All applicants to NYU are automatically considered for merit based aid with the on-time submission of the admissions application; however, it is important to note that a majority of the undergraduate scholarships at NYU are based on a combination of need and merit and require filing all financial aid applications by our deadlines. Since the amount of scholarship a student receives in their first year is typically the amount they will continue to receive each year if they remain otherwise eligible, filing late can affect eligibility in future years.

Both the FAFSA and the CSS Profile are based on ‘Prior Prior Year’ tax data, increasing accuracy of awarding and allowing students and families to utilize taxes that they have already filed from two years prior. We strongly encourage the use of the FAFSA Data Retrieval Tool whenever possible. The Data Retrieval Tool allows students and parents to import their tax information into the FAFSA directly from the IRS. You do not need to send copies of taxes or W2 statements unless we specifically request them.

After applying for admission and financial aid, please be sure to frequently check the email address which you provided on your applications for any other requested information or important announcements.

**EARLY DECISION RECOMMENDED FAFSA FILING DATES**

*APPLICANTS WITH DIVORCED, SEPARATED, OR UNMARRIED PARENTS:* Applicants with divorced, separated or unmarried parents will need to have both parents submit their own separate CSS Profile applications. The deadline for the noncustodial parent is 5 days after the student deadline (November 20 for Early Decision I and January 20 for Early Decision II). Under certain circumstances, NYU will consider waiving the CSS Profile for the noncustodial parent the information cannot be obtained. The deadline to submit a CSS Profile Waiver Request for the Noncustodial Parent (available on the Applications and Forms section of the Office of Financial Aid website) is also 5 days after the student deadline (November 20 for Early Decision I and January 20 for Early Decision II). If your noncustodial parent is deceased, please fill out the CSS Profile Waiver Request for the Noncustodial Parent to indicate this.

**EARLY DECISION RECOMMENDED FILING DATE FOR FAFSA:** The FAFSA is required for federal financial aid and NYU scholarship consideration for all U.S. Citizens, Permanent Residents, and eligible non-citizens applying to our New York campus and/or to NYU Shanghai. Early Decision admitted students who file the FAFSA by the CSS Profile deadline will receive a financial aid package that includes federal financial aid eligibility at the time of admission. Those Early Decision admitted students who file and complete the FAFSA after the CSS Profile deadline will have their federal aid eligibility awarded upon receipt of the FAFSA. Early Decision admitted students must have their FAFSA submitted by February 15 to maintain any offered scholarship.

**TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR NEW YORK RESIDENTS:** After filing the FAFSA, a TAP application (NYU school code 0555) is required for all NY State residents eligible for federal financial aid who would like to be reviewed for TAP Grant for NYU New York.