2024-2025

## Guide to Financing & Financial Aid





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**UNDERSTANDING YOUR FINANCIAL AID** 

MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS



### I have questions about financial aid, who do I contact?

Emmanuel is committed to affordability and helping you navigate paying for school. Please know we are here to help and have a team of student financial services counselors ready to answer any of your questions or concerns. Please see page 14 of this guide for our contact information.



#### UNDERSTANDING YOUR FINANCIAL AID

#### MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

Merit scholarships are determined at the time of admission. Scholarships such as the Presidential, Dean's and Academic Achievement are based on your academic accomplishments. Other non-need-based awards, such as the Saints Community Award and the City of Boston Scholarship, may be offered to recognize the wide variety of ways in which we believe a student will be a valuable addition to the Emmanuel community.

#### **NEED-BASED FINANCIAL AID**

To be considered for need-based financial aid, you must complete the 2024-2025 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Below are some types of aid that may be included in your financial aid letter.

#### **NEED-BASED GRANTS**

Financial aid that does not need to be repaid. Need-based grants include federal, state and Emmanuel-funded grants such as the Federal Pell Grant, MASSGrant, and Emmanuel Grant.

#### FEDERAL DIRECT LOANS

Low-interest federal student loans that do not require a credit check or cosigner. Repayment does not begin until after graduation, provided you are enrolled at least half-time each semester. The amount on your financial aid letter will reflect the amount you can borrow for the 2024-2025 academic year. For detailed information, please visit <a href="https://www.studentaid.gov/loans">www.studentaid.gov/loans</a>.

#### **ACCEPTING YOUR FINANCIAL AID**

To accept most types of aid simply submit your enrollment form and deposit to Emmanuel by May 1, 2024. Federal student loans and the Federal TEACH Grant require additional steps; for further details please see www.studentaid.gov.

For terms and conditions of non-need-based and need-based aid, including renewal policies, please see page 17 of this guide.

## How do I determine my cost to attend Emmanuel after financial aid?

We recognize that attending college comes at a cost to your family—and that cost can be an influential factor in your college decision. Emmanuel's estimated costs are listed on the right side of this page. Subtracting the financial aid listed on your financial aid letter, excluding Federal Work-Study, from these costs will give you a good estimate of your net cost. We strive to assist you in making as educated a decision as possible so that you can realize all the advantages available to you as an Emmanuel student.



#### **ESTIMATING YOUR COST**

While each semester is billed separately, it's best to plan ahead and budget for the entire academic year in advance. Below are the costs for the 2024-2025 academic year.

#### **DIRECT COSTS**

| Total estimated charges for the year:   | \$67,370 | \$49,090 |
|---|----------|----------|
| Health and Wellness Fee                 | \$300    | \$300    |
| Student Activity Fee                    | \$326    | \$326    |
| Orientation Fee                         | \$400    | \$400    |
| Housing and Food (standard double room) | \$18,280 | n/a      |
| Tuition                                 | \$48,064 | \$48,064 |
|   | Resident | Commuter |

Course Fees: \$85–\$300 for science labs and art studio courses Nursing Program Fee: \$775 per semester

All students are required to have health insurance coverage; students without health insurance may purchase the College's plan with Blue Cross Blue Shield at an estimated annual cost of \$4,000.

#### **INDIRECT COSTS**

Students may want to plan for indirect expenses such as transportation, personal expenses, and books and supplies. Although the amounts may vary, below are some annual estimates to help with your planning.

Transportation: \$450Personal Expenses: \$1,350Books and Supplies: \$1,000\*

\*This may vary depending on program of study and method of purchase. The Emmanuel College Bookstore is a great resource for finding the most cost-effective way to access needed course materials. In addition to new and used books, e-books, and book rentals may be available.

What are the options for paying the net cost after financial aid?

There is no one "right way" to pay for education. Some families pay each semester in full, some use a monthly payment plan, and others use loans to spread the cost over a longer period of time. Many Emmanuel students and their families find that a combination of the methods shown on the following pages work best for them.



