# FINANCIAL AID FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS STARTING **SPRING 2022**

#### **Step 1:** File/Update <u>FAFSAs</u>

The 21-22 FAFSA is used for the Spring 2022 and Summer 2022 semesters, whereas the 22-23 FAFSA is used for the upcoming fall and following spring and summer semesters.

You may file the 22-23 FAFSA beginning October 1, 2021.

If you have already filed the 21-22 FAFSA as an undergraduate student, update the questions listed below and submit the updated FAFSA on November 1, 2021.

FAFSA Section	FAFSA Question	FAFSA Answer
Student Demographics	What will your grade level be when you begin the 2021-2022 school year?	1 <sup>st</sup> year graduate/professional
Student Demographics	What degree or certificate will you be working on when you begin the 2021-2022 school year?	Graduate or professional degree
Dependency Status	At the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year, will you be working on a master's or doctorate program (such as an MA, MBA, MD, JD, PhD, EdD, graduate certificate, etc.)?	Yes

#### **Step 2:** Submit <u>Summer Aid Application</u>

Summer Aid Applications are available beginning in <u>December</u> (S1 at aurora.edu/forms2021).

## **Step 3:** Complete Required <u>Paperwork</u>

Check WebAdvisor to view your award letters, when notified via AU email. Submit requested items listed in "My Documents" to the Office of Financial Aid. Make sure to complete requests for ALL fall/spring and summer semesters attending.

### Financial Aid Eligibility

- No grants available
- Annual Federal Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loan Limit is \$20,500
  - o If you borrowed \$5,000 as an undergraduate student during the fall semester, you could have up to \$15,500 left for the following spring and summer semesters (\$20,500 \$5,000 = \$15,500) depending on your Cost of Attendance
- If additional aid is needed, you can apply for the Graduate PLUS Loan, which is based on credit, at studentaid.gov or inquire with the Office of Financial Aid for other options

## **Questions?**

Contact the Office of Financial Aid at 630-844-6190 or finaid@aurora.edu.