

StudentAid BC Checklist & Timeline

Fulltime (Weekday) Newly Enrolled
Students (Winter 2026) in the
BC Master of Counselling Program

Themes



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Financial Assistance Options



Federal & Provincial Funding

- ✓ Familiarize yourself with an [Academic Calendar](#)
- ✓ Refer to CityU's [Pocketbooks](#) under Financial Aid Resources



Scholarships

- ✓ CityU Need-Based Scholarships for non-Indigenous Students
- ✓ CityU Indigenous Scholarships



Monthly Payment Plan

- ✓ 3 Monthly Payments per Quarter
- ✓ \$25 Adm Fee/QTR

Contact the Business Office at lijane@cityu.edu for more details



Additional Financial Assistance Options

- ✓ **Sponsorship:** 3rd Party Covering your Tuition Costs.
- ✓ [Lifelong Learning Plan](#) (LLP)
- ✓ Student Lines of Credit

Contact FinAidCanada@cityu.edu or (604) 359 1837 for any questions/ concerns

Reach out to your Advisor to obtain a Confirmation of Enrollment Letter

StudentAid BC Eligibility

	Vancouver Campus	Victoria Campus	Virtual Campus (**)
Full-time (Weekday) Cohort	✓	N/A (*)	✗
Part-Time (Mixed-Mode) Cohort	✓	✓	✗
Part-Time (Saturday) Cohort	✓	✓	N/A
Weekend Cohort	N/A	N/A	✗

(*) Full-time funding at the Victoria campus is available only for students with disabilities.

(**) Students in the Virtual Campus are following the MC Alberta curriculum, which is based in Calgary, AB. As a result, they are not eligible for StudentAid BC funding.

N/A: not offered in this location



BC Residency (Independent Students) for StudentAid BC



Case 1:

- Last lived in B.C. for 12 continuous months (before study start date)
- Months of full-time study don't count toward the 12 months

Case 2:

- Independent permanent resident or protected person
- Currently living in B.C. at the time of application
- Will spend study period in B.C.
- Have not lived in any one province for 12 continuous months

If your situation is unique, check the official StudentAid BC website or reach out to their office for clarification.



Definition of Full-Time MC Student for StudentAid BC Applicants

- ✓ Enrolled in the
Weekday Program
- ✓ Taking 12 – 16
Credits/ Quarter
(Term) in Year 1 (*)

(*) To apply for a Disability Verification Program, you must have an [Appendix 8](#) approved by StudentAid BC to confirm your disability status.

Financial Aid Application Submission Deadline & Cost Information



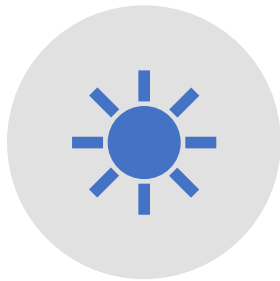
1st Application

Start & End Date:

Jan 1 - Jun 30

(Winter & Spring Quarters):

Submit by **Apr 30**



2nd Application

Start & End Date:

Jul 1 – Dec 31

(Summer & Fall Quarters):

Submit by **Oct 31**



Tuition (*)

• \$19,200 (30 Credits) for the first six months

Program Related costs/ Book & Supplies Costs

• \$1,600 (8 Courses)

School Fees/ Mandatory Fees

• \$770

The Financial Aid Office expects to receive Complete Applications **2-3 months before the course start date.**

(*) This rate is valid until June 30, 2026, and is subject to change.