## PLANNING FOR PAYMENT & FINANCING OPTIONS

Once course registration and housing assignments are complete, the tuition bill is made available online via EC Online Services. Students may access EC Online Services directly at **ecss.emmanuel.edu/student** or from the Current Students page of the Emmanuel College website.

The fall semester tuition bill is available in early July and due in early August. The spring semester tuition bill is available in early December and due in early January. The net cost after scholarships and financial aid may be made from one or a combination of payment methods.

#### **PAYMENT OPTIONS**

#### PAYMENT METHODS

- ACH
- Credit or debit card
- College savings plans
- Wire transfer

#### INTEREST-FREE MONTHLY PAYMENT PLAN

 The monthly payment plan allows you to spread the cost for each semester over five payments. The fall semester plan begins in July and the spring semester plan begins in December. Eligible students may enroll in the payment plan through EC Online Services once the tuition bill is available.

# How do I prepare for my job or internship search?

Career readiness is an integral aspect of the Emmanuel experience. The McCafferty Career Center supports and guides students in realizing their career aspirations while educating and empowering them to take an active role in their professional development.

Students begin their first year with a required course on career planning and development, in which they will develop a greater understanding of themselves and how to promote their positive attributes to an employer.

Learn more about how the College supports students during their undergraduate experience and beyond at careercenter.emmanuel.edu.



## PLANNING FOR PAYMENT & FINANCING OPTIONS

#### FINANCING OPTIONS

#### PARENT LOANS

- Federal Direct PLUS Loan: A federal loan program through which
  parents who pass a basic credit check may borrow up to the cost of
  attendance minus financial aid. For more details, visit
  www.studentaid.gov/loans.
- Private Parent Loans: Education loans for parents offered by major banks, credit unions, and other financial authorities. Eligibility criteria vary across lenders, but typically credit score and income are considered. For more details, visit www.elmselect.com.

#### PRIVATE STUDENT LOANS

• In addition to the Federal Direct Loans, there are many private lenders for student loans. Many lenders require a cosigner. For both parent and student loans, we encourage students and their families to consider the loan features that are most important to them. Visit www.elmselect.com for additional resources.

#### STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

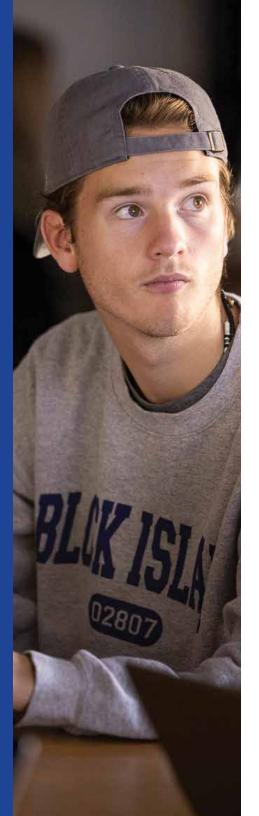
Emmanuel offers a robust on-campus student employment program and our location in the heart of Boston's thriving Fenway neighborhood is also ideal for off-campus student employment. While Federal Work-Study (FWS) is not required to work on campus, students that are eligible for FWS have the award included on their financial aid letter. FWS is not a guarantee of employment and is not deducted from the tuition bill. FWS funds are earned for hours worked and paid directly to the student. Students may begin applying for on-campus jobs in July; access and an introduction to the College's HireSaints job system is provided to students at Orientation.

# Are there additional financial aid opportunities?

Beyond the financial aid in your letter, there are many additional sources of funding. Some are broadly available (private scholarships) and some are for students who meet very specific or unique requirements.



Emmanuel offers a 5% tuition discount to siblings enrolled concurrently in the traditional undergraduate program.



## EXPLORING ADDITIONAL AID OPPORTUNITIES

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR FIRST YEAR**

#### PRIVATE SCHOLARSHIPS

Many scholarships are available from sources other than Emmanuel or federal and state governments. To apply a private scholarship to your tuition bill, simply email a copy of the letter to the Office of Student Financial Services; we will credit your bill even before the funds arrive from the scholarship provider. For more information on how to find private scholarships, visit www.emmanuel.edu/privatescholarships.

#### **TEACH GRANT**

The Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant is a federal grant of up to \$4,000 awarded annually to students intending to teach in a TEACH-approved field. For a list of service requirements and more information, please visit **www.studentaid.gov/teach**. If you are interested in receiving this grant, please contact our office.

#### **VETERANS EDUCATION BENEFITS**

A wide range of education benefits are available to veterans and their dependents through the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). We encourage veterans to visit **www.va.gov** for detailed information on eligibility, how to apply, and obtaining a Certificate of Eligibility (COE). Emmanuel College is a proud participant in the Yellow Ribbon Program.

#### TUITION EXCHANGE SCHOLARSHIP

Emmanuel College participates in the Tuition Exchange Program, an employee benefit program for parents who are employed at a participating college or university. The Tuition Exchange Program at Emmanuel is highly competitive. For the 2024-2025 academic year, the scholarship is \$42,000. To be considered for the scholarship, the student must have a completed admission application, and the parent must complete the Tuition Exchange Application with their Human Resources Office on or before February 15, 2024. For more information, visit www.tuitionexchange.org.

# What can I do with the SELF Scholarship?

SELF Scholarships can help defray costs (up to \$2500) for one of the following experiences:

- Stipend for an unpaid internship, on-campus housing for summer internship
- Faculty-led travel course or other study abroad experience
- Travel for service-learning (Alternative Spring Break, DEI Social Justice trip)
- Research-related stipends, conference travel or oncampus summer housing
- Travel for co-curricular programs such as Model UN
- Tuition for summer course or graduate course as part of the College's early-entry program



#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR FUTURE YEARS**

SAINTS ENRICHMENT LEARNING FOR YOUR FUTURE Saints Enrichment Learning for your Future (SELF) opportunities aim to immerse students in discovery-oriented learning experiences, integrating classroom knowledge with hands-on engagement. SELF Scholarships support student engagement in research, travel, creative pursuits, internships and service, with one-time support of up to \$2,500 for an approved experience. To obtain this scholarship, students must be enrolled full time, be in good academic standing, and have completed 48 credits at Emmanuel (32 credits for transfers).

#### EMMANUEL COLLEGE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS

These are scholarships for currently enrolled students funded by alumni and friends of the College. Scholarships are awarded according to criteria established by the individual donor, including but not limited to academic performance, service and/or leadership accomplishments, community affiliation, and financial need. The application for the upcoming academic year's scholarships becomes available each December and is due in February.

#### RESIDENT ASSISTANT SCHOLARSHIP

Students selected as Resident Assistants (RA) receive a scholarship for 75% of their housing and food charges in their first year as an RA and for 100% of housing and food charges for subsequent years of service. Sophomores, juniors and seniors may apply.

## How do I contact the Office of Student Financial Services?

Phone:

617-735-9938

Email:

financialservices@emmanuel.edu

In Person:

Eisner Administration Building,

Room 341

Office hours:

Monday-Friday:

8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

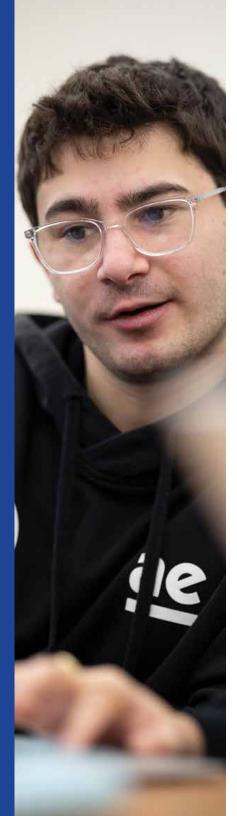
#### Mailing Address:

**Emmanuel College** 

Office of Student Financial Services

400 The Fenway

Boston, MA 02115



## KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES

At Emmanuel, we pride ourselves on being a personal college. We know that every family's situation is different, and the dedicated counselors in the Office of Student Financial Services are here to help you determine the right plan to make an Emmanuel education affordable for you.

We can help with:

- Applying for financial aid
- Understanding your financial aid eligibility
- Learning more about payment options
- Questions about the tuition bill
- Knowing how and when to re-apply for financial aid
- Exploring ways to minimize the cost of your Emmanuel education

We look forward to working with you and your family!

## Helpful Websites

#### **EMMANUEL WEBSITE**

#### www.emmanuel.edu/admissions-aid

For more information on:

- Tuition & Fees
- Cost of Attendance
- Financial Aid
- Private Scholarships
- Student Consumer Information

#### **FEDERAL WEBSITES**

A FAFSA application is required to be considered for need-based financial aid. To submit your application, visit: fafsa.gov

For more information regarding Federal Direct Loans and to complete the documents (Master Promissory Note [MPN] and Entrance Counseling) required to accept your Federal Direct Loans, visit:

www.studentaid.gov/loans

For more information on the federal TEACH Grant, visit:

www.studentaid.gov/teach

#### STATE AID WEBSITES

In addition to Massachusetts, Vermont and Pennsylvania offer need-based grants for state residents attending colleges in Massachusetts. For information on state scholarships and deadlines, visit:

Massachusetts:

www.mass.edu/osfa

Vermont:

www.vsac.org

Pennsylvania:

www.pheaa.org

#### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

For more information on private student or parent loans and to research potential lenders, visit:

www.elmselect.com

MONTHLY
PAYMENT PLAN

www.emmanuel.edu/ paymentoptions

## Terms and Conditions for Financial Aid

#### ELIGIBILITY

Your financial aid is based upon the information you supplied through the 2024-2025 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Some students will see the word "estimated" noted at the top of their financial aid letter. This indicates your FAFSA was selected for a process known as Verification, in which colleges are required to confirm certain information on the FAFSA through supplemental documentation before finalizing your financial aid. If significant discrepancies are found as a result of verification, your financial aid eligibility may change.

Any change to your enrollment status or campus residency status must be reported to the Office of Student Financial Services (OSFS). Changes may result in an adjustment to your financial aid.

If you receive outside financial assistance not included on your financial aid letter, such as a private scholarship or veterans education benefits, you must report this to the OSFS. Assistance from outside sources does not typically impact financial aid unless it exceeds the student's demonstrated financial need or the cost of attendance.

#### **RENEWABILITY**

The renewal requirements for merit scholarships and non-need-based financial aid are outlined on the scholarship letter provided with your admission acceptance letter and published in the College's Academic Catalog. Merit scholarships with a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) requirement are reviewed at the end of each academic year. Recipients who do not meet the required GPA are provided an additional probationary semester to meet the requirement. Students may receive their Emmanuel funded non-need-based financial aid for up to eight semesters with full-time enrollment. Students who become ineligible for non-need-based financial aid are still considered for need-based financial aid.

Need-based financial aid is awarded for one academic year at a time and contingent on the completion of the FAFSA each year. Students must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) according to the terms of the College's policies as outlined in the Academic Catalog located at www.emmanuel.edu/catalog.

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## YOU HAVE DECIDED TO ENROLL AT EMMANUEL... What happens next?

#### By May 1



Submit your deposit and enrollment form at www.emmanuel.edu/accepted.

After enrolling, you'll receive an e-mail with instructions for accessing the student portal **EC Online Services** and your new @emmanuel.edu e-mail account. Check your Emmanuel e-mail account frequently for important notices and updates.

#### **After May 1**

Attend New Student Orientation.

Check the Financial Aid Section of EC Online Services to see if you have any missing or incomplete financial documents. If you are accepting your Federal Direct Subsidized and/or Unsubsidized Loan, you must complete the loan requirements.

View the fall tuition bill online and review payment options. If you are planning to borrow a private student or parent loan, we recommend applying for the annual amount that is needed. For more information review www.emmanuel.edu/paymentoptions.

To enroll in or waive enrollment in the College's student health insurance program, go to www.universityhealthplans.com.

Submit the Immunization & Health Form required by Student Health Services to healthservices@emmanuel.edu.

