

Financial Aid Road Map

Incoming Students



APPLY FOR ADMISSION

APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID: SUBMIT FAFSA
Beginning October 1st

1. Complete FAFSA and use IRS Data Retrieval Tool to import your IRS tax information into the FAFSA
2. TAP application (NY State residents only)

RECEIVE FINANCIAL AID AWARD LETTER
Beginning January 1st

1. Submit updated ACT or SAT scores if desired, up to March 1st
2. Apply for outside scholarships
3. Submit Church Matching Scholarship Form by May 1st

MAKE YOUR COLLEGE DECISION

1. Confirm enrollment and deposit \$300 by May 1st
2. Set up Houghton College e-mail to receive important information

ENSURE AID IS IN PLACE

1. Federal Direct Loans: Complete Entrance Counseling & MPN
2. Verification Paperwork (if selected)

ELECTRONIC BILLING

1. Check Houghton email for eBilling account information; log in, view bill, and add shared access for parent (optional)
2. Accept or waive Houghton College health insurance
3. Options to help manage your bill:

Direct Payment – check or online
Nelnet Monthly Payment Plan
Parent PLUS Loan
Private/Alternative Loans
Outside Scholarships: submit award letters

4. Fall semester bill due August 7th

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