

[Request Information](#)

## - Scholarship Information -

### Children of Fallen Heroes Scholarship Act

The Children of Fallen Heroes Scholarship is awarded for those students who apply with a Pell-eligible EFC (Estimated Family Contribution), are less than 24 years of age, and whose parent or guardian died in the line of duty while the student was enrolled at a higher education institution. There are many more guidelines regarding this special scholarship at [FSA Children of Fallen Heroes Scholarship Act](#). The scholarship is intended to help the dependents of our brave men and women in public service. To apply, contact the [Financial Aid Office](#).

### Scholarship Opportunities for Students with Disabilities

Being disabled can be a challenge on many levels, but it doesn't mean you have to navigate college without support. NOVA offers many support services for students with disabilities. One of these services is to provide scholarship opportunities for its disabled student population. The link will take you to a list of scholarships that are available; many have application deadlines. Some have already passed, but that doesn't mean you can't apply for the scholarship the following academic year. This is only a small list of the opportunities that are available. Additional links are provided below to help you search for financial support to attend college. Remember, NEVER pay for a service that "promises" to get scholarships for you. This information is free and available; you just need to put in the effort.

◆ [Scholarship List for Disabled Students \(or students of disabled parents\)](#) - PDF format



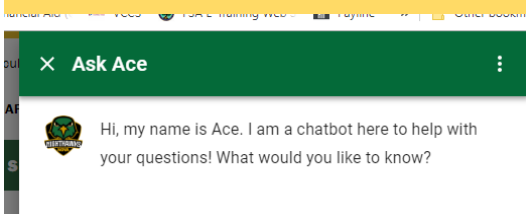
◆ online resource for scholarships - sign in for free to tailor your search



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◆ [NOVA online resource for scholarships](#) - sign up for free to narrow your search further (Please note, this list is updated as scholarship applications become available for the next academic year.)

### Ask Chatbot Ace!



Chatbot Ace is an intuitive program that can help answer your questions. Simply click on the red box 'Questions? Ask Ace' at the bottom of the web page and ask away!

[NOVA Financial Aid Website](#)

### Spring 2019 Bookstore Purchase Period

January 2, 2019 - January 29, 2019 (online and on campus)

March 2, 2019 - March 24, 2019 (for undisbursed aid)

Complete the Bookstore Authorization Form on your

[MyNOVA To-Do-List](#)

### Your MyNOVA Message Center

Confidentiality and protecting your information are priorities here at NOVA. The best way to communicate with students safely is through the Message Center and NOVA Student Email in your [MyNOVA portal](#). You should check this portal at least once a week, if not more, all year long. Many students miss information that can impact their enrollment or continued financial aid eligibility. Be in the know and check your MyNOVA portal often!

### NOVA Financial Aid Website

Anything and everything you could ever want to know is available on our website. Links to a multitude of support services, [tutorials](#), [FAQ](#), policies, [Financial Aid TV](#), and the steps for [applying for financial aid](#) are available. Be sure to visit the website at: [www.nvcc.edu/financialaid/](http://www.nvcc.edu/financialaid/)

### \*MARK YOUR CALENDAR\*

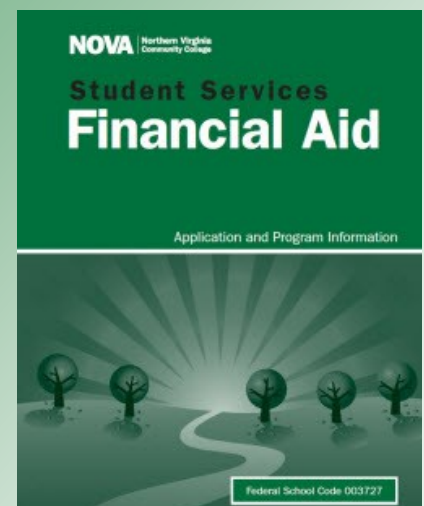
- Jan. 12 : 16-wk Session begins
- Jan. 12 : First 8-wk Session begins
- Jan. 26 : 14-week Session begins

Click link for more Spring 2019 Dates

[SPRING SEMESTER 2019](#)

### Financial Aid Handbook 2018-2019

For complete information on financial aid at NOVA click on the image below.



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