Required Documents

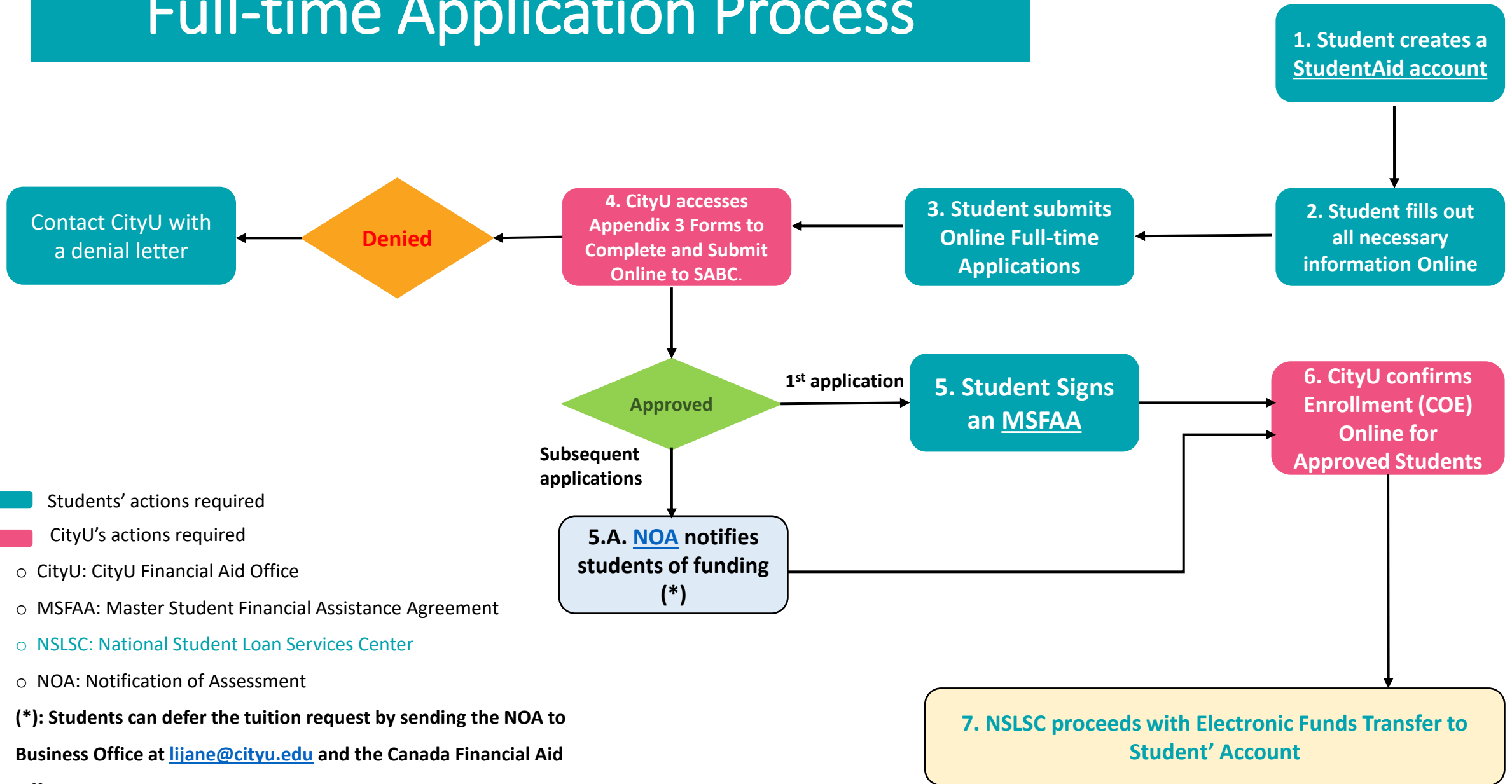
- ✓ **Completed Application Form**
- ✓ **Previous year's Total Income- Line 15000 from your CRA Tax Return or all of your T4's for the year.**
- ✓ **Social Insurance Number (SIN)**
- ✓ **Banking Information**
- ✓ **Proof of BC Residency (BC Service Card, Utility bill, etc.)**
- ✓ **Additional Documents (if required)**

- Except for an Appendix 8 requiring CityU's fulfillment, all other documents will be prepared by students themselves to submit/attach online
- Students with disabilities may also complete an -Appendix 8 with a doctor's note, if applicable.



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for all**

Full-time Application Process



Application Details



How Frequently?

- ✓ Every Six Months during the First Year of the program.
- ✓ 12 Months for Year 2 of the program.



When Should you Apply?

2-3 Months Prior to the Course Start Date.



How to submit?

- ✓ Apply Online
- ✓ Inform CityU about the Application Process.



References

- ✓ [Academic Program Calendar](#)
- ✓ [StudentAid BC](#)
- ✓ [CityU in Canada Financial Aid](#)

NOTE:

- ✓ Students can **defer the tuition payment** while waiting for loans by sending the Notification of Assessment (Award Letter) to the Business Office at lijane@cityu.edu and copy the Canada Financial Aid Office
- ✓ CityU will **NOT** request a direct deposit from Student Aid. Students will receive all funding to their bank account
- ✓ Not all students are eligible to receive the maximum funding limit. Refer to [here](#).



The CityU's Financial Aid Office is here to support you every step of the way—don't hesitate to reach out with any questions. Best of luck in your studies and in securing the funding you need!

Contact the CityU in Canada Financial Aid Team:

